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## MATTHEW

	<b>Announcement and Arrival of the King</b> <b>Main Emphasis:</b> His Credentials Birth Baptism Temptation  <b>CHAPTERS</b> 1-4	<b>Proclamation and Reception of the King</b> <b>Main Emphasis:</b> His Message Sermon on the Mount Miracles Discourses Parables  <b>CHAPTERS</b> 5-15	<b>Opposition and Rejection of the King</b> <b>Main Emphasis:</b> His Suffering and Death Spread of opposition Preparation of disciples Final predictions Crucifixion  <b>CHAPTERS</b> 16-27	<b>Resurrection and Triumph of the King</b> <b>Main Emphasis:</b> His Conquest God's power Great Commission  <b>CHAPTER</b> 28		
<b>The King</b>	His identity: Israel's promised King		His destiny: "Crucify Him!"			
<b>Scope</b>	Teaching the vast multitudes		Teaching the Twelve			
<b>Location</b>	Bethlehem and Nazareth	Ministry in Galilee	Ministry in Judea			
<b>People's Reaction</b>	Increased popularity		Increased hostility			
<b>Theme</b>	Jesus is the King, Israel's long-awaited Messiah.					
<b>Key Verses</b>	16:16-19; 28:18-20					
<b>Christ in Matthew</b>	Jesus, the Messiah, fulfills the prophecies, promises, types, and expectations of the Old Testament Scriptures (16:16-19; 28:18-20).					

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**Matthew 12:29-32** <sup>29</sup> Or how can someone enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man? Then indeed he may plunder his house. <sup>30</sup> Whoever is not with me is against me, and whoever does not gather with me scatters. <sup>31</sup> Therefore I tell you, every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven people, but the blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven. <sup>32</sup> And whoever speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven, but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven, either in this age or in the age to come.

Who is the strong man, where is his house, and who binds him?  
 What does it mean that those not with Jesus scatter?  
 What is the mission of the Holy Spirit?  
 Are we doomed if we have ever spoken against the Spirit?  
 How do we know if we have ever committed the unpardonable sin?

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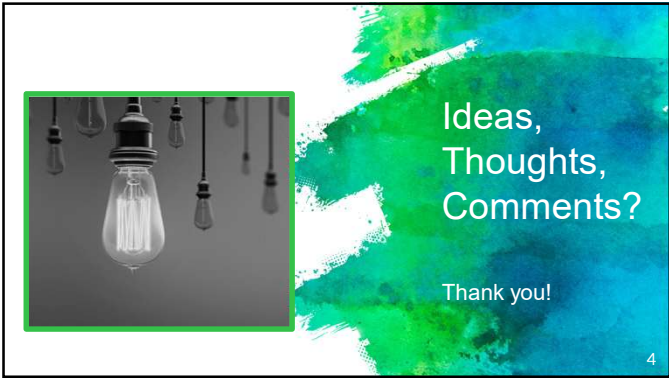
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