

Intro to the Gospel of Matthew

A Covenant People

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Gospel = Good News

Synoptic Gospels = Seen Together, or Common View

Author

Matthew, The Tax Collector

Sometimes called Levi, possibly before coming to Christ. The Lord had a habit of changing people's names/identities after meeting with them: Abram to Abraham, Jacob to Israel, Simon to Peter, Saul to Paul.

He was a publican, or tax collector. Outcast. Deemed so sinful, your reputation could be tainted just by associating with them.

Audience

Jewish Christians "primarily"?

Genealogies/ Priests, Levites/ Paul of the tribe of Benjamin

Gentile Christians

Young church

Themes

Jesus is the Messiah,

Jesus is the king. Has authority to heal, forgive.

The Kingdom of heaven.

Israel's rejection of Jesus

God's Beautiful Covenant

[Genesis 3:15](#) "15 I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel." ESV

15 "I will put hostility between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring. He will strike your head, and you will strike his heel." CSB

[Genesis 12:1-3](#) "1 Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. 2 And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. 3 I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

[2 Samuel 7:8-17](#)

Gospel of Grace

1. Matthew 9:9-13
2. Matthew 10:1-4

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Basics

1. Gospel = _____
2. Synoptic Gospels = _____ Together, or _____ View
3. Author = Matthew, The _____ Collector, or _____.
4. Audience = _____ Christians, _____ Christians, a _____ church
5. Themes =
 - a. Jesus is the _____.
 - b. Jesus is the _____.
 - i. The _____ of _____.
 - c. Israel's _____ of Jesus.

God's Beautiful Covenant

1. Genesis 3:15
 - a. Who will crush the serpent? _____
2. Genesis 12:1–3
 - a. Through whom will the families of the earth be blessed? _____.
3. 2 Samuel 7:8–17
 - a. Through whose line will the messiah come? _____.

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3. Matthew 9:9-13
4. Matthew 10:1-4