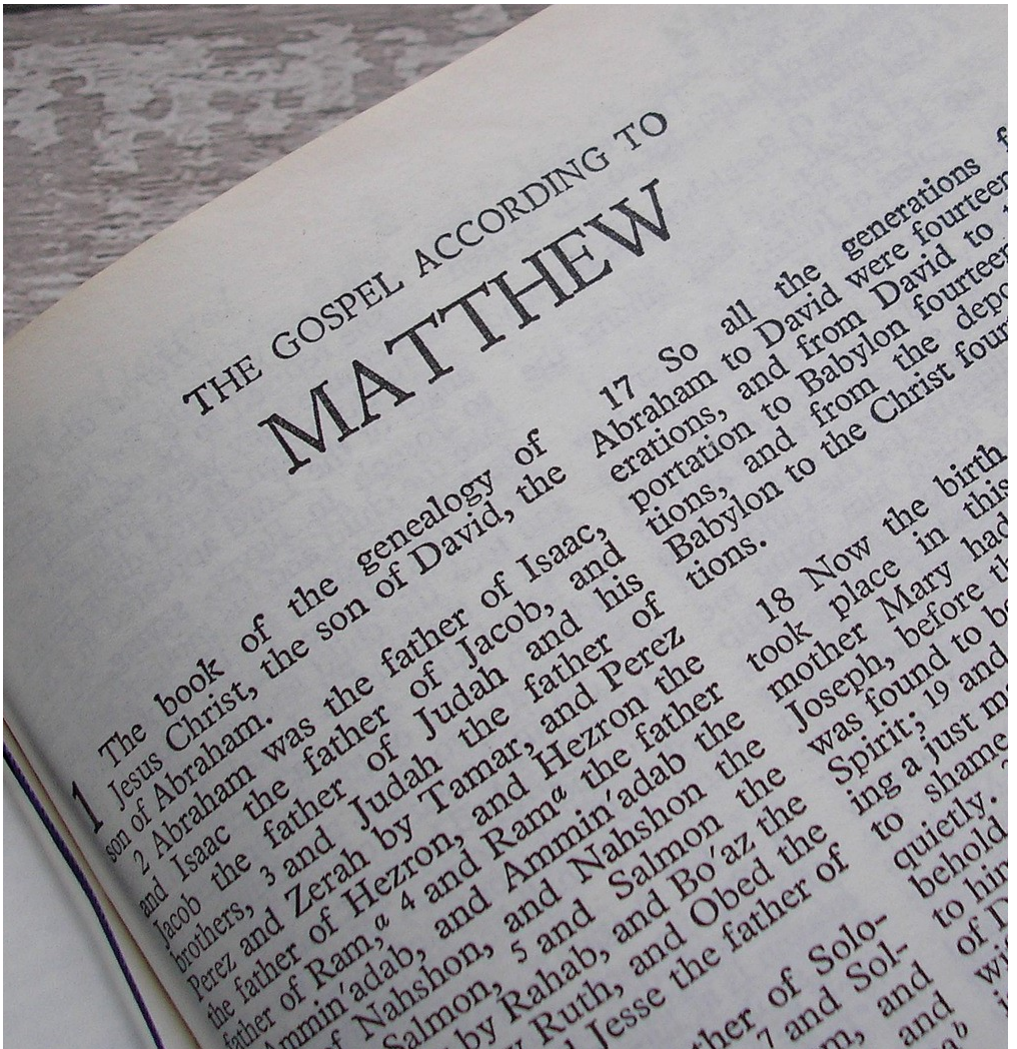
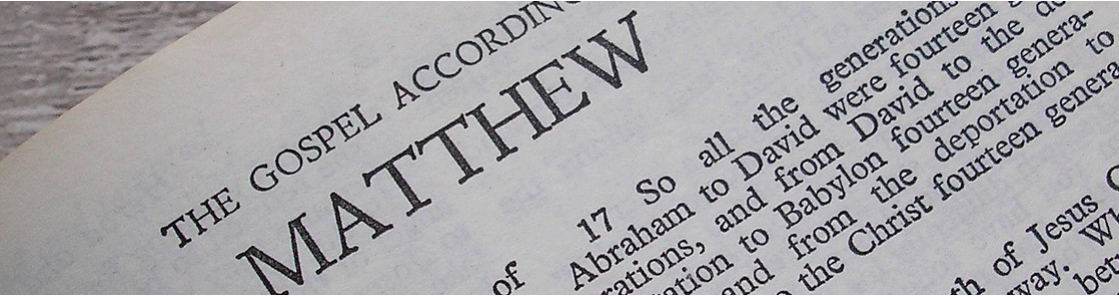


# Let's Worship God

18th-23rd July 2022

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### **Monday - Matthew 7:21-29 - The Two Builders**

Not all who call themselves Christians are saved. We may have been baptised, we may know a lot about the Bible, we may even teach others, but we still may not have real faith. Do we truly repent, truly believe on Christ, and live holy and humble lives? If not, no matter what we say or do, we will never be in heaven and will hear Jesus say that He never knew us.

The man who hears Christian teaching, and practices what he hears, is like the wise man. He does not content himself with listening to commands to repent, believe in Christ, and live a holy life. He actually repents, he actually believes. He actually stops doing evil, learns to do well, hates what is sinful, and clings to what is good. He is a doer as well as a hearer. What is the result? In the time of trial his faith does not fail him; the floods of sickness, sorrow, poverty, disappointments, bereavements do not move him. His faith does not give way. Being a Christian may have cost him in the past; his foundation may have been laid with hard work and many tears. But his work has not been useless; he now reaps a rich reward. The faith that can stand trial is true faith.

The man who hears Christian teaching and never gets beyond hearing, is like a foolish man. He satisfies himself with listening and agreeing, but he goes no further. He flatters himself that all is ok with his soul, because he feels spiritual. But he never really breaks off from sin; he never really lays hold of Christ; he never really takes up the cross; he is a hearer of truth, but nothing more. What is the result? His faith breaks down entirely under the first flood of trouble; it fails him completely when he needs it most. It leaves him a miserable wreck.

### **Questions**

1. How do we know if we are truly saved?
2. What is the difference between the wise man and the foolish man?

### **Prayer Points**

1. Pray that you would be a hearer and a doer.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters.

### **Memory Verse**

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.” Matthew 5:6

**Praise: Psalm 130- See [www.rpglobalalliance.org](http://www.rpglobalalliance.org) for Psalm tune helps.**

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## Tuesday - Matthew 8:1-15 - Healing

These verses teach us the great power of the Lord Jesus Christ. Incurable diseases are cured by Christ. He heals a person without even seeing them, by only speaking a word; He commands, and it is done. To give a woman in her bed with a fever, not just relief, but strength to do work in an instant, would baffle the skill of all the doctors on earth, yet Jesus does it. We are told in the Gospel to come to Jesus, to believe on Jesus, to live the life of faith in Jesus; we are encouraged to lean on Him, to cast all our care on Him, to rest all the weight of our souls on Him. We can do so without fear; He can bear all; He is a strong rock; He is Almighty. He can give life to the dead; He can give power to the weak. We can trust Him and not be afraid.

These verses also teach us the mercifulness and compassion of Christ. The circumstances of each of these healings was different, but the heart of Jesus was the same. In each case He was quick to show mercy, and ready to heal. Our great High Priest is very gracious. He is never tired of doing us good. He knows that we are weak and feeble, in the middle of a troubled world. He is as ready to help us as He was over 2,000 years ago.

These verses show us that faith is a precious thing. We know little about the centurion, but we know that he believed. He believed when scribes and Pharisees were unbelievers; he believed even though he was a Gentile, and he was praised for his belief. To believe in Christ's power and willingness to help, and to make practical use of our belief, is a rare and precious gift; we should be thankful if we have it. To be willing to come to Jesus as helpless, lost sinners, and commit our souls into His hands is a mighty privilege; we should bless God if He has given us this willingness. Such faith is better than all other gifts and knowledge in the world.

### Questions

1. What do these verses teach us about Jesus?
2. What was remarkable about the centurion?

### Prayer Points

1. Give thanks for Christ's power and compassion.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters.

### Memory Verse

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## Wednesday - Matthew 8:16-27 - Wisdom & Strength

These verses show us Jesus' wisdom is dealing with those who said they wanted to be His disciples. People who show a desire to become Christians should be warned clearly to count the cost before they begin. Are they prepared to endure hardship? Are they ready to carry the cross? There are times when a Christian must literally give up all for Christ's sake, and when even important family responsibilities must be done by others if they hold us back from following Christ. Yes, there is a crown of glory at the end, but there is a cross along the way.

We also see in these verses that true faith is often mixed with weakness. The disciples had true, saving faith, but the storm frightened them terribly. Many Christians have faith and love enough to forsake all for Christ's sake, and to follow Him wherever He goes, and yet are full of fears in the hour of trial. Many have grace enough to turn to Jesus in every trouble, and yet not grace enough to lie still and believe in the darkest hour that all is well.

We should pray daily for Christ to increase our faith. We may never know the weakness of our faith until we are placed in the fire of trials and worry. Happy is the person who finds by experience that his faith can stand the fire.

Jesus, our great High Priest, is very compassionate and tender-hearted. He knows us; He knows our weaknesses. He does not ignore us when we get things wrong. The prayer, even of little faith, is heard and gets an answer.

## Questions

1. How does Jesus deal with those who want to be His disciples?
2. How does Jesus deal with His disciples' fears?

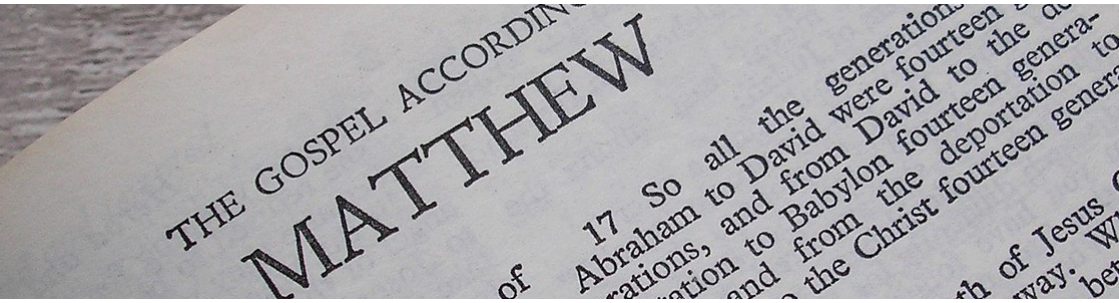
## Prayer Points

1. Pray that Christ would increase your faith.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters.

## Memory Verse

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied." Matthew 5:6

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### **Thursday - Matthew 8:28-34 - Demons Cast Out**

We need to get it firmly in our minds that there is such a being as the devil. This is a truth that is often overlooked or mocked. There is a mighty power full of endless hatred towards our souls. From the beginning of creation he has worked to hurt man; until the end of time, he will never stop tempting and causing trouble. We need to remember that the power of the devil is limited. Mighty as he is, there is One mightier still. As much as he wants to harm the world, he can only work by permission. The demons couldn't even hurt one of the pigs unless Jesus let them.

We need to remember that our Lord Jesus Christ is man's great deliverer from the power of the devil. He can redeem us not only from sin and from this evil world, but from the devil. It was prophesied that He should crush the serpent's head. He began to crush Satan when He was born; He triumphed over Satan when He died on the cross; and He showed His complete dominion over Satan by casting out demons when He was on the earth. Our great remedy, in all the attacks of the devil, is to cry to the Lord Jesus and seek His help. He can break the chains that Satan casts around us and set us free. He can cast out every devil that troubles our hearts. It would be terrifying to know that there is a devil near us, if we didn't also know that there is One more powerful, always near us, and ready to help.

The people of this region didn't care about anything but the loss of their pigs. They didn't care that two fellow creatures were freed from Satan's slavery; they didn't care that One greater than the devil was among them. They just saw Jesus as one who stood between them and their profits, and they wanted Him to go. This attitude is common even today, and we must always be careful that we don't love the world more than Christ.

### **Questions**

1. What should we remember about the devil?
2. How did the local people react to Jesus?

### **Prayer Points**

1. Give thanks for Christ's power over Satan.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters.

### **Memory Verse**

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied." Matthew 5:6

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## Friday - Matthew 9:1-13 - Knowing Men's Thoughts

Jesus knows what we think. The scribes probably thought that no one knew what was going on in their minds; they had yet to learn that the Son of God could read their hearts. Their malicious thought was publicly exposed; they were put to open shame. Nothing can be concealed from Christ. What do we think of in private, when no one is around? What are we thinking about in church, when it looks like we're paying attention? What are we thinking about right now? Jesus knows. Jesus sees. Jesus records. Jesus will one day ask us to give account. We should be thankful every day that the blood of Christ can cleanse us from all sin, and we should pray every day that what we say and think will be pleasing to God.

We see in these verses Matthew sitting, absorbed in his work, probably thinking of nothing but money and profit, but suddenly the Lord Jesus calls him to follow Him and become His disciple. At once Matthew obeys. With Christ nothing is impossible. He can take a tax-gatherer and make him an apostle. He can change any heart, and make all things new. Let us never despair of anyone's salvation. Let us keep on praying, and keep on speaking, and keep on working.

The Pharisees were ignorant of the reason why the Messiah came into the world. He came to be a Saviour and a healer of sin-sick souls. We need to have a sense of our own sin and be willing to come to Christ for deliverance. We are not to keep away from Christ because we feel bad, and wicked, and unworthy; we are to remember that sinners are those He came into the world to save. We're sinners the first day we come to Christ, and we continue to be sinners our whole lives, and we die sinners. Every hour we both need Christ's grace and are indebted to Christ's blood.

## Questions

1. What did the scribes and Pharisees not realise about Jesus?
2. How did Matthew respond to Christ?

## Prayer Points

1. Give thanks for your salvation.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters.

## Memory Verse

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## **Saturday - Matthew 9:14-26 - New Wine**

What the bridegroom is to the bride, the Lord Jesus is to the souls of all who believe in Him. He loves them with a deep and everlasting love; He takes them into union with Himself. He pays all their debts to God; He supplies all their daily needs; He sympathises with them in all their troubles; He does not reject them for a few weaknesses. He sees them as part of Himself; those that persecute and injure them are persecuting Him. The glory that He has received from His Father they will one day share with Him, and where He is, there shall they be. Such are the privileges of all true Christians. God joins our poor, sinful souls to one precious Husband; and those whom God joins together shall never be put asunder.

The woman that was healed said nothing, made no public confession of faith, but she had confidence that if she could only touch Christ's garment she would be made well. Our faith may be feeble; our courage may be small; our grasp of the Gospel, and its promises, may be weak and trembling, but the main question is, do we really trust only in Christ? Do we look to Jesus, and only to Jesus, for pardon and peace? If so, it is well. If we can not touch His garment, we can touch His heart. Weak faith is less comfortable than strong faith; weak faith will carry us to heaven with far less joy than strong faith; but weak faith is still faith, and the man or woman who has it, will never perish.

The more we see Christ's power, the more we have peace. Our position may be difficult; our hearts may be weak; the world may be hard to journey through; our faith may seem too small to take us home; but let us take courage when we think about Jesus. Greater is He that is for us, than all they that are against us.

### **Questions**

1. How is Christ like a bridegroom?
2. What can we learn from Christ's power?

### **Prayer Points**

1. Pray for the preaching and hearing of God's Word tomorrow.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters

### **Memory Verse**

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