

Outline: A Study in the Book of



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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.***
- ***Glorify God not men!***
- ***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.***
- ***Pray your coming to study the Word of God will not be in vain but be fruitful and beneficial to equip you in the Lord.***



Study in the Gospel of Matthew:

Study in the Book of Matthew verse by verse is helpful for clarity.

Review: Pastor's comments

(Matthew 12:24) But when the Pharisees heard it, they said, This fellow doth not cast out devils, but by Beelzebub the prince of the devils.

(Matthew 12:25) And Jesus knew their thoughts, and said unto them, Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and every city or house divided against itself shall not stand:

(Matthew 12:31) Wherefore I say unto you, All manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto men: but the blasphemy against the Holy Ghost shall not be forgiven unto men.

- What is in this conversation is **Jesus** saying Satan was too smart to undermine his own kingdom.
- **Jesus** cast out demons by the **Spirit of God** and by refuting this and attributing **His** power to Satan, they were guilty of blasphemy against the **Holy Spirit** in who **Jesus** worked the miracles.
- The speculation on Pastor's part:
 - In theology you take what the bible teaches and come up with a conclusion:
 - What you cannot be forgiven of is refusing redemption that is offered by the **Holy Spirit** through **Jesus Christ**, nothing anyone can do if redemption is refused, you will not be forgiven of your sins and you are going to hell. That is the power of the **Holy Ghost**.
 - To take what **God** has done showing that **Jesus'** life, **His** death and suffering for our sins so we might become the righteousness of **God**.
 - **His, Jesus'** substitutionary death on the cross and this refusal you cannot be forgiven.
 - That is the **Spirit**, the power of the **Holy Spirit, Jesus and God which are in fact** inter- changeable.
 - Blasphemy has to do with what you say, what you speak.

(Matthew 12:33) Either make the tree good, and his fruit good; or else make the tree corrupt, and his fruit corrupt: for the tree is known by his fruit.

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- There is no in-between, you are either with **Jesus** or not.

(Matthew 12:34) O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.

(Matthew 12:35) A good man out of the good treasure of the heart bringeth forth good things: and an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth evil things.

(Matthew 12:36) But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment.

(Matthew 12:37) For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned.

- **Jesus** talks about how they are speaking about the **Holy Spirit**.
- Even if the devil calls something good where do you speak from?
- They continued to speak this way even after seeing what **Jesus** had done before, just as they had spoken evil about John the Baptist.
- You will speak out of the abundance of your heart. How have you changed since **God** has drawn you closer to **Him**?
- The world teaches you to satisfy yourself, to go get yours.
- (Psalms 101:7) He that worketh deceit shall not dwell within my house: he that telleth lies shall not tarry in my sight.
- **God** requires us to be holy out the abundance of your heart.
- Good tree or bad you will produce out of it.
- **Jesus** offers the opportunity to do better.

(Matthew 12:38) Then certain of the scribes and of the Pharisees answered, saying, Master, we would see a sign from thee.

(Matthew 12:39) But he answered and said unto them, An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas:

(Matthew 12:40) For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.

(Matthew 12:41) The men of Nineveh shall rise in judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: because they repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater than Jonas is here.

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- The identity of **Christ** is being revealed, who **He** really is, however they did not believe **Him**; we walk by faith not by sight.
- Abraham is the father of the faithful believing by faith not by signs.
- No sign sticks, miracle after miracle doesn't change your heart; you must believe on **Jesus Christ** by faith alone.
- **God** had prepared a fish for Jonah, knowing **God** he decides what he wants to do until he professes who **God** is during a terrible storm.
- His preaching caused the Ninevites to repent and to seek the truth.
- Emotions, events or signs doesn't really change a person.
- After believing on the resurrection, our opportunity after having the **Holy Ghost** comes upon you giving you the power to witness; no power no witnessing.

(Matthew 12:42) The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for she came from the uttermost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon is here.

- Solomon being great in the hands of men although he committed many offenses of the Law.

(Matthew 12:43) When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest, and findeth none.

(Matthew 12:44) Then he saith, I will return into my house from whence I came out; and when he is come, he findeth it empty, swept, and garnished.

(Matthew 12:45) Then goeth he, and taketh with himself seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in and dwell there: and the last state of that man is worse than the first. Even so shall it be also unto this wicked generation.

- **Jesus** teaches unclean spirit leaves a man and searches for a place.
- The reality of a spirit realm, it wants a place to stay and it is within a human being to rule and will return with company to a familiar place.
- Has **God** cleaned your house, your mind, spirit and heart?
- Weakness is a part of the sin condition; did you not know that your body is the temple of **God**?
- The sin is not being tempted but giving in to the daily temptations.
- Don't be overcome trust **Jesus**.
- **Christ** came to cast out the evil spirits in man; the house is cleaned by the **One** who is stronger, offering cleanness to a house filled with

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evil.

- (Romans 10:9) That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

(Matthew 12:46) While he yet talked to the people, behold, his mother and his brethren stood without, desiring to speak with him.

(Matthew 12:47) Then one said unto him, Behold, thy mother and thy brethren stand without, desiring to speak with thee.

(Matthew 12:48) But he answered and said unto him that told him, Who is my mother? and who are my brethren?

(Matthew 12:49) And he stretched forth his hand toward his disciples, and said, Behold my mother and my brethren!

(Matthew 12:50) For whosoever shall do the will of my Father which is in heaven, the same is my brother, and sister, and mother.

- Who is your brother? Does the church believe that?
- **Jesus** uses this to explain the preeminence of the spiritual family.
- Who is our family? It is those who are saved and who love the **Lord**.
- (Galatians 3:6) Even as Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness.
- (Galatians 3:7) Know ye therefore that they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham.
- (Galatians 3:9) So then they which be of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham.
- Abraham is my father!