

Mosaic series

Questions, Outlines, and Themes

Matthew – The Unwanted Messiah

Questions

1. Did you know that Matthew was so structured? Or did it seem like it was more or less in chronological order?
2. The Names of God series covered Jesus as a Second Adam. Have you heard of Jesus as the new Moses? Does that name make sense to you?
3. “Expecting Rejection” Does that seem like a defeatist attitude or just brutal honesty?
4. If you know people who are negative about Jesus, how do you move them to neutral to being positive about him?
5. Why do you think it’s important for Matthew to quote so many Old Testament prophecies?

Outline (From BibleProject.com)

Intro (chapters 1-3)

(there are 5 sections and each section ends with a teaching from Jesus)

Section 1: chapters 4-7

- Announcing God’s Kingdom
- How to live in God’s Kingdom
- Teaching: Sermon on the Mount (Ch 5-7)

Section 2: chapters 8-10

- Jesus Brings the Kingdom into People’s lives
- 3 stories of healing and Jesus says follow me.
- 3 more stories of healing and Jesus says follow me.
- 3 stories of healing
- Teaching: Sending out the 12. Expect Acceptance and Rejection (Ch 10)

Section 3: chapters 11-13

- Responses to Jesus
 - Positive: Jesus is the Messiah
 - Neutral: Is Jesus the Messiah
 - Negative: Jesus is NOT the Messiah
- Teaching: Parables about the Kingdom (Ch 13)

Section 4: chapters 14-20

- Different expectations about the Messiah
 - Jews, non-Jews, Pharisees, Disciples
- Suffering Servant vs Victorious Defeat of Pagans!
- Teaching: The Upside Down Kingdom (Ch 18-20)
 - Honor by serving
 - Revenge vs Forgive
 - Gain true wealth by giving it away

Section 5: chapters 21-25

- Clash of Kingdoms
 - Triumphant entry into Jerusalem
 - Money changers at Temple
- Teaching: Critique of Pharisees (Ch 23-25)
 - You Hypocrites

Outro: (ch 26-28)

- Passover Meal
- Trial and Crucifixion
- Great Commission

Key themes

- I. Messiah from the line of Abraham and David
- II. New Moses
- III. God with us
- IV. Jesus fulfills Old Testament prophecy
- V. The suffering Servant
- VI. Expect Rejection