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ORDER IN NEW TESTAMENT

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NUMBER OF CHAPTERS

28

TYPE

GOSPEL, SYNOPTIC

One of the Gospels, this book is an account and testimony of Jesus Christ. It was written by Matthew, an educated tax collector who was one of the original Twelve Apostles. His account is unique in that it was written for the Jewish people, to persuade them that Jesus was the promised Messiah. Matthew understood the importance of supporting his testimony with Old Testament prophecy, which he cited more than 50 times. The book is a balance of stories, teachings, miracles, and prophecies.

OVERVIEW

- 1** THE BIRTH OF CHRIST SINGULAR TO THIS GOSPEL
- 2** THE TEACHINGS OF CHRIST SINGULAR TO THIS GOSPEL
- 3** THE MIRACLES OF CHRIST SINGULAR TO THIS GOSPEL
- 4** THE PROPHECIES OF CHRIST SINGULAR TO THIS GOSPEL
- 5** THE DEATH, RESURRECTION, AND ASCENSION DETAILS SINGULAR TO THIS GOSPEL

WRITTEN 50-60 AD

TIME PERIOD COVERED 7 BC to 26 AD

AUTHOR Matthew the Apostle

<p>1 THE BIRTH OF CHRIST SINGULAR TO THIS GOSPEL</p> <p>MATTHEW 1-2</p> <p>Matthew gives the genealogy of Jesus Christ going back to Abraham. When Joseph is hesitant to wed Mary, an angel appears to him and tells him not to fear taking her as his wife. Matthew also tells of the Magi, Herod's slaughter of babies, the escape to Egypt, and Jesus's family's return to Nazareth.</p>	<p>2 THE TEACHINGS OF CHRIST SINGULAR TO THIS GOSPEL</p> <p>MATTHEW 3-25</p> <p>Matthew shares the Sermon on the Mount. Of the 23 parables included, nine are original and include the Parable of the Sower, the Parable of the Ten Virgins, and the Parable of the Sheep and the Goats.</p>	<p>3 THE MIRACLES OF CHRIST SINGULAR TO THIS GOSPEL</p> <p>MATTHEW 3-25</p> <p>Of the 18 miracles mentioned, Matthew tells of two that are unique: Peter walking on the sea, and the coin found in the fish to pay the temple tax. A healing of two blind men may also be unique.</p>	<p>4 THE PROPHECIES OF CHRIST SINGULAR TO THIS GOSPEL</p> <p>MATTHEW 3-25</p> <p>Matthew's account refers to Peter as the Rock of the future church. He also shares Christ's prophecies that the kingdom would be handed over to the Gentiles, that the destruction of the Temple would occur in less than 50 years, and a famous description of the End Times.</p>	<p>5 THE DEATH, RESURRECTION, AND ASCENSION DETAILS SINGULAR TO THIS GOSPEL</p> <p>MATTHEW 26-28</p> <p>Matthew recounts the 30 pieces of silver and suicide of Judas, Pilate's wife's disturbing dream, the earthquake at the Resurrection, and the great commission to share Christ's teachings with the world.</p>
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INTRODUCTION TO MATTHEW

Use your study Bible or our online resource guide at nwhills.com/hub and discover the background of this book!

Timeline & Key Surrounding Events

Note key events and dates surrounding this book on the timeline below.

Author, Date, and Recipients

Who wrote the book? When was it written? To whom was it written? Was it written in a specific style (poetry, law, letter, history...)?

Theme of the Book

What are some of the main points or key themes in this book?

Purpose & Background

Why was this book written? What is the historical scene that this book is being written in? How does this book fit into the bigger story of what God is doing?
