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MATTHEW				
	<b>Announcement and Arrival of the King</b> Main Emphasis: His Credentials Baptism Temptation CHAPTERS 1-4	<b>Proclamation and Reception of the King</b> Main Emphasis: His Message Sermon on the Mount Miracles Discourses Parables CHAPTERS 5-15	<b>Opposition and Rejection of the King</b> Main Emphasis: His Suffering and Death Spread of opposition Preparation of disciples Final predictions Crucifixion CHAPTERS 16-27	<b>Resurrection and Triumph of the King</b> Main Emphasis: His Conquest God's power Great Commission CHAPTER 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 3:7-10** <sup>7</sup> But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? <sup>8</sup> Bear fruit in keeping with repentance. <sup>9</sup> And do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father,' for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children for Abraham. <sup>10</sup> Even now the axe is laid to the root of the trees. Every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

What is the impact of calling the Pharisees vipers?

What is the meaning of bearing fruit in keeping with repentance?

What is meant by "Abraham is our father" and "raising children from stones"?

What is John talking about with reference to cutting down the tree and burning it?

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Matthew 3:11-12 <sup>11</sup>“I baptize you with water for repentance, but he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>12</sup>His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into the barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

What is the meaning of baptizing for repentance and is that what baptism is today?

Is being baptized by the Holy Spirit and fire the same thing?

What does John not worthy to carry Jesus’s sandals mean to the Jews?

What is the meaning of the winnowing fork?

What are the wheat, chaff, and unquenchable fire?

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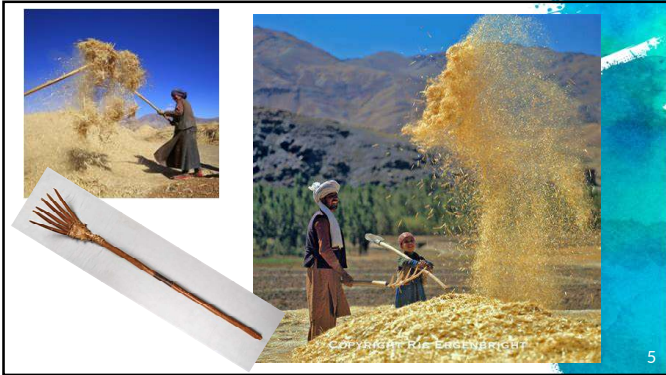
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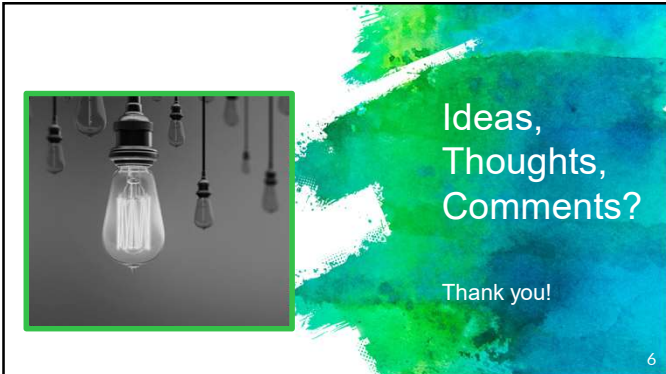
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