



Gospel of Matthew

NEW TESTAMENT WORKSHOP
MORRISON HEIGHTS BAPTIST CHURCH
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Overview

AUTHORSHIP

Matthew, also known as Levi, a tax collector **(9:9-13)**
Father: Alphaeus **(Mk. 2:14)**

PLACE OF WRITING

Antioch, capital of Syria

DATE OF WRITING

75-100 AD



Vittore Carpaccio (1502)

Overview

LENGTH

1071 verses

STRUCTURE

alternates between Narrative and Discourse (Teaching)

George Eldon Ladd

features FIVE blocks of Teaching: **Chapters 5-7, 10, 13, 18, and 24-25**

For Jewish readers, the number 5 would symbolize the Torah.

Some New Testament scholars, therefore, theorize that Matthew presents Jesus as the “New Moses” and the Gospel as the “New Pentateuch.”

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Matthew is a very JEWISH gospel.

① More Old Testament Quotations Than Any Other Gospel

62 Passages

② Genealogy of Jesus **(1:1-17)**

traces back to Abraham

③ Title of Jesus: Son of David

1:1, 20; 9:27; 12:23; 15:22; 20:30-31; 21:9, 15; 22:42

more than any other gospel

④ The noun “righteousness” occurs seven times in Matthew **(3:15; 5:6, 10, 20; 6:1, 33; 21:32)**, more than any other gospel.



Matthew serves as a fitting transition from the Old Testament (Jewish Scriptures) to the New Testament.

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PURPOSE: Proposed

- ① Manual for Church Leaders [Stendahl]
- ② Jesus is the New Moses; the Gospel is the New Pentateuch [Bacon].
- ③ Christ is the goal of the Old Testament; Christianity is the fulfillment of Judaism (SEE Five Blocks of Teaching).

THEMES

- ① Presentation of Jesus as Israel's Messiah in Confrontation with Israel's Unbelief
- ② Jesus is Divine Wisdom (11:19, 25-30; 23:34-39).
- ③ Ecclesiastical Gospel (16:17-19; 18:15-20)

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UNIQUE MATERIAL: Examples

① Birth and Infancy Narratives (1:1-2:23)

② “Sermon on the Mount” (5:1-7:29)

③ Phrase: “Kingdom of Heaven”

④ Parables

“Tares Among Wheat” (13:24-30), “Hidden Treasure” (13:44), “Costly Pearl” (13:45-46), “Dragnet” (13:47-50), “Forgiveness” (18:23-35), “Laborers in the Vineyard” (20:1-16), “Two Sons” (21:28-32), “Marriage Feast” (22:1-14), and “Ten Virgins” (25:1-14)

⑤ Death of Judas (27:3-10)

⑥ Guard at Jesus’ Tomb (27:62-66)

MIRACLE MATERIAL

144 Verses or 13.4%



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