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Now **faith** (πίστις pistis) is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.

Hebrews 11:1

And without **faith** it is impossible to please God

Hebrews 11:6



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# We have discussed the lives of

- Noah
- Abraham
- Moses
- Joshua
- Rahab
- Gideon
- David
- Haggai



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The passion of First Melissa is to  
**make disciples of Jesus**

**So... Who is Jesus?**

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# Promised Messiah

**PROPHECY:** “The Lord will give you a sign: The virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel.” Isaiah 7:14

**FULFILLMENT:** “...God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin’s name was Mary... the angel said to her... ‘You will be with child and give birth to a son, and you are to give Him the name Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High.’” Luke 1:26-27, 30-32

**PROPHECY:** “But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for Me One who will be ruler in Israel, whose origins are from of old, from the days of eternity.” Micah 5:2

**FULFILLMENT:** “Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea.” Matthew 2:1

**PROPHECY:** “Behold, your King is coming to you. He is just and having salvation, humble, lowly, and riding on a donkey, a colt, the foal of a donkey.” Zechariah 9:9

**FULFILLMENT:** “And they brought him to Jesus. And they threw their own clothes on the colt, and they set Jesus on him.” Luke 19:35



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# Promised Messiah

**PROPHECY:** “He was oppressed and He was afflicted, yet He opened not His mouth.” Isaiah 53:7

**FULFILLMENT:** “And while He was being accused by the chief priests and elders, He answered nothing.” Matthew 27:12

**PROPHECY:** “Because He poured out His soul unto death, He was numbered with the transgressors.” Isaiah 53:12

**FULFILLMENT:** “Then the two robbers were crucified with Him, one on the right and another on the left.” Matthew 27:38

**PROPHECY:** “And they made His grave with the wicked- but with the rich at His death.” Isaiah 53:9

**FULFILLMENT:** “There came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph...and [he] asked for the body of Jesus... When Joseph had taken the body, he wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, and laid it in his new tomb.” Matthew 27:57-60

**PROPHECY:** “And He bore the sin of many and made intercession for the transgressors.” Isaiah 53:12

**FULFILLMENT:** “God presented Him as a sacrifice of atonement, through faith in His blood...” Romans 3:25



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# Background of Jesus

**Matthew 1**  
**Luke 1, 2**



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# Birth of Jesus

Luke 2

Matthew 2



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Joseph and Mary are betrothed and travel 80-90 miles from Nazareth in Galilee to Bethlehem in Judea

Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David, in order to register along with Mary, who was engaged to him, and was with child. While they were there, the days were completed for her to give birth. Luke 2:4-6

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## The birth of Jesus

"For to you is born  
this day in the  
town of David a  
Savior, Who is  
Christ the Lord!"  
Luke 2:11

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The birth  
of Jesus

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# Angels appear to shepherds

## Luke 2



In the same region there were some shepherds staying out in the fields and keeping watch over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord suddenly stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them; and they were terribly frightened.  
Luke 2:8-9

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Shepherds  
visit  
Jesus

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Luke 2



# Jesus brought to the temple

"And when the time for their purification came according to the Law of Moses, they brought Him up to Jerusalem to present Him to the Lord." Luke 2:22

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## Visit of The Magi

Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, “Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we saw His star in the east and have come to worship Him.”  
Matthew 2:1-2



## The Magi

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# Family flees to Egypt

Matthew 2:13-14

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# Early Life of Jesus

- Family returns from Egypt
- Jesus grows up in Nazareth after age 3 or 4
- Jesus grows up in the household of Joseph and Mary
- Joseph's occupation was called in Greek tekton **τέκτων** (craftsman, carpenter, stonemason)
- When Jesus had finished these parables, He departed from there. He came to His hometown and began teaching them in their synagogue, so that they were astonished, and said, "Where did this man get this wisdom and these miraculous powers? Is not this the carpenter's son? Is not His mother called Mary, and His brothers, James and Joseph and Simon and Judas? And His sisters, are they not all with us? Where then did this man get all these things?" Matthew 13:53-56



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# Jesus, age 12, in the temple



"And all who heard Him were astonished at His understanding and answers." Luke 2:47

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# Jesus Begins His Public Ministry

“And when He began His ministry, Jesus Himself was about thirty years of age, being supposedly the son of Joseph, the son of Eli.”

Luke 3:23



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# Jesus baptized by John the Baptist

Then Jesus arrived from Galilee at the Jordan coming to John, to be baptized by him. But John tried to prevent Him, saying, “I have need to be baptized by You, and do You come to me?” But Jesus answering said to him, “Permit it at this time; for in this way it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he permitted Him. After being baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending as a dove and lighting on Him, and behold, a voice out of the heavens said, “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well-pleased.”

Matthew 3:13-17



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# Jesus baptized by John the Baptist



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# Jesus tempted in the wilderness

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.

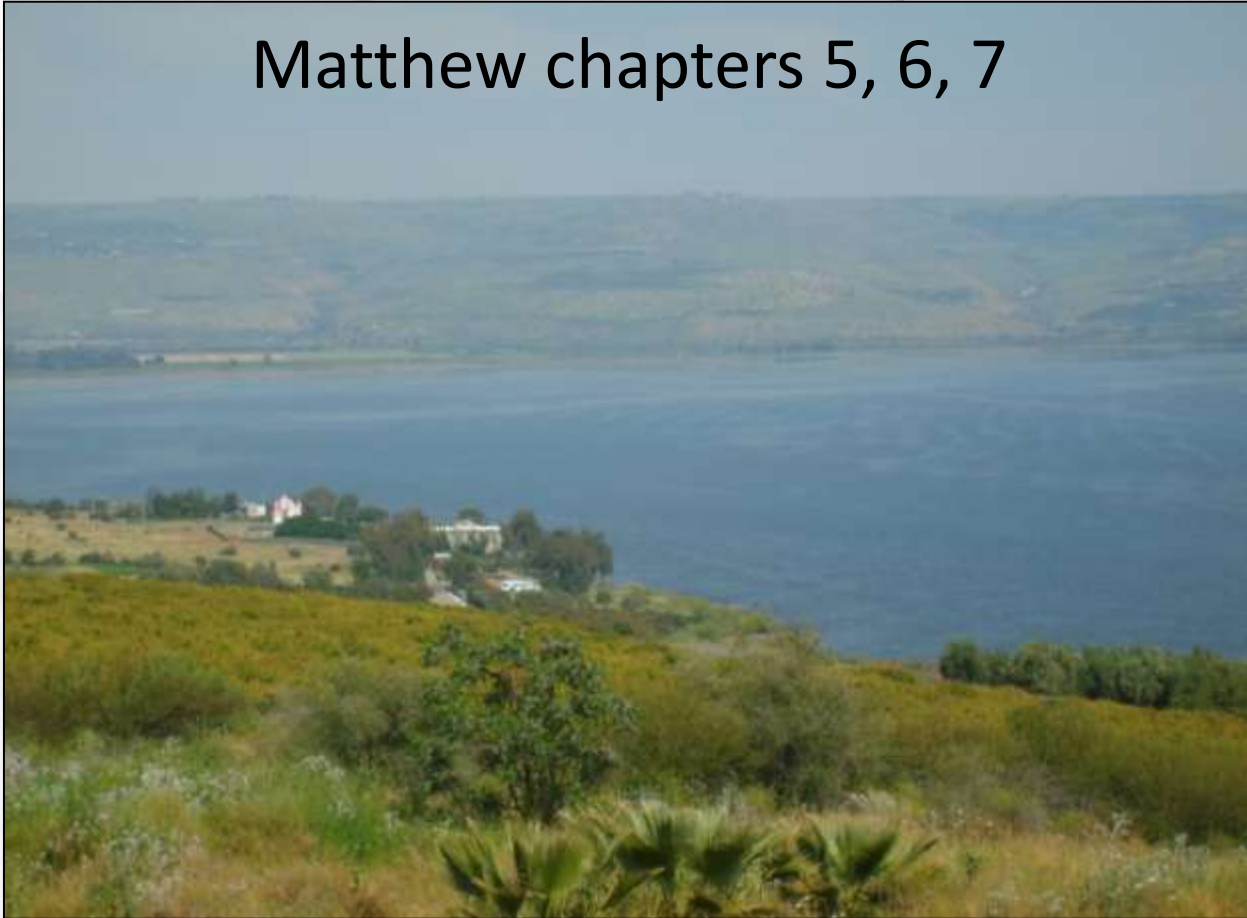
Matthew 4:1



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# Sermon on the Mount

Matthew chapters 5, 6, 7



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# Beatitudes

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the gentle, for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. Blessed are those who have been persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people insult you and persecute you, and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of Me.”  
Matthew 5:3-11



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Jesus begins a three year ministry of teaching, healing, miracles

As told in:

Matthew

Mark

Luke

John



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# Jesus' Transfiguration

Matthew 17:1-8



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# Jesus' Triumphant Entry (Palm Sunday)

## Matthew 21:1-11



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# Jesus gives Great Commandment

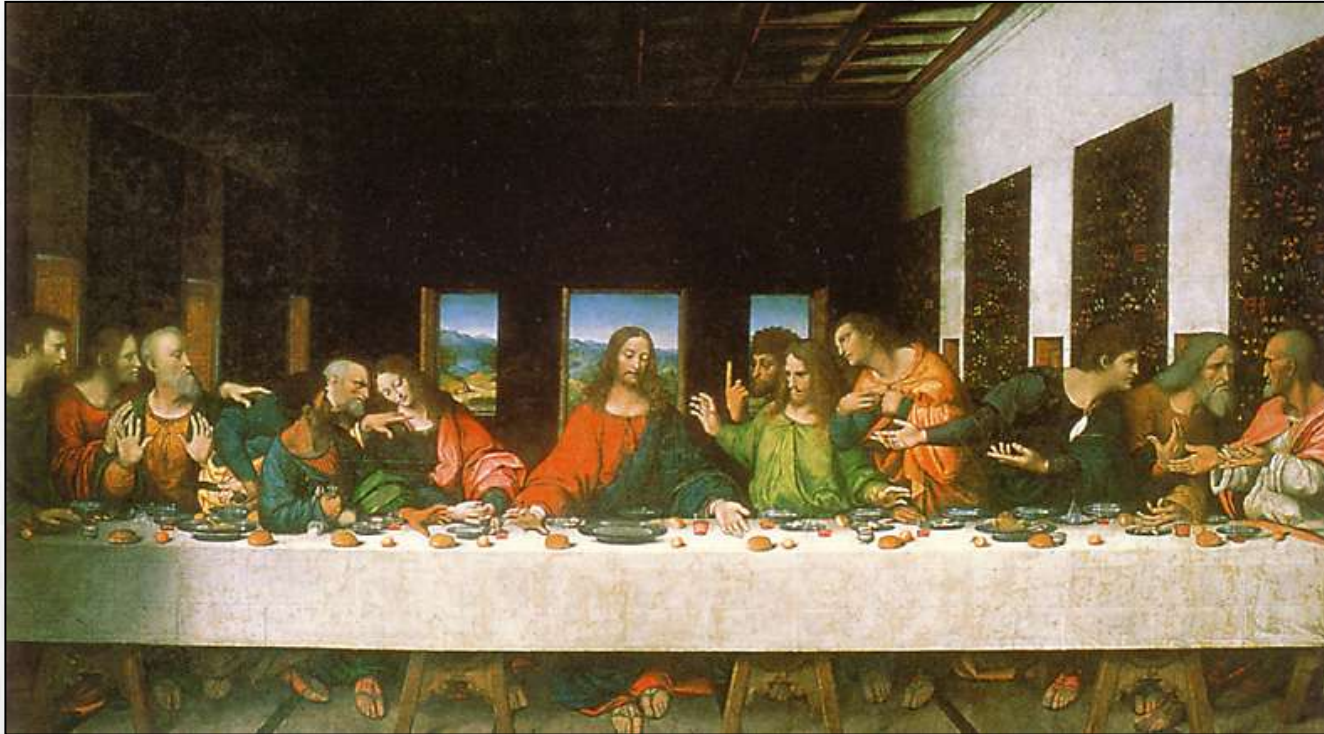
But when the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered themselves together. One of them, a lawyer, asked Him a question, testing Him, “Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?” And He said to him, “‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the great and foremost commandment. The second is like it, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ On these two commandments depend the whole Law and the Prophets.” Matthew 22:34-40



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# Jesus and His disciples celebrate Passover Meal (Last Supper)

Matthew 26:20-29



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**Jesus prays in garden of  
Gethsemane before His arrest**  
Matthew 26:36-56



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# Jesus on Trial

Before Caiaphas, Jewish high priest

Matthew 26:57-68

Before Pilate, Roman governor

Matthew 27:11-26



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# Crucifixion of Jesus

Matthew 27:33-61

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# Resurrection of Jesus

Now after the Sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to look at the grave. And behold, a severe earthquake had occurred, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled away the stone and sat upon it. And his appearance was like lightning, and his clothing as white as snow. The guards shook for fear of him and became like dead men. The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; for I know that you are looking for Jesus who has been crucified. "He is not here, for He has risen, just as He said. Come, see the place where He was lying. Go quickly and tell His disciples that He has risen from the dead; and behold, He is going ahead of you into Galilee, there you will see Him; behold, I have told you." Matthew 28:1-7



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# Jesus gives Great Commission

And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and **make disciples** of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” Matthew 28:18-20



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# Jesus Ascends To Heaven

So when they had come together, they were asking Him, saying, “Lord, is it at this time You are restoring the kingdom to Israel?” He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or epochs which the Father has fixed by His own authority; but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth.” And after He had said these things, He was lifted up while they were looking on, and a cloud received Him out of their sight. And as they were gazing intently into the sky while He was going, behold, two men in white clothing stood beside them. They also said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into the sky? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in just the same way as you have watched Him go into heaven.” Acts 1:6-11



# The Big Difference

Facts vs. Faith

Knowing About Jesus

vs.

Knowing Jesus



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# John 4



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Therefore when the Lord knew that the Pharisees had heard that Jesus was making and baptizing more disciples than John (although Jesus Himself was not baptizing, but His disciples were), He left Judea and went away again into Galilee. And He had to pass through Samaria. So He came to a city of Samaria called Sychar, near the parcel of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph; and Jacob's well was there. So Jesus, being wearied from His journey, was sitting thus by the well. It was about the sixth hour. John 4:1-6



There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give Me a drink." For His disciples had gone away into the city to buy food. Therefore the Samaritan woman said to Him, "How is it that You, being a Jew, ask me for a drink since I am a Samaritan woman?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water." She said to Him, "Sir, You have nothing to draw with and the well is deep; where then do You get that living water? "You are not greater than our father Jacob, are You, who gave us the well, and drank of it himself and his sons and his cattle?" John 4:7-12

\*Is there really someone greater than a great man?



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Jesus answered and said to her,  
“Everyone who drinks of this water will  
thirst again; but whoever drinks of the  
water that I will give him shall never  
thirst; but the water that I will give him  
will become in him a well of water  
springing up to eternal life.”

John 4:13-14

\*A relationship with Jesus offers you something  
you cannot find anywhere else



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# The Promised Messiah

- “Therefore you will joyously draw water from the springs of salvation.” Isaiah 12:3
- “For I will pour out water on the thirsty land and streams on the dry ground; I will pour out My Spirit on your offspring and My blessing on your descendants” Isaiah 44:3



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The woman said to Him, “Sir, give me this water, so I will not be thirsty nor come all the way here to draw.” He said to her, “Go, call your husband and come here.” The woman answered and said, “I have no husband.” Jesus said to her, “You have correctly said, ‘I have no husband’; for you have had five husbands, and the one whom you now have is not your husband; this you have said truly.” The woman said to Him, “Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet. Our fathers worshiped in this mountain, and you people say that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship.” John 4:15-20

\*If I don't know I am a sinner, I don't know I need a Savior



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Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe Me, an hour is coming when neither in this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But an hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for such people the Father seeks to be His worshipers. God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.” John 4:21-24



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The woman said to Him, “I know that Messiah is coming (He who is called Christ); when that One comes, He will declare all things to us.” Jesus said to her, “I who speak to you am He.” At this point His disciples came, and they were amazed that He had been speaking with a woman, yet no one said, “What do You seek?” or, “Why do You speak with her?” So the woman left her water pot, and went into the city and said to the men, “Come, see a man who told me all the things that I have done; this is not the Christ, is it?” They went out of the city, and were coming to Him.

John 4:25-30



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## It is important to know about

- Noah
- Joshua
- David
- Abraham
- Rahab
- Haggai
- Moses
- Gideon

## It is life-changing to know Jesus

Jesus answered and said to her, “Everyone who drinks of this water will thirst again; but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him shall never thirst; but the water that I will give him will become in him a well of water springing up to eternal life.” John 4:13-14

Now that you know who Jesus is, are you ready to follow Him?



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Pastor Trey Graham's new teaching series begins Sunday, August 12