The Messiah Revealed #7
A Study in the Gospel of Matthew. By Pastor Jason on 10-16-16
Text: Matthew 17:1-27 "The Messiah Revealed"

3 Lessons from the Mountain Top (Matthew 17:1-13)

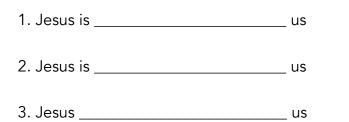
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