Mission 119 Ministries

HIGHLIGHTS IN MATTHEW

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TWO-FOLD PURPOSE

- Primary: Argue to a Jewish audience that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.
- Secondary: Explain the (delayed) Kingdom.
 - The Jewish people expected a literal kingdom to be established by the Christ right away and that didn't happen.

STUDY TIPS

- Read the book several times go big picture to small focus back to big picture, look for recurring words and themes
- Ask questions of the Text
- Put on your Jewish sandals we cannot expect to understand a thoroughly Jewish writing without some OT and Rabbinic background
- Let Matthew speak in his own way
 - e.g., see 2:15, 2:18 (prophecy?)

HIGH LEVEL OUTLINE

- Incarnation and Preparation of the King (1:1-4:11)
- Inaugural Address and the Revelation of the King (4:12-11:1)
- The King Opposed By Jewish Leadership (11:2-13:53) [the hinge]
- The King's Withdrawal and Reaction to Rejection (13:54-19:2)
- The King Rejected (19:3-25:46)
- Crucifixion and Resurrection (26:1-28:20)