

# The Gospel of Matthew

## Class # 2 – January 28, 2014

### **The Proclamation of the Kingdom (3:1-7:29)**

- 1) The Preaching of John the Baptist (3:1-12)
- 2) The Baptism of Jesus (3:13-17)
- 3) The Temptation of Jesus (4:1-11)
- 4) The Beginning of the Galilean Ministry (4:12-17)
- 5) The Call of the First Disciples (4:18-22)
- 6) Ministering to a Great Multitude (4:23-25)
- 7) Sermon on the Mount (5:1-7:29)
  - a. Introduction of the Sermon on the Mount (5:1-2)
  - b. Beatitudes (5:3-12)
  - c. The Similes of Salt and Light (5:13-16)
  - d. Teaching about the Law (5:17-20)
  - e. Teaching about Anger (5:21-26)
  - f. Teaching about Adultery (5:27-30)
  - g. Teaching about Divorce (5:31-32)
  - h. Teaching about Oaths (5:33-37)
  - i. Teaching about Retaliation (5:38-42)
  - j. Love of Enemies (5:43-48)
  - k. Teaching about Almsgiving (6:1-4)
  - l. Teaching about Prayer (6:5-7)
  - m. The Lord's Prayer (6:9-13)
  - n. Teaching about Fasting (6:16-18)
  - o. Treasure in Heaven (6:19-21)
  - p. Light of the Body (6:22-23)
  - q. God and Money (6:24)
  - r. Dependence on God (6:25-34)
  - s. Judging Others (7:1-5)
  - t. Pearls before Swine (7:6)
  - u. The Answer to Prayers (7:7-11)
  - v. The Golden Rule (7:12)
  - w. The Narrow Gate (7:13-14)
  - x. False Prophets (7:15-20)
  - y. The True Disciple (7:21-23)
  - z. The two Foundations (7:24-29)

Read the Gospel of Matthew from 3:1-7:29

Read The New Collegeville Bible Commentary pages 11-48 (optional)

# Head, Heart, Hands

Matthew 4:1-17

## Head

Try to summarize the text without looking back at the text. Answer the questions of who? What? Where? When? Name the people involved.

## Heart

Write the meaning of the text. Describe the spiritual meaning of the text that transcends time and culture.

## Hands

How does it call you to respond today? How are you challenged by the Gospel?

# Personal Reflection

## Matthew 7:21-23

Find a quiet place, go to Adoration, go to a chapel or a quiet room, sit in a prayer chair, facing something inspiring such as a window or a crucifix, light a candle or do something to create a personal, prayerful space.

Write the text and a running reflection

Write the Text

What strikes you during your reading?

### Share Faith on Matthew 5:17-20

Answer the questions:    What strikes you as you read the text?  
                                  What challenges or consoles you in the text?  
                                  How can this text be relevant today for me and others?

## The “Our Father”

### *Matthew 6:9-13*

“This is how you are to pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread;  
and forgive us our debts,  
as we forgive our debtors;  
and do not subject us to the final test,  
but deliver us from the evil one.

### *Luke 11:2-4*

He was praying in a certain place, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray just as John taught his disciples.”

He said to them, “When you pray, say:  
Father, hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come.

Give us each day our daily bread\*  
and forgive us our sins  
for we ourselves forgive everyone in debt to us,  
and do not subject us to the final test.”

Describe how they are different and the logical reasons for the differences.

Look up the following verses:

Matthew 26:42

Proverbs 30:8-9

Matthew 148:21-22

Sirach 28:2

John 17:15

2 Thessalonians 3:3