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Matthew 22-28 Overview and Highlights

Matthew 22

1. Parable of the marriage feast ([Matt. 22:1-14](#))
2. Tribute to Caesar question posed by the Pharisees ([Matt. 22:15-22](#))
 - a. While the Pharisees tried to trip Jesus up in His speech, He answered marvelously ([Matt. 22:21](#))
 - i. Proof that we should pay our taxes
 - ii. Also, that we should give to God!
3. Marriage question posed by the Sadducees ([Matt. 22:23-33](#))
 - a. Another reference to the Old Testament ([Matt. 22:24](#); [Deut. 25:5-6](#))
 - b. Jesus identifies their error and uses the Old Testament to expose their false doctrine of no resurrection ([Matt. 22:29-32](#); [Ex. 3:6](#))
4. Lawyer tempted Jesus ([Matt. 22:34-40](#))
 - a. Question is about what the great commandment in the law (of Moses) is ([Matt. 22:36](#))
 - b. Jesus correctly answers from the Old Testament ([Matt. 22:37-40](#); [Deut. 6:5](#); [Lev. 19:18](#))
 - i. The Ten Commandments were based upon man's relationship with God and his fellow man
 - ii. Jesus summarizes the entire law of Moses with these two commandments

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- c. “If ye love me, keep my commandments” ([John 14:15](#); [1 John 5:1-3](#))
- 5. Jesus asked questions of the Pharisees ([Matt. 22:41-46](#))
 - a. Another reference to the Son of David ([Matt. 22:42](#))
 - b. Evidence of inspiration ([Matt. 22:43](#); [Psalm 110:1](#))
 - i. Compare [Mark 12:36](#) & [Luke 20:42](#)
 - c. Proof positive that Jesus (as the Word) was existent before His carnation on the Earth and thus is God (cf. [John 1:1-3](#), [14](#))
 - d. If they answered Jesus’ question they would have to acknowledge His Deity but “no man was able to answer him a word” ([Matt. 22:46](#))

Matthew 23

- 1. Warning against pride and call to humility ([Matt. 23:1-12](#))
- 2. Woes pronounced to the scribes and Pharisees ([Matt. 23:14-36](#))
 - a. woe (*ouai* G3759) an interjection of grief or of denunciation (Thayer 461)
 - b. Old Testament canon confirmation ([Matt. 23:35](#))
 - i. Jesus is saying from Genesis ([Gen. 4:8](#)) to 2 Chronicles ([2 Chr. 24:20-21](#))
 - ii. The Hebrew Bible began with Genesis (The Law) and ended with 2 Chronicles (The Writings)
- 3. Foreshadowing of the destruction of Jerusalem ([Matt. 23:37-39](#))

Matthew 24

- 1. Sometimes called the “Olivet Discourse” (cf. [Matt. 24:3](#))
- 2. Prophecy regarding the destruction of Jerusalem ([Matt. 24:1-35](#))
 - a. Pay attention to the phrase, “those days” ([Matt. 24:19](#), [22](#), [29](#))
 - b. Signs would be given (cf. [Matt. 24:33](#))
 - c. Judea specifically referenced ([Matt. 24:15-16](#))
 - d. References to Daniel ([Matt. 24:15](#); cf. [Dan. 9:27](#)), Noah ([Matt. 24:37](#); cf. [Gen. 6-9](#)), and the flood ([Matt. 24:38-39](#))

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- e. Everything prophesied up to this point had to come to pass in that generation of time ([Matt. 24:32-34](#))
- 3. Prophecy regarding the second coming of Christ ([Matt. 24:36-51](#))
 - a. Pay attention to the phrase, “that day” ([Matt. 24:36](#))
 - b. No signs will be given (cf. [Matt. 24:36](#), [43-44](#), [50-51](#))

Matthew 25

- 1. The “Olivet Discourse” is continued in this chapter
- 2. Parable of the ten virgins ([Matt. 25:1-13](#))
 - a. Highlights the need to be prepared
- 3. Parable of the talents ([Matt. 25:14-30](#))
 - a. Highlights the necessity of being a good steward
- 4. A glimpse at final judgment ([Matt. 25:31-46](#))
 - a. Highlights the importance of carrying out the Lord’s work

Matthew 26

- 1. Prophecy regarding the death and type of death of Christ ([Matt. 26:1-2](#))
- 2. Jewish leaders conspired to take and kill Jesus by subtility ([Matt. 26:3-5](#))
- 3. Anointing of Jesus’ body for burial ([Matt. 26:6-13](#))
 - a. “For ye have the poor always with you” ([Matt. 26:11](#); cf. [Deut. 15:11](#))
 - b. Observe Jesus called this account “this gospel” ([Matt. 26:13](#))
- 4. Judas Iscariot covenants to betray Jesus ([Matt. 26:14-16](#))
- 5. Preparation of eating the passover ([Matt. 26:17-19](#))
- 6. Prophecy regarding the betrayal of Jesus by Judas Iscariot ([Matt. 26:20-25](#))
- 7. Institution of the Lord’s Supper ([Matt. 26:26-29](#))
 - a. The word “wine” is not used in the institution of the Lord’s Supper
 - i. Instead, two different Greek words are employed and translated as “fruit of the vine”

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- ii. fruit (*ho* G3588 *genema* G1081)
 - iii. of the vine (*ho* G3588 *ampelos* G288)
 - b. The vine used is a grape vine (cf. [Rev. 14:18](#))
 - c. No leavening agents could be used during the passover feast (cf. [Exod. 12:14-20](#))
 - i. Proof the bread was unleavened bread
 - ii. Proof the fruit of the vine was unfermented grape juice (yeast or leaven needed to make alcohol)
- 8. Prophecy of the forsaking of the apostles ([Matt. 26:30-35](#))
 - a. It fulfilled the prophecy found in [Zech. 13:7](#) (cf. [Matt. 26:56](#))
 - b. We can talk the talk, but can we walk the walk? ([Matt. 26:35](#))
- 9. Jesus prayed in the garden of Gethsemane ([Matt. 26:36-46](#))
 - a. “Gethsemane” means oil-press
 - b. “sons of Zebedee” ([Matt. 26:37](#)) = James and John ([Matt. 4:21](#))
- 10. Betrayal of Christ ([Matt. 26:47-56](#))
 - a. “legion” is equal to about 6,000 Roman soldiers ([Matt. 26:53](#))
 - b. “twelve legions” is equal to about 72,000 soldiers
 - c. One angel killed 185,000 Assyrians in one night ([2 Kgs. 19:35](#))
 - i. $185,000 \times 72,000 = 13.32$ billion people
 - ii. In reality, Jesus could have destroyed the world but did not because that was not His mission (cf. [Luke 9:56](#), [19:10](#); [John 18:11](#), [19:30](#))
 - d. The Scriptures had to be fulfilled! ([Matt. 26:54](#))
- 11. Mock trial of Jesus by the Jewish council ([Matt. 26:57-68](#))
 - a. “I am able to destroy the temple of God, and to build it in three days” ([Matt. 26:61](#); cf. [John 2:19-21](#))
 - b. High priest was not to rend his clothes ([Matt. 26:65](#); cf. [Lev. 21:10](#))
- 12. Denial of Jesus by Peter three times ([Matt. 26:69-75](#))

Matthew 27

1. Deliverance of Jesus to the Romans for crucifixion ([Matt. 27:1-2](#))
 - a. This fulfilled the prophecy regarding what type of death Jesus was to die (cf. [Matt. 20:19](#), [26:2](#))
2. Judas Iscariot's "repentance" ([Matt. 27:3-5](#))
 - a. Not godly sorrow which leads to repentance here (cf. [2 Cor. 7:10](#))
 - i. Why? He committed suicide (cf. [Matt. 27:5](#))
3. Betrayal price of Jesus given to purchase the potter's field ([Matt. 27:6-10](#))
 - a. Fulfilled Old Testament prophecy (cf. [Zech. 11:12-13](#))
 - i. Observe Matthew said "spoken by Jeremy (Jeremiah)" not "written" ([Matt. 27:9](#))
 - ii. Entirely possible Jeremiah spoke it, and Zechariah later wrote it as both were inspired by the Holy Spirit (cf. [2 Pet. 1:20-21](#))
 - b. 30 pieces of silver equivalent to the price of a slave (cf. [Ex. 21:32](#))
4. Jesus' mock trial with the Romans ([Matt. 27:11-25](#))
 - a. Envy was the reason Jesus was delivered to be crucified ([Matt. 27:18](#))
 - i. "'envy,' is the feeling of displeasure produced by witnessing or hearing of the advantage or prosperity of others; this evil sense always attaches to this word" (Vine 204)
 - ii. They wanted what Jesus had and thus they were envious which led to murder (cf. [Prov. 14:30](#))
 - iii. Envy included in the sins of the Gentiles ([Rom. 1:29](#))
 - iv. Envy is a work of the flesh ([Gal. 5:19-21](#))
 - v. False teachers produce envy ([1 Tim. 6:4](#))
 - vi. Envy is something that can be lived in ([Tit. 3:3](#))
 - vii. Envy must be set aside ([1 Pet. 2:1](#))
 - b. Though Pilate washed his hands, he was not innocent ([Matt. 27:24](#); [Acts 4:24-28](#))
 - c. "His blood *be* on us, and on our children" ([Matt. 27:25](#))

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- i. "...intend to bring this man's blood upon us." ([Acts 5:28](#))
5. Scourging and crucifixion of Jesus ([Matt. 27:26-50](#))
 - a. Scourging was brutal (cf. [Psalm 129:3](#); [Isa. 50:6](#); [Psalm 22:17](#))
 - b. Giving Christ vinegar fulfilled Old Testament prophecy ([Matt. 27:34](#), [48](#); [Psalm 69:21](#))
 - c. Parting of garments and casting lots upon His vesture fulfilled Old Testament prophecy ([Matt. 27:35](#); [Psalm 22:18](#))
 - d. Being crucified with two thieves fulfilled Old Testament prophecy ([Matt. 27:38](#); [Isa. 53:9a](#))
6. Aftermath of the crucifixion of Jesus ([Matt. 27:51-55](#))
 - a. Veil of the temple which separated the holy and most holy places was torn from **top** to bottom ([Matt. 27:51](#); [Ex. 26:31-37](#))
 - i. God tore the veil as made possible by Christ's sacrifice ([Heb. 6:18-20](#), [9:1-12](#), [10:19-25](#))
 - b. Earthquake caused graves to be opened and saints were resurrected **after** Christ and appeared unto many ([Matt. 27:52-53](#))
 - i. Holy city is Jerusalem (cf. [Neh. 11:1](#); [Matt. 4:5](#) with [Luke 4:9](#))
 - c. Centurion (and others) acknowledged that Jesus was the Son of God ([Matt. 27:54](#))
7. Burial of Jesus ([Matt. 27:57-61](#))
 - a. Details!
 - i. Joseph **wrapped** Jesus' body in clean linen cloth ([Matt. 27:59](#))
 - ii. Jesus' body was laid in his own **new** tomb ([Matt. 27:60a](#); cf. [Luke 23:53](#) with [2 Kings 13:20-21](#))
 - iii. Joseph's tomb was hewn out in the **rock** ([Matt. 27:60b](#))
 - iv. A **large stone** was rolled in front of the door ([Matt. 27:60c](#))
8. Watch requested and set up at the tomb ([Matt. 27:62-66](#))
 - a. Stone is now sealed (so it will be easy to tell if it has been tampered with) and a watch (of soldiers cf. [Matt. 28:12](#)) is now in front of the tomb ([Matt. 27:66](#))
 - b. God protected the resurrection of Jesus against any signs of fraud or deception

Matthew 28

1. Resurrection of the Christ ([Matt. 28:1-10](#))
 - a. Christ arose on Sunday ([Matt. 28:1](#))
 - b. Angel of the Lord rolled back the stone, not man! ([Matt. 28:2](#))
 - c. John informs us the linen clothes and napkin that covered Jesus' head were in separate locations and wrapped (cf. [John 20:6-7](#))
 - i. How to account for this if Jesus was not resurrected?
 - d. Jesus appeared to Mary Magdalene and the other Mary (mother of James and Joses; cf. [Matt. 27:56](#)) ([Matt. 28:9](#))
 - i. How to account for this if Jesus was not resurrected?
2. The watch is bewildered at what has happened ([Matt. 28:11-15](#))
 - a. Amazing! Sleeping witnesses!
 - b. "Take heed, and beware of covetousness" (cf. [Luke 12:15](#))
 - c. Why not produce the corpse of Jesus and be done with it?
 - i. They **could not** because Christ arose!
 - d. Consider some of the false religions and where their founders are buried
 - i. Joseph Smith (Mormons): Smith Family Cemetery, in Nauvoo, Illinois
 - ii. John Wesley (Methodists): Wesley's Chapel, London, United Kingdom
 - iii. Muhammad (Islam/Muslims): The Green Dome, Medina, Saudi Arabia
 - iv. Pope (Catholics): https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_extant_papal_tombs
 - e. Peter would make a similar point regarding David ([Acts 2:29-36](#))
 - i. What happened on Pentecost was proof positive that Christ arose!
 - ii. The fact that the church of Christ remains almost 2,000 years later testifies to the resurrection of Christ (cf. [1 Cor. 15](#))
3. Great commission given ([Matt. 28:16-20](#))

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- a. commission is “an authorization or **command** to act in a prescribed manner or to perform prescribed acts; **charge**” (Merriam-Webster’s collegiate dictionary. (Eleventh ed.))
 - i. Not the “great suggestion”
 - ii. Apostles took it seriously (cf. [Col. 1:5-6, 23](#); [Rom. 10:17-18](#); [1 Cor. 9:16](#))
- b. Does this commission still apply today?
 - i. Yes! ([Matt. 28:20](#))
 - ii. to observe means “to observe, to give heed to,” as of **keeping commandments** (Vine 340)
 - iii. The command is to “teach all nations, baptizing them in (into) the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you” ([Matt. 28:19-20](#))
 - iv. teach or disciple (cf. [Matt. 27:57](#))
 - v. all or every commandment which would include this one