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# MATTHEW

|                          | <b>Announcement and Arrival of the King</b><br><b>Main Emphasis:</b><br>His Credentials<br>Birth<br>Baptism<br>Temptation<br><br><b>CHAPTERS</b><br>1-4 | <b>Proclamation and Reception of the King</b><br><b>Main Emphasis:</b><br>His Message<br>Sermon on the Mount<br>Miracles<br>Discourses<br>Parables<br><br><b>CHAPTERS</b><br>5-15 | <b>Opposition and Rejection of the King</b><br><b>Main Emphasis:</b><br>His Suffering and Death<br>Spread of opposition<br>Preparation of disciples<br>Final predictions<br>Crucifixion<br><br><b>CHAPTERS</b><br>16-27 | <b>Resurrection and Triumph of the King</b><br><b>Main Emphasis:</b><br>His Conquest<br>God's power<br>Great Commission<br><br><b>CHAPTER</b><br>28 |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>The King</b>          | His identity: Israel's promised King                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                   | His destiny: "Crucify Him!"                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Scope</b>             | Teaching the vast multitudes                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                   | Teaching the Twelve                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Location</b>          | Bethlehem and Nazareth                                                                                                                                  | Ministry in Galilee                                                                                                                                                               | Ministry in Judea                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>People's Reaction</b> | Increased popularity                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                   | Increased hostility                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Theme</b>             | Jesus is the King, Israel's long-awaited Messiah.                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Key Verses</b>        | 16:16-19; 28:18-20                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Christ in Matthew</b> | Jesus, the Messiah, fulfills the prophecies, promises, types, and expectations of the Old Testament Scriptures (16:16-19; 28:18-20).                    |                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                     |

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Matthew 15:25-28 <sup>25</sup> But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." <sup>26</sup> And he answered, "**It is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs.**" <sup>27</sup> She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." <sup>28</sup> Then Jesus answered her, "**O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire.**" And her daughter was healed instantly.

How do you respond when God is silent to your prayers?

What is impressive about this woman?

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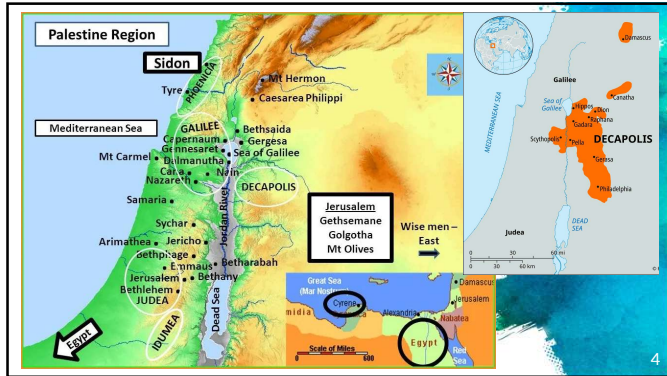
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Matthew 15:29-31 <sup>29</sup> Jesus went on from there and walked beside the Sea of Galilee. And he went up on the mountain and sat down there. <sup>30</sup> And great crowds came to him, bringing with them the lame, the blind, the crippled, the mute, and many others, and they put them at his feet, and he healed them, <sup>31</sup> so that the crowd wondered, when they saw the mute speaking, the crippled healthy, the lame walking, and the blind seeing. And they glorified the God of Israel.

To what region did Jesus go after this this?

What is happening in this passage?

What can we learn from these people carrying people to Jesus on the mountain?

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Matthew 15:32-34 <sup>32</sup> Then Jesus called his disciples to him and said, "I have compassion on the crowd because they have been with me now three days and have nothing to eat. And I am unwilling to send them away hungry, lest they faint on the way." <sup>33</sup> And the disciples said to him, "Where are we to get enough bread in such a desolate place to feed so great a crowd?" <sup>34</sup> And Jesus said to them, "How many loaves do you have?" They said, "Seven, and a few small fish."

What is remarkable about the disciple's response?

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**Matthew 15:35-39** <sup>35</sup> And directing the crowd to sit down on the ground, <sup>36</sup> he took the seven loaves and the fish, and having given thanks he broke them and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. <sup>37</sup> And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up seven baskets full of the broken pieces left over. <sup>38</sup> Those who ate were four thousand men, besides women and children. <sup>39</sup> And after sending away the crowds, he got into the boat and went to the region of Magadan.

Is this the same event as the feeding of the 5000 but with different count?

Is the reason behind both feedings, the same?

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| Feeding 5,000                | Feeding 4,000          |
|------------------------------|------------------------|
| Primarily Jews               | Primarily Gentiles     |
| Galilee, near Bethsaida      | The Decapolis          |
| 5 loaves, 2 fish             | 7 loaves, "a few fish" |
| 12 baskets over              | 7 baskets over         |
| Crowd with Him 1 day         | Crowd with Him 3 days  |
| Spring of year (green grass) | Summer season          |
| Tried to make Him King       | No popular response    |

This chart is adapted from Warren Wiersbe showing the differences

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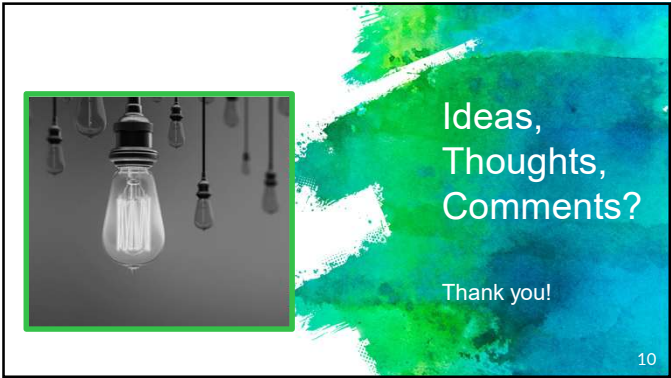
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**Matthew 16:8-11** <sup>8</sup> But Jesus, aware of this, said, "O you of little faith, why are you discussing among yourselves the fact that you have no bread? <sup>9</sup> Do you not yet perceive? Do you not remember the five loaves for the five thousand, and how many baskets you gathered? <sup>10</sup> Or the seven loaves for the four thousand, and how many baskets you gathered? <sup>11</sup> How is it that you fail to understand that I did not speak about bread?"

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