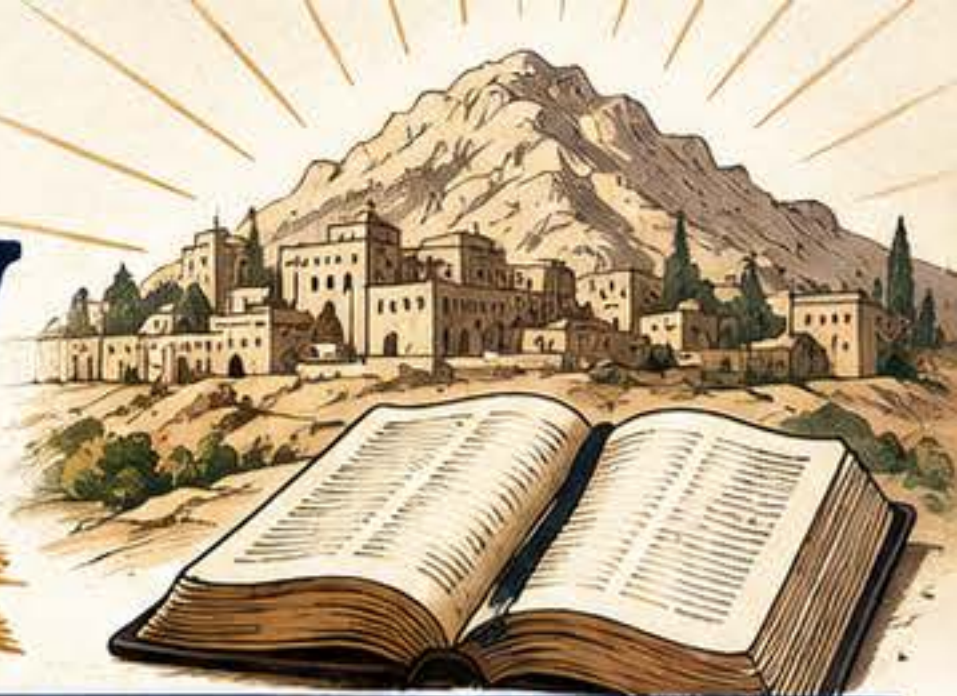




MATTHEW
The most
Jewish Gospel

The Gospel of MATTHEW

THE KING AND HIS KINGDOM



THE FOUR GOSPELS

Imagine a car accident between a mini-van and an expensive sports car at a four way intersection.



A MOTHER
saw it from
her angle.



A LAWYER
saw it from
his angle.



**A CAR
COLLECTOR**
saw it from
his angle.



**AN INSURANCE
ADJUSTER**
saw it from
his angle.

The four gospels are also written from
4 different perspectives and from their points of view.



Do not worry about the differences.
More importantly, see where there is

AGREEMENT: JESUS' DEATH AND RESURRECTION!

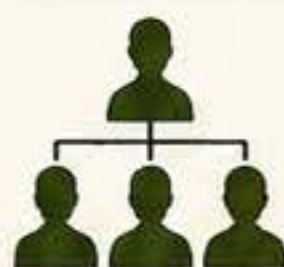
FACTS ABOUT MATTHEW'S GOSPEL



Matthew has roughly 60+ direct Old Testament quotations plus over 100 allusions — more than any other gospel, many introduced by his signature formula, *"this was to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet."* Therefore it is the most Jewish Gospel.



Of the four gospels, Matthew is the only one to use the phrase *"kingdom of heaven"* instead of *"kingdom of God"* — likely a Jewish convention avoiding direct use of God's name, occurring over 30 times.



In the genealogy of Jesus, Matthew is showing Jesus' connection to **King David** and to **Abraham**. Jesus is of royal lineage (symbolically speaking). King David gives Matthew Jesus' Christology (who he is — the king), Abraham gives Matthew Jesus' mission (who he is for — the nations).

DISTINCTIVE SCENES FOUND ONLY IN MATTHEW



The Wise Men and the
star of Bethlehem
(2:1-12)



Joseph's perspective
on the nativity
(Luke tells it from Mary's side;
Matthew tells it from Joseph's)



The flight to Egypt



Herod's slaughter
of the innocents

BRIEF OUTLINE

I

**ORIGINS AND
PREPARATION**
(1-4)



II

GALILEAN MINISTRY
(4:17-16:20)

- Sermon on the Mount (5-7)
- Mission Discourse (10)
- Parables of the Kingdom (13)



III

**TURN TOWARD
JERUSALEM**
(16:21-20:34)

- Church/Community Discourse (18)



IV

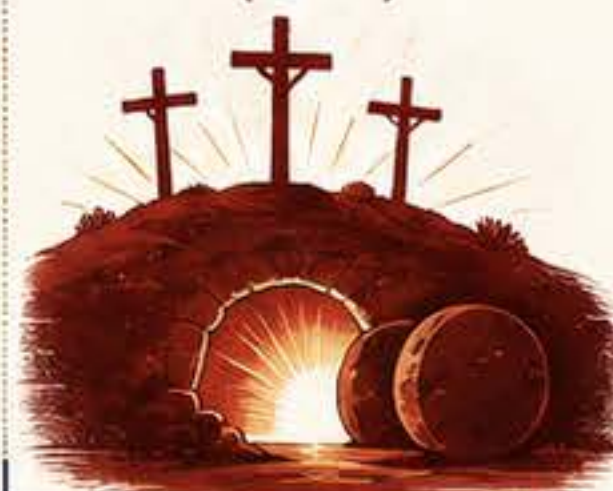
**JERUSALEM
CONFRONTATION**
(21-25)

- Olivet Discourse (24-25)



V

**PASSION AND
RESURRECTION**
(26-28)



MATTHEW'S MESSAGE: *Jesus is the promised King
who brings the **kingdom of heaven** to the world.*



He came as King.
He taught as King.
He died as King.
He rose as King!

HOLY, SERVING, AND REIGNING.