



TRINITY
ON THE HILL

This Week's Word

Week 1: Matthew 1 - 7

The core theme of Matthew chapters 1 through 7 is the arrival and introduction of God's Kingdom through Jesus Christ, the promised Jewish Messiah and rightful King. Matthew presents Jesus as the ultimate authority—the new Moses and the Son of David—who fulfills Old Testament prophecies and establishes a new, upside-down kingdom.

High Points

- * The Genealogy and Birth of Jesus (Matthew 1): Traces Jesus' legal lineage back to Abraham and David, showing his right to the throne, followed by the angelic announcement to Joseph about the virgin birth.
- * Visit of the Magi and Flight to Egypt (Matthew 2): Foreign wise men worship the young child, and Joseph flees with Mary and Jesus to Egypt to escape King Herod's murderous plot.
- * The Baptism of Jesus (Matthew 3): John the Baptist baptizes Jesus in the Jordan River, where the heavens open, the Spirit descends like a dove, and God declares, "This is my beloved Son".
- * The Temptation in the Wilderness (Matthew 4): Jesus fasts for 40 days, overcomes three temptations by Satan, and begins calling his first disciples.
- * The Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5–7): Jesus delivers his premier teaching block on a mountain, outlining the Beatitudes, the Lord's Prayer, the Golden Rule, and practical principles for living as citizens of God's kingdom.

This Week's Reflections

What is God saying? How will I respond?