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Note from Pastor: Please feel free to ask questions don't be too shy to inquire, before, during, after class or contact us through the web through our YouTube page or email at www.4176sbaptist@gmail.com.

- All questions are welcomed and encouraged.
- Questions can make the teacher better able to communicate and give us a better sense in the application of the Word in our walk with GOD.

(John 8:32) And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

Pastor's Comments:

- Reading, praying and meditating are helpful in living for Christ Jesus.
- The bible has both literal and spiritual meaning and application; don't over spiritualize taking it out of context.
- Carefully and critically listen to any person standing before you to teach the Word of God.
- Don't use your experience as the standard instead take it and let the Word of God be the arbitrator.
- "New birth" means partnership with the Holy Spirit.
- Weigh things on God's scale; His is never unbalanced.
- (Ephesians 5:15) See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise,
- (1 Peter 5:7) Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.
- (Matthew 11:30) For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.



Study in the Gospel of Matthew:

The **Gospel of Matthew** is not the first Gospel although it's placed so in the bible; the **Gospel of Mark** believed by biblical scholars to be the 1st Gospel.

Genealogy in Scripture are stages for development of the coming of the **Messiah**.

• Read the book of Ruth; Chp. 4 (Boaz's genealogy ending at King David; Matthew takes up where Ruth leaves off).

Theme: The genealogy of Jesus Christ the Gospel of the Kingdom; The coming of Jesus Christ.

Highlights: The **Messianic** message that through Abraham his descendants all the families on earth would be blessed.

Review:

- Gospel of Matthew, Apostle/Disciple, a tax collector (earthly job) before Jesus comes by and turns him around.
- Gospel was written primarily for a Jewish audience, however with a broader purpose for the world - to come to a fuller knowledge of Jesus, the Son of God who gave Himself for the sins of the world.

The Beatitudes:

- (Matthew 5:1) And seeing the multitudes, he went up into a mountain: and when he was set, his disciples came unto him:
 - Jesus healed a vast number of people that came seeking healing, this was making Him famous; it also raised up in them the fact that Jesus was identifying Himself though His workswhich said "I Am the Messiah"; all knew it but some chose themselves over what they were taught in the Torah.
 - Carnal Christians follow Christ partially; don't allow this thinking to be a strength for weakness in your life; don't grieve the Holy Spirit (thereby grieving God!)
- (Matthew 5:3) Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.



- Jesus is speaking in present tense, current condition of the individual.
- o This for those who realize their spiritual poverty (poor in spirit).
- o Who do you get your identity from?
- Once you are "born again", becoming a true follower of Jesus Christ, no one can steal your identity.
- o (John 10:10) The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.
- Present tense announcement; poor in spirit without the richness of God in your life; wealthy in God, fullness of the Holy Ghost. Check yourself!
- (Matthew 5:4) Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.
 - God is the God of all comfort, all things. The surety of the blessing..God will see you thru it.
- (Matthew 5:5) Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.
 - o (Read Rev.) John said he saw a new heaven and a new earth.
 - Meekness is strength under control.
- (Matthew 5:6) Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.
 - o Know what righteousness really is, having an appetite for it.
 - Someone has to teach you righteousness, you must have an appetite, thirst and hunger after it. It has every aspect of what it is to live.
 - The Word of God is for the fullness of our relationship with God. The Holy Spirit brings the life of scripture in us, the book doesn't make the devil flee it is Jesus in you; power and victory.
- (Matthew 5:7) Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.
 - o Evident that they are merciful; God will show mercy.
 - Mercy of **God** is extended to sinner and saint. Don't be envious of the wicked. Guard where you put your dependence.
 - Don't seek to be independent of God, not needing Him!
 - That which is promised hasn't been fulfilled yet, but it will be when we are in our glorified bodies; a righteous body.

(Matthew 5:8) Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.

o These are conditions that are in the present; a wounded heart.



- (Acts 13:22) And when he had removed him, he raised up unto them David to be their king; to whom also he gave testimony, and said, I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after mine own heart, which shall fulfil all my will.
 - Every child of God can look for the mercy of God in every situation.
 - The grace of God is given without merit, we do not deserve it;
 God will bring you out every time.
- (Matthew 5:9) Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.
 - Jesus said that these are things you recognized; need peacemaker where peace needs to be.
 - o **Jesus** is the **King** of peace. You are of **Him** as a peacemaker.
- (Matthew 5:10) Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
 - o If you are persecuted for righteousness' sake you are already a citizen of heaven.
- (Matthew 5:11) Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake.
- (Matthew 5:12) Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.
 - Jesus promised that the cost of discipleship will be offset by the enormity of the reward the disciple enjoys in heaven.

Chp. 5: Believers are Salt and Light

(Matthew 5:13) Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.

- If you fall in line with the **beatitudes**, you are the salt of the earth.
- Jews were to be a light unto the Gentiles; seasoning the earth.
- What gives salt its flavor? God gives your life flavor. Are you salty?
- **Sanctification** is a process, going thru right now for that great day.
- Those that reject the flavoring of the Spirit of the God; which is salvation & redemption the seasoning provide for that which had no flavor; sinful living.
- For **God** I live and for **God** I die.



(Matthew 5:14) Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid.

Don't hide Christ behind your carnality.

(Matthew 5:15) Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house.

- A disciple should not conceal his righteousness or the **"good news"** of the gospel message; **Christ's** ministry is intended for **all** people.
- No one lights a light to puts it under, covers it or holds it down.
- God never makes a mistake about who He lights up.
- **Jesus** is the **Light** and we are a light; we reflect **Him**, our glow is the LORD...**He** lights it and puts on a prominent place, the lampstand.
- Your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit.
- All who come within the parameters of the **Light**, it illuminates them out of darkness. Gives light to all in the house.

(Matthew 5:16) Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

- Let your light shine like this; put it on its proper place; a lampstand.
- The **Light** is the **LORD**. We can live this just like He said.
- Jesus taught that only the Father in heaven is to be praised for a
 disciple's good works, He is the source of such works.
- God imparts a divine gift of righteousness to Jesus' followers.