



Whole Book of the Bible Series

THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW

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Matthew's Gospel: BIG PICTURE

Birth Story & beginning of Jesus' public ministry (1:1-4:25)

Sermon 1 – The call to righteousness (5:1-7:29)

Story – 9 miracles emphasising power of Kingdom of Heaven (8:1-9:35)

Sermon 2 – Sending out into the world (9:36-11:1)

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Story – Questions & opposition to Jesus (11:2-12:50)

Sermon 3 – 7 parables emphasising mixed reception of the Kingdom of Heaven (13:1-53)

Story – Opposition to Jesus increases (13:54-17:27)

Sermon 4 – Instruction on community life (18:1-19:1)

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Story – Jesus goes to Jerusalem; sharp contrast between opposition and true discipleship (19:2-22:46)

Sermon 5 – Prophetic words about judgment of Israel (23:1-26:2)

Climax of Matthew's gospel: suffering, death & resurrection of Jesus (26:3-28:20)

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Theme 1:
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1. Fulfillment of **Prophecy**
2. Fulfillment of **Israel**
3. Fulfillment of the **Law**

1. Fulfillment of Prophecy

- "This happened so that what was spoken of by the prophet might be fulfilled..."
 - 1:22-23
 - 2:5-6
 - 2:15
 - 2:17-18
 - 2:23
 - 3:3
 - 4:14-16
 - 8:17
 - 12:17-21
 - 13:35
 - 21:4-5
 - 27:9-10

2. Fulfillment of Israel

- Jesus tested in the wilderness (4:1-11)
- Jesus as new Moses giving new law (Sermon on the Mount – 5:1-7:28)
- Jesus as light to the Gentiles

3. Fulfillment of the Law

- 'I've come not to abolish the law, but to fulfill it...' (5:17)
- Law now serves a different function & is complete in Jesus Christ
- Righteousness through faith in Christ
- 'You heard it said... but I say to you...'

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Theme 2:
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- ◉ **Kingdom** (4:17)
- ◉ **Cost** (16:24-25)
- ◉ **Commission** (5:13-16; 28:19)

Theme 2:
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- ◉ **An Encouragement**
- ◉ **A Challenge**
- ◉ **A Warning**
