

A wide-angle photograph of a desert landscape. In the foreground, a dirt road with tire tracks leads from the bottom center towards the middle ground. The terrain is sandy and sparsely covered with small, dry bushes. In the background, a range of rugged, brown mountains stretches across the horizon under a pale, overcast sky. The overall mood is desolate and expansive.

The Gospel of Matthew

WHY DID THE KING COME BUT NOT THE KINGDOM?

Outline to the book of Matthew:

I. The King Has Come 1:1-13:53

1. *The Incarnation and the preparation of the King 1:1 – 4:11*
2. *The Declaration of the Principles of the King 4:12 – 7:29*
3. *The Manifestation of the King 8:1 – 11:1*
4. *The Opposition to the King 11:2 – 13:53*

II. The Kingdom Has Not 13:54-28:20

5. *The Reaction of the King, 13:54 – 19:2*
6. *The Formal Presentation and Rejection of the King, 19:3 – 25:46*
7. *The Crucifixion and the Resurrection of the King, 26:1 – 28:20*

***Subpoints follow Stanley Toussaint's seven main divisions outlined in his commentary.

I. THE KING HAS COME 1:1 – 13:53

4. The Opposition to the King 11:2 – 13:53

(Matthew 11:16-30)

“Jesus’ exclusive offer of deliverance”

Outline –

1. Jesus compares the rejecting people 16-17
2. Jesus rebukes the rejecting cities 20-24
3. Jesus invites the remaining people 25-30

1- Jesus compares the rejecting people 16-17

A. Observations:

➤ The comparison vv. 16b-17

- Unsatisfied children
- Unsatisfied by John neither eating nor drinking
- Unsatisfied by Jesus eating and drinking.

➤ The explanation vv. 18-19

- The rejection of John v. 18
- The rejection of Jesus v. 19
- Despite these rejections there are “wise children”

1- Jesus compares the rejecting people 16-17

B. Summary/Application:

- The people were not satisfied by John as forerunner.
- The people were not satisfied by Jesus as Messiah.
- Do our misconceptions get in the way of believing truth?
- We must develop a biblical understanding of what God is doing in the world to ensure a proper response to current events.

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2- Jesus rebukes the rejecting cities 20-24

A. Observations:

➤ Chorazin and Bethsaida

- Tyre and Sidon would have repented v. 21
- More tolerable in the day of judgment for Tyre and Sidon v. 22

2- Jesus rebukes the rejecting cities 20-24

A. Observations:

- Chorazin and Bethsaida
- Capernaum v. 23
 - Their exaltation v. 23a
 - Their downfall v. 23b
 - Comparison to Sodom v. 23c
 - More tolerable in the day of judgment for Sodom v. 23

2- Jesus rebukes the rejecting cities 20-24

B. Summary/Application:

- Chorazin, Bethsaida, and Capernaum can expect worse judgment than Tyre, Sidon, and Sodom.
- They had greater revelation and rejected it.
- Man is responsible for the revelation available to them.
- Do we have the right response to revelation?

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A. Observations:

- The people that receive the revelation vv. 25-26
- The exclusivity of the revelation v. 27
- The invitation vv. 28-30

3- Jesus invites the remaining people 25-30

B. Summary/Application:

- What does it mean to be a “baby” in receiving revelation?
- What is the best way to “clear the debris” spiritually?
- How does Jesus reveal God to mankind?
- How is Jesus’ “yoke” easy and the burden light?
- Have we received Christ?
- How can we learn from this passage to teach others about Jesus?



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