

Notes for Matthew 1:6-17

Hebrew & Greek pronunciation spelled phonetically

Matthew (*ma-tea-TYÁ-hu* in old Hebrew) means “Gift of the Lord”

Matthew was probably written before the destruction of the temple in A.D. 70, possibly as early as A.D. 50–65.

2 Samuel 7:12-16 – *“When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. 13 He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. 14 I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son. When he commits iniquity, I will discipline him with the rod of men, with the stripes of the sons of men, 15 but my steadfast love will not depart from him... 16 And your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me. Your throne shall be established forever.”*

In Gematria, seven is considered the number of completion, perfection, and covenant fullness. Fourteen is two sevens. If two sevens are good, then three must be better.

In ancient Israel, repeating something three times was very symbolic. Because the number 3 also represented completeness, and stability, and importance. We see “Holy, holy, holy” in Revelation 4:8, where four creatures chant it to the Lord and the Trinity is 3.

Revelation 4:8 - *And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and within, and day and night they never cease to say, “Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!”*

Isaiah 6:3 - *And one called to another and said: “Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory*

In Jewish Gematria the name David = 14 which is two 7's which is perfection and completeness doubled. 7 x 2 = 14

1 Kings 11:36 - *Yet to his son I will give one tribe, that David my servant may always have a lamp before me in Jerusalem, the city where I have chosen to put my name.*

Jeremiah 22:30 - *Thus says the Lord: “Write this man down as childless, a man who shall not succeed in his days, for none of his offspring shall succeed in sitting on the throne of David and ruling again in Judah.”*

Zera^ʿ (zeh'-reh) Hebrew word means offspring or descendent, but also meant seed. Written originally it was a way of saying biological offspring.

Zerubbabel supervised the rebuilding of the Temple as told in in Ezra 3:8-13 and Haggai 1 & 2

In John 2:19-21 Jesus identifies Himself as the true Temple: *“Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up”*

The Church is described as God’s new dwelling in Ephesians 2:20-22 and in 1 Peter 2:4-6 and Christ is the cornerstone.

Zechariah 4:6 - *Then he said to me, “This is the word of the Lord to Zerubbabel: Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, says the Lord of hosts.*

Christ’s death is described literally as an “exodus” in Greek in Luke 9:31, *Who appeared in glory and spoke of his **departure** = “**exodus**”, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem.*

Colossians 1:13 - *He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son*

The Greek “of whom” is a feminine singular pronoun: It literally refers to Mary alone, emphasizing she is the sole biological parent.

As Believers prayer is so important to us. Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ prayed often, privately and publicly. So should we.

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GOSPEL OF MATTHEW																		
Author	Apostle Matthew																	
Time	4 BC ca. - 33 AD ca.																	
Classification	Synoptic Gospel																	
Sections	PREPARATION											PROCLAMATION						
	Arrival of Jesus	Teaching of Jesus		Healing of Jesus		Reaction to Jesus		Parables of Jesus		Miracles of Jesus		Reaction to Jesus		Parables & Teaching of Jesus		Prophecies of Jesus		Finished Work of Jesus
Chapters	1	4	5	7	8	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	23	24	25	26	28	
Topics	Teaching All Men & Women						Teaching Disciples											
	Increasing Acceptance						Increasing Antagonism											
Place	Bethlehem Nazareth				Galilee							Jerusalem						

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