

Introducing Jesus, the King

Matthew 1:1-17

Truth #1: Jesus is the promised _____.

Matthew 1:1 A record of the genealogy of Jesus Christ the son of David, the son of Abraham

- **2 Samuel 7:16 (ESV)** And your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me. Your throne shall be established forever.' ”

Truth #2: Jesus is a _____ of King. (He is not the King that people expected)

Genesis 49:10 (ESV) The scepter shall not depart from Judah, nor the ruler's staff from between his feet, until tribute comes to him; and to him shall be the obedience of the peoples.

- **2 Kings 21:16** ...Manasseh also shed so much innocent blood that he filled Jerusalem from end to end— besides the sin that he had caused Judah to commit, so that they did evil in the eyes of the LORD.
- **2 Kings 21:12** Therefore this is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says: I am going to bring such disaster on Jerusalem and Judah that the ears of everyone who hears of it will tingle.
- **Proverbs 19:20–21** Listen to advice and accept instruction, and in the end you will be wise. **21** Many are the plans in a man's heart, but it is the LORD's purpose that prevails.

Truth #3: Fourteen Generations – reading “ _____ ” between the lines

Matthew 1:17 Thus there were fourteen generations in all from Abraham to David, fourteen from David to the exile to Babylon, and fourteen from the exile to the Christ.

Three truths from these three truths:

1) The promised King is a _____.

2) Even I can be welcome in God's _____ and even I can be used in God's _____.

3) The best way to approach a King is to _____ before him.

Next Steps for Growth:

I want to begin to follow Jesus today.

I want to be contacted by a pastor.

I want to be baptized.

I want to become a member.

Name(s): _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____ Change my contact info

Mailing Address: _____

I am a: 1st time guest 2nd time guest Regular Attendee Member (taken membership class & committed to membership covenant)

The Gospel of Matthew

Author: Matthew, one of Jesus disciples, also called Levi, a former tax collector.

Matthew 9:9 *As Jesus passed on from there, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he rose and followed him.*

Matthew never names himself as the author of this gospel, but traditionally this gospel has been understood to have been written by Matthew the disciple. Many of the early church fathers cited this gospel as the writing of Matthew.

Date: Around AD 50.

Purpose of writing: Matthew recorded selected events from the life and ministry of Jesus Christ in order to confirm to a Jewish audience that Jesus was indeed the promised Messianic King. Jesus came to reveal God's kingdom, to provide access to it and show how it fits into the present age in light of Israel's rejection of her King.

The gospel of Matthew also serves as a transition between the Old and New Testaments, helping us understand how Jesus fulfills the prophetic promises of the Old Testament, and how Jesus is the hope of prophetic promises that have yet to be fulfilled.

A suggested outline of Matthew – Adapted from Dr. Mark Bailey

- I. Person of the King (Matt. 1-4) - Early Life and Ministry
- II. Platform of the King (Matt. 5-7) – The Sermon on the Mount
- III. Power of the King (Matt. 8-10) – Miracles and Mission
- IV. Parables of the King (Matt. 11-13:52) - Rejection and Revelation
- V. Progressive Rejection of the King (Matt. 13:53-18) - Miracles and Responses
- VI. Presentation of the King (Matt. 19-25) - Entry and Controversy
- VII. Passion of the King (Matt. 26-28) - Death and Resurrection

Prayer Requests/Praise Items: __ Put this on the prayer chain.

