

Gospel Journal

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Matthew

Chapter 1

The birth of Jesus the Christ, son of David, son of Abraham was miraculous by the Holy Spirit, fulfilling prophecy in Isaiah 7:14.

Chapter 2

Fulfilling prophecy, Christ was born in Bethlehem, went to Egypt to avoid persecution from Herod, then returned to Galilee after Herod's death.

Chapter 3

John's ministry calls all to repent, preparing the way of the Lord (fulfilling prophecy). Israel is warned that the axe is already at the root. Jesus is baptized.

Chapter 4

Jesus fasts for 40 days and defeats temptations from the devil. When Jesus hears that John is imprisoned, he moved from Nazareth to a city in the region of Galilee called Capernaum (to fulfill prophecy). Here Jesus begins His ministry, picking up where John left off, preaching repentance in light of the coming Kingdom. Jesus calls His first disciples, teaching all around the region of Galilee, healing and delivering from demons, and draw great crowds to Himself.

Chapter 5

Jesus warns of persecution for those who would follow Him and proclaim His teaching. Jesus encourages the crowd now to turn back in light of these trials. Christ seems to answer an accusation that His teachings are against the Mosaic Law. Christ internalized the Law, showing its purpose to cause one to love God and truly care for the wellbeing of one's neighbor.

Chapter 6

Christ continues on to exhort his listeners to turn from temporary earthly pursuits and to seek heavenly praise and rewards, and not to worry stressfully about daily life needs.

Chapter 7

Commendation is made to move from examining the externals of others, instead to the examination of one's own heart. Christ warns against those who claim to serve God, and yet merely practice external rote religious ceremonies. Jesus then exhorts his followers to not merely examine their heart, but live out His teaching.

Chapter 8

An outcast and a Gentile trust in Christ. Beginning with Peter's house, Jesus heals great crowds (fulfilling prophecy). Leaving those merely interested in His physical healing, Christ and His disciples go to the other side of the sea, where Christ shows power over the elements and over demons.

Chapter 9

Christ returns home and stirs things up by proclaiming forgiveness of sins. Jesus shows that the Father has given Him authority to do such, by letting the Father heal a paralytic. Jesus shows God's heart for the lost by eating with tax collectors and sinners. Jesus heals a woman commending her trust in Him. Jesus raises the dead, again commending trust in God. Jesus begins to share with His disciples His heart for the harassed and helpless crowds.

Chapter 10

Jesus sends out the disciples to minister to the lost sheep of Israel.

Chapter 11

John has doubts about Jesus while in prison.