



# FUNDAMENTAL GRACE BIBLE STUDY

## Matthew

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### Lesson 1: Introduction

#### 1. Purpose

- a. All scripture is inspired, preserved & profitable for the man of God – 2Tim3:16-17; 2:15; 1Tim4:13
- b. To contrast:
  - i. Knowing Christ after the flesh (2Cor5:16) or after the new creature (2Cor5:17)
  - ii. Preaching Christ according to prophecy (Ac3:21) or mystery (Rom16:25)
  - iii. Ministering Christ to circumcision (Rom15:8) or uncircumcision (Rom15:16)
  - iv. The gospels of the kingdom (Mt4:23) and the gospel of the cross (1Cor1:17-18)
  - v. Christ's blood payment for many (Isa53:11; Mt26:28) and for all (1Tim2:6)

#### 2. What to Expect

- a. Author: Matthew (*Levi*), Son of Alphaeus (*publican*) – Mt9:9; 10:3; Mk2:14; Lu5:27
- b. Audience: The lost sheep of the house of Israel – Mt10:6; 15:24; Jn1:11; 4:22
- c. Context: Daniel provides a prophetic schedule for Israel's program – Dan9:25-27
  - i. Post-Kingdom split: House of Israel (10 tribes) & Judah (2 tribes) – 1Kgs11:11,29-35
  - ii. Post-Exile (70yrs): Israel was destroyed & taken to Babylon – Jer25:11; 29:10; Dan9:1
  - iii. Post-command to rebuild Jerusalem: As prophesied in Dan9:25; Cf. Ezra 1:1
  - iv. Post-Prophetic Silence (400yrs) – Dan9:26; Am8:11-12; Mal3:1; Isa40:3; Mk1:2-4
- d. Timeframe: 30 years (birth to baptism) + ~3 years of ministry (baptism to ascension)
- e. Theme: Confirm the kingdom promises made to "*the fathers*" – Rom9:5-6; 15:8; Cf. Eph2:11-12
  - i. Proclaim: Proclaim the kingdom at hand & Messiah's arrival – Mt3:1-3,13-17; 4:17
  - ii. Identify: The Messiah identifies with his own kinsmen – Mt3:13-15
  - iii. Divide: Call out the little flock/remnant of Israel – Mt4:19-20; 21:43
  - iv. Prepare: Instruct the little flock, remnant for the great tribulation – Lu12:32; Mt24:13
  - v. Suffer: To die on the cross for Israel's sins, ushering in the New Testament – Heb9:15-17
  - vi. Send: To send the little flock to the world with the gospel of the kingdom – Mt24:13-15
- f. Phases & Transitions: ("*from that time...*")
  - i. Jesus begins preaching kingdom at hand – Mt4:17
  - ii. Jesus begins revealing his death – Mt16:21
- g. Prophetic Fulfillment: "*that it might be fulfilled*" (9x) or "*fulfilled*" (16x) – Mt1:22; 21:4; 27:35
- h. Parabolic Language: To hide mysteries of the kingdom from those lacking faith – Mt13:10-11
- i. Covenant & Law Teaching: Jesus, born under law, sent to those w/ covenants taught obedience to them – Gal4:4; Mt23:1-3,23

#### 3. Noteworthy Content

- a. Popular passages:
  - i. The Sermon on the Mount – Mt5-7
  - ii. The Parable of the Sower – Mt13
  - iii. Tribute to Caesar – Mt22:15-22
  - iv. The Second Coming, Tribulation & the End – Mt24:51
  - v. The Great Commission – Mt28:19-20
- b. Fundamentals: Virgin birth, sinless life, death, burial, resurrection, ascension = Deity & necessary for our salvation (Mystery: 1Cor15:1-4; 2Cor5:19-21)

#### 4. Book Details

- a. Length: 28 Chapters – 1,071 Verses – 23,343 words
- b. Biblical Order: 40<sup>th</sup> (of 66)
- c. Old Testament: Matthew 1:1-27:49 | New Testament: Matthew 27:50-28:



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## Daniel's 70 Week Prophecy

(Weeks of years = 490 years)

Daniel 9:24-27

