

AUGUST 29, 2021

MATTHEW

MIKE GOLDSWORTHY- GUEST SPEAKER

Obedience

Matthew 1:18-25

Matthew 1:18-19

This is how the birth of Jesus the Messiah came about: His mother Mary was pledged to be married to Joseph, but before they came together, she was found to be pregnant through the Holy Spirit. Because Joseph her husband was faithful to the law, and yet did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly.

Amos 4:4

Go to Bethel and sin...

Galatians 5:12

As for those agitators, I wish they would go the whole way and emasculate themselves!

1 Timothy 5:23

Stop drinking only water, and use a little wine because of your stomach and your frequent illnesses.

“Joseph, therefore, refused to act according to the ____, but rather chose to act in a manner that _____ would later _____ by his attitude toward known sinners

~ Stanley Hauerwas, Matthew

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Matthew 9:10-13

While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and sinners came and ate with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" On hearing this, Jesus said, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. But go and learn what this means: 'I desire _____, not _____.' For I have not come to call the _____, but _____."

"...if the law, strictly applied, was getting in the way of that love [the love that God wants to display in pursuing and caring for people], as it flowed out to reach and heal people in desperate need, then it was the law that was wrong. _____ matter more than _____, even when the 'things' are part of the biblical law."

~N.T. Wright, Matthew for Everyone

Matthew 1:20-25

But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins."...(cont.)

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...(cont.)...All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: “The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him _____” (which means “God with us”). When Joseph woke up, he did what the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took Mary home as his wife. But he did not consummate their marriage until she gave birth to a son. And he gave him the name Jesus.

Galatians 4:24

The law was like those Greek tutors, with which you are familiar, who escort children to school and protect them from danger or distraction, making sure the children will really get to the place they set out for.