

The Gospel of Matthew

Outline of the Book

- Jesus is the Messiah who comes to fulfill the Torah
- Jesus is the new Moses who teaches the people
- Jesus is Emmanuel (God with us)
- Jesus teaches about the Kingdom of Heaven
- Jesus is continuity between the story of Israel and the story of the church
- Jesus fulfills prophecies

Outline of the Book (from David E. Garland in The NIV Application Commentary Series: Matthew)

1. Introduction (Chapters 1-2) **The New Moses/Messiah Comes**
 - a. Infancy Narratives
 - b. Jesus Escapes like Moses
2. Narratives 1 (Chapters 3-4) **Ways of the Kingdom of Heaven**
 - a. John and Jesus
 - b. Jesus is Tempted
 - c. Jesus calls his disciples
 - d. *Discourse 1 (Chapters 5-7)*
 - i. *Norms of the Kingdom of Heaven*
 - ii. *The Demands of the Kingdom of Heaven*
 - iii. *Hypocrisy toward the Kingdom*
 - iv. *Kingdom Perspectives*
 - v. *Balance and Perfection*
 - vi. *Call to Commitment*
3. Narrative 2 (Chapters 8-10:4) **Missionary Instructions**
 - a. Jesus heals
 - b. Eating with Sinners
 - c. Sending out the Twelve
 - d. *Discourse 2 (10:5-11:1)*
 - i. *The Commission*
 - ii. *Future Suffering*
 - iii. *Do not Fear*
 - iv. *Characteristics of discipleship*
 - v. *The disciples head out*
4. Narrative 3 (Chapters 11:2-12:50) **This Kingdom is coming**
 - a. Jesus and John redux
 - b. Who is in and who is out
 - c. Sabbath conflicts
 - d. Jesus confronts the Pharisees
 - e. Doing God's will
 - f. *Discourse 3 (13:1-13:53)*
 - i. *Parables of Kingdom*
 - ii. *Parables as fulfillment of prophecy*
 - iii. *Parables of Kingdom's value*

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5. Narrative 4 (Chapters 14-18) **The New Kingdom will face opposition**
 - a. Jesus is rejected at home
 - b. Herod and Jesus
 - c. Miracles of Jesus
 - d. Jesus expands his ministry to Gentiles
 - e. Peter's Confession
 - f. The way of discipleship
 - g. **Discourse 4 (Chapter 18)**
 - i. *Humility and greatness*
 - ii. *Grace wins*
 - iii. *Forgiveness*
 - iv. *Judean ministry begins*
6. Narrative 5 (Chapters 19-25) **The Kingdom will come through suffering**
 - a. Questions and comments about
 - i. Marriage
 - ii. Children
 - iii. Wealth
 - b. Passion prediction
 - c. Suffering and service
 - d. Opening events of Passion Week
 - i. Triumphal Entry
 - ii. Jesus at Temple
 - iii. Fig Tree
 - iv. Controversies in Temple (parables and questions)
 - v. Seven woes on teachers and Pharisees
 - vi. Lament over Jerusalem
 - vii. **Discourse 5 (Chapters 24 and 25)**
 1. *The Birth pains of the Kingdom*
 2. *The Coming Son of Man*
 3. *Why Birth pangs matter*
 4. *Be Prepared*
 5. *Watch Carefully*
 6. *Sheep and Goats*
 7. *Fourth Passion Prediction*
7. Narrative 6 (Chapters 26-28) **Jesus brings the Kingdom**
 - a. Anointed at Bethany
 - b. Betrayal
 - c. Last Supper
 - d. Garden
 - e. Arrest
 - f. Jesus before Sanhedrin
 - g. Peter betrays
 - h. Sanhedrin decides

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- i. Judas dies
- j. Jesus before Pilate
- k. Crucifixion, death, burial
- l. Resurrection
- m. Disciples meet him
- n. Discourse 6**
 - i. The Great Commission**