Matthew 1

"The Genealogy of Jesus Christ"

Introduction

- Mark: Gospel of the servant; written for Roman readers.
- Luke: as the perfect Son of Man, for the Greeks.
- John, much later was universal presented Him as the Son of God.
- Matthew
 - only one of the synoptic gospels (Matthew, Mark, and Luke) to have an apostolic author
 - wrote to his fellow Jews, presenting Jesus as the king and promised Messiah.

Introduction – Wiersbe Breakdown On "Doing and Teaching"

Narrative	Teaching	Transition
1-4	5-7	7:28
8:1-9:34	9:35-10:42	11:1
11:2-12:50	13:1-52	13:53
13:53-17:27	18:1-35	19:1
19:1-23:39	24:1-25:46	26:1
26:1-28:20	Passion Narrative	

Introduction – Wiersbe Breakdown On Six Major Messages

- **•Sermon on the Mount (5-7)**
- •Charge to the Apostles (10)
- Parables of the Kingdom (13)
- Lesson on Forgiveness (18)
- **Denunciation of the Pharisees (23)**
- Mount of Olives (24-25)

Introduction – Prominent Jewish Groups of the Time

- Pharisees original back to the Bible guys, concentrated on the Law of Moses and religious tradition
- Essenes segregated themselves to isolated areas, devoted themselves to holiness
- Zealots armed resistance against Rome, and any collaborators, drawing inspiration from the successful Maccabean revolt a few centuries before.

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- Sadducees A minority group that held most of the political and religious power.
 - Temple priests,
 - Aligned themselves with Rome believing Roman culture would become the status quo.
 - chief priest was often assigned by Rome instead of being chosen as biblically prescribed.
- Common people largest group. Belonged to none of these groups. Very often observant in their faith, but more invested in daily living.

1 Theme Statement

17 14...14...14

18-19 A Delicate Situation

20-21 An Angelic Visit in a Dream

22-23 Immanuel, God is With Us

24-25 Blessed Obedience

Taking It Home

MEMORY VERSE

Matthew 1:21 "And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name JESUS, for He will save His people from their sins."