

MATTHEW

Chapters 1 & 2

Chapter 1

- 1) What is Matthew's purpose for Chapter 1 ? (verse 1)

- 2) What is significant about being a son of Abraham ? (*Genesis 17: 1-5, Genesis 18:17 - 19, Romans 4:12, and others*)

- 3) There are 5 people mentioned in Jesus' genealogy that stand out. Who do you think they are, and what is it that makes them stand out ?

- 4) What can we learn about God in this genealogy list from Matthew ?

- 5) What is significant about verses 18 & 19 ?

- 6) What do we learn about Joseph from verses 19 & 24 ?

- 7) What comes to mind as you think of the name "Immanuel" ? (verse 21)

Chapter 2

- 1) What is significant about the Magi ? (verses 1 & 2)

2) Do you find anything interesting about the responses of Herod and the people in verse 3 ?

3) What do we learn about God from the star ?

4) Where was Jesus when the Magi came to Him ? (verse 11)

5) Can you think of what the three gifts mentioned might symbolize ? (verse 11)

6) How old could Jesus have been when the Magi came to Him ? (verse 16)

7) From a human perspective, it looks like Herod was in control, and it was because of him that Jesus went to Egypt, and then came back and settled in Nazareth.
But who really was in control ? (verses 15 & 23)

7a) What can we learn about God from this ?

Summary:

1) What can we learn about God from this ?

1a) And how can we apply that to our lives today ?

Next week: Chapters 3 & 4