

Overview of Matthew

Gen 5:1 “This is the book of the generations of Adam”

- Genealogy

Matthew: The Gospel of the Kingdom

1:1-4:16 The Person of Jesus the King

1:1 “The book of the Generation of Jesus Christ”

- 1:1-17 Genealogy
- 1:18-25 Birth
- 2:1-23 Recognition & Preservation
- 3:1-17 Baptism
- 4:1-11 Temptation
- 4:12-16 Move to Capernaum (transition)

4:17-16:20 The Proclamation of Jesus the King

4:17 “From that time Jesus began to preach, ...”

- 4:18-11:30 Jesus calls Disciples
- 12:1-16:20 Growing Opposition

16:21-28:20 The Passion of Jesus the King

16:21 “From that time forth began Jesus to shew unto his disciples, ...”

- 16:21-17:21 Principles of Discipleship
- 17:22-20:16 Life in the Kingdom
- 20:17-25:46 Controversy in Jerusalem
- 26:1-28:20 Death & Resurrection

4:18-11:30 Preparation of the Disciples

Calling Disciples	4:18-22 the Four		9:36-10:4 the Twelve		11:2-30 Broader Invitation (v. 28)
Summary	4:23 And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.		9:35 And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.		Mat 11:1 And it came to pass, when Jesus had made an end of commanding his twelve disciples, he departed thence to teach and to preach in their cities.
Detail	ch. 5-7 Content for Teaching		ch. 8-9 Examples of Healing		10:5-42 Exhortations for Preaching

Overview of Matthew 12-13

The Invitation: Mat 11:28 Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

30 For my yoke *is* easy, and my burden is light.

The Decision:

	Ch. 12	Ch. 13
Public Rejection	1-45, the Pharisees reject the Lord	1-52, the Lord rejects unbelievers (by hiding his teaching in parables)
Private Rejection	46-50, the Lord rejects his family	53-58, his home town rejects the Lord

Overview of Matthew 12, AABAA

A, Rejection by Pharisees

1-8 Picking grain on the Sabbath
2 But when the **Pharisees** saw *it*, they said unto him, Behold, thy disciples do that which is not lawful to do upon the sabbath day.

9-14 Healing on the Sabbath
14 Then the **Pharisees** went out, and held a council against him, how they might destroy him.

22-37 Casting out a Demon
24 But when the **Pharisees** heard *it*, they said, This *fellow* doth not cast out devils, but by Beelzebub the prince of the devils.

38-45 Seeking a Sign
38 Then certain of the scribes and of the **Pharisees** answered, saying, Master, we would see a sign from thee.

B, Turning Toward the Gentiles

15-21 Healing great multitudes
18 he shall shew judgment to the **Gentiles**.
21 And in his name shall the **Gentiles** trust.

Two kinds of “devil”

Strong's 1228 διαβολος

~ English “devil,” βολ → vil

= OT Satan, the Accuser in the heavenly court

Matt 4:1-11; 13:39; 25:41

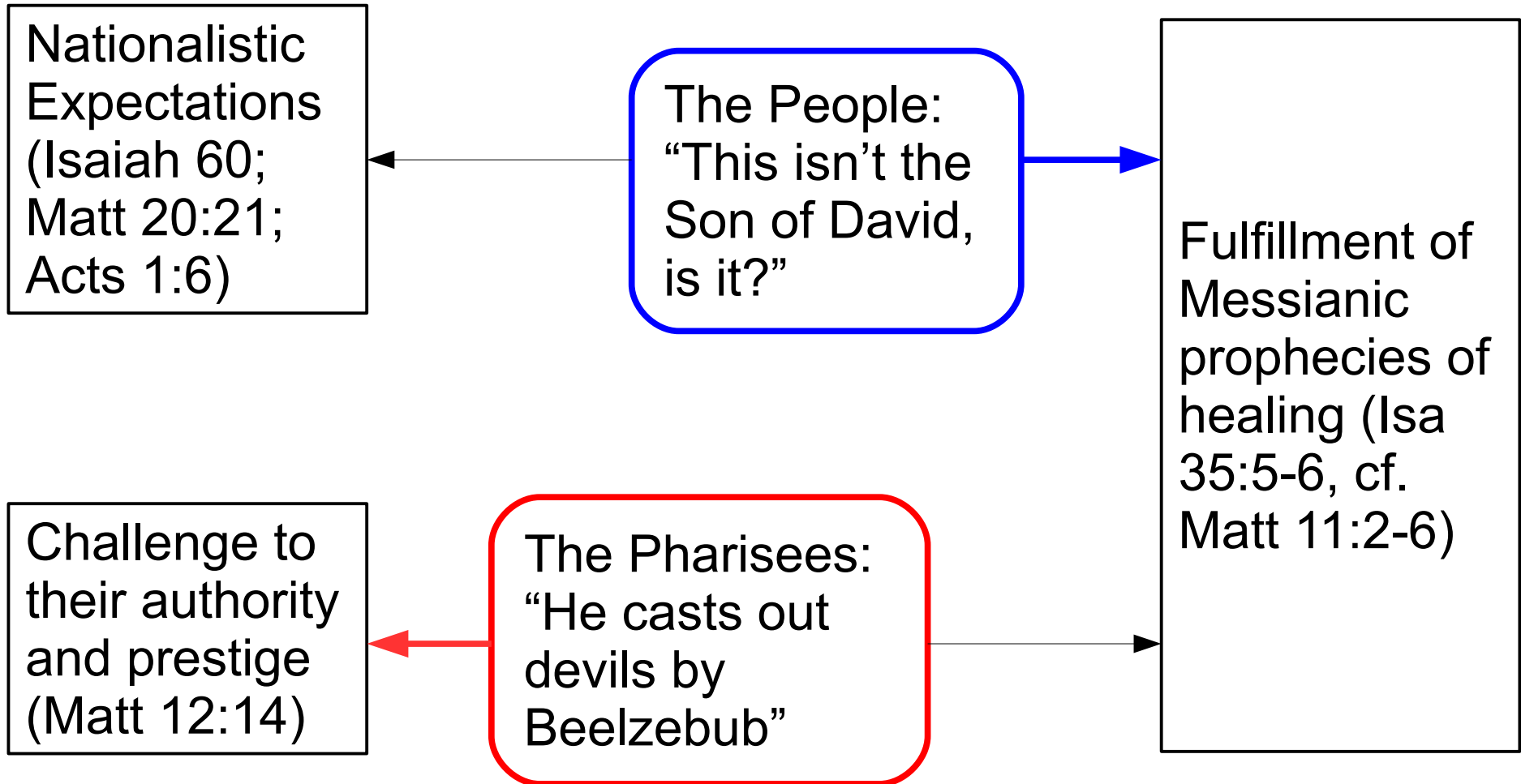
Strong's 1140 δαιμονιον (noun), 1139 δαιμονιζομαι (verb)

~ English “demon,” μον → mon

= fallen angels who followed Satan in his rebellion
(25:41 “the devil διαβολος **and his angels**”)

All other 19 instances of “devil” in Matthew

Opposing Forces, 22-24



12:25 And Jesus knew their thoughts...

Other examples:

Matt. 9:2 And, behold, they brought to him a man sick of the palsy, lying on a bed: and Jesus **seeing their faith** said unto the sick of the palsy; Son, be of good cheer; thy sins be forgiven thee. 3 And, behold, certain of the scribes said within themselves, This *man* blasphemeth. 4 And Jesus **knowing [seeing] their thoughts** said, Wherefore think ye evil in your hearts?

Matt. 16:7 And they reasoned among themselves, saying, *It is* because we have taken no bread. 8 *Which* when Jesus **perceived**, he said unto them, O ye of little faith, why reason ye among yourselves, because ye have brought no bread?

A sign of his deity:

1Sa 16:7 for *the LORD seeth* not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but **the LORD looketh on the heart.**

Two Chiastic Arguments

25b-30, From the nature of the **miracle**

<i>A divided kingdom cannot stand</i>	25b-26, Satan's kingdom cannot stand divided	30, Christ's kingdom is not divided
<i>Casting out demons shows God's power</i>	27 Jewish exorcists	28-29 "the kingdom of God is come unto you"

31-37, From the nature of their **speech**

<i>Its content</i>	31-32, blasphemy against the Holy Spirit	36, idle words
<i>Its source</i>	33, tree and fruit; 34, snakes and their spawn; 35, heart and words	

37, Summary: judged by your speech

Many Exorcisms

Matt. 4:24 And his fame went throughout all Syria: and they brought unto him all sick people that were taken with divers diseases and torments, and those which were **possessed with devils**, and those which were lunatick, and those that had the palsy; and he healed them.

Matt. 8:16 When the even was come, they brought unto him many that were **possessed with devils**: and he cast out the spirits with *his* word,

Matt. 8:28-29 And when he was come to the other side into the country of the Gergesenes, there met him two **possessed with devils**, coming out of the tombs, exceeding fierce, so that no man might pass by that way. 29 And, behold, they cried out, saying, What have we to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of God? art thou come hither to torment us before the time?

Matt. 10:8 Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, **cast out devils**:

Matt. 15:22 And, behold, a woman of Canaan came out of the same coasts, and cried unto him, saying, Have mercy on me, O Lord, *thou* Son of David; my daughter is grievously vexed with a **devil**. ... 28 Then Jesus answered and said unto her, O woman, great *is* thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt. And her daughter was made whole from that very hour.

Matt. 17:18 And Jesus rebuked the **devil**; and he departed out of him: and the child was cured from that very hour.

Victory of the Kingdom of God

Jewish exorcists:

Acts 19:13 Then certain of the vagabond Jews, exorcists, took upon them to call over them which had evil spirits the name of the Lord Jesus, saying, We adjure you by Jesus whom Paul preacheth.

Overcoming the Strong Man:

Isa. 49:24 Shall the prey be taken from the mighty, or the lawful captive delivered? 25 But thus saith the LORD, Even the captives of the mighty shall be taken away, and the prey of the terrible shall be delivered: for I will contend with him that contendeth with thee, and I will save thy children.

For and Against

Mark 9:38-40	Matt 12:22-37
9:38 And John answered him, saying, Master, we saw one casting out devils in thy name,	12:22 Then was brought unto him one possessed with a devil , blind, and dumb: and he healed him , insomuch that the blind and dumb both spake and saw.
and he followeth not us: and we forbad him , because he followeth not us.	24 But when the Pharisees heard <i>it</i> , they said, This fellow doth not cast out devils, but by Beelzebub the prince of the devils.
39 But Jesus said, Forbid him not: for there is no man which shall do a miracle in my name, that can lightly speak evil of me. 40 For he that is not against us is on our part.	30 He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not with me scattereth abroad.

[Gamaliel:] Acts 5:38 And now I say unto you, Refrain from these men, and let them alone: for if this counsel or this work be of men, it will come to nought: 39 But if it be of God, ye cannot overthrow it; lest haply ye be found even to fight against God.

[Paul:] Phil. 1:15 Some indeed preach Christ even of envy and strife; and some also of good will: 16 The one preach Christ of contention, not sincerely, supposing to add affliction to my bonds: 17 But the other of love, knowing that I am set for the defence of the gospel. 18 What then? notwithstanding, every way, whether in pretence, or in truth, Christ is preached; and I therein do rejoice, yea, and will rejoice.

The Convicting Work of the Spirit

Days of Noah

Gen. 6:3 And the LORD said, **My spirit** shall not always strive with man, for that he also *is* flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years.

Israel's History

Isa. 63:10 But they rebelled, and **vexed his holy Spirit**: therefore he was turned to be their enemy, *and* he fought against them.

Neh. 9:30 Yet many years didst thou forbear them, and testifiedst against them **by thy spirit** in thy prophets: yet would they not give ear:

Last days

Zech. 12:10 And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the **spirit** of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for *his* only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for *his* firstborn.

Now

Jn. 16:7 if I go not away, the **Comforter** will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. 8 And when he is come, **he will reprove** the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:

The Issue Characterizes the Source

Trees:

Matt. 7:16 Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? 17 Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. 18 A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither *can* a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.

Gen. 1:11 And God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, *and* the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed *is* in itself,

Snakes:

Matt. 3:7 But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees come to his baptism, he said unto them, O **generation of vipers**, who hath warned you to flee from the wrath to come?

Matt. 23:33 Ye serpents, ye **generation of vipers**, how can ye escape the damnation of hell?

Gen. 3:15 And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between **thy seed** and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

Rom 16:20 And the God of peace shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen.

Mat 13:38 The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the **children of the wicked one**;

Jn 8:44 Ye are of *your father the devil*, and the lusts of your father ye will do.

1 John 3: Commentary on Genesis 3

The devil's family

1 Jn. 3:8 He that committeth sin is **of the devil** [related to the devil]; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. ...

The two seeds (personal)

... For this purpose **the Son of God** was manifested, that he might destroy the works of **the devil**.

The two seeds (corporate)

1 John 3:9 Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God. 10 In this the **children of God** are manifest, and the **children of the devil**: whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother.

The devil's family (again)

1 John 3:11 For this is the message that ye heard from the beginning, that we should love one another. 12 Not as Cain, *who* was **of that wicked one** [related to the wicked one], and slew his brother. And wherefore slew he him? Because his own works were evil, and his brother's righteous.

The Importance of Words

Idle Words:

Eph. 5:4 Neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor **jesting**, which are not convenient: but rather giving of thanks.

Prov. 26:18 As a mad man who casteth firebrands, arrows, and death, 19 So is the man that deceiveth his neighbour, and saith, **Am not I in sport?**

Guard your speech:

Ps. 34:11 Come, ye children, hearken unto me: I will teach you the fear of the LORD. 12 What man *is he that* desireth life, *and* loveth *many* days, that he may see good? 13 **Keep thy tongue from evil, and thy lips from speaking guile.** 14 Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it.

Prov. 13:2 A man shall eat good **by the fruit of his mouth**: but the soul of the transgressors *shall eat* violence. 3 He that **keepeth his mouth** keepeth his life: *but* he that openeth wide his lips shall have destruction.

Jas. 3:2 For in many things we offend all. If any man **offend not in word**, the same *is* a perfect man, *and* able also to bridle the whole body.