

February 1

Matthew

- 1-4 Affirming Jesus' Royalty vs Satan's Temptations
- 4 Invitation—Come, *Follow Me*
- Dec 21 – *A History of Christmas*
- 5 True **Love** in the Beatitudes
- 6 **Treasure & Lord's Prayer**
- 7 **Narrow Gate & Rock House**
- 8-9 Every Life Valued – Jesus Heals & Raises Dead

Sermon on
the Mount

Calms the STORM

- 10 Sends 12 with Instructions
- 11 Confronting Doubts – John the Baptist
Father Revealed in the Son
- 12 Rejecting Legalism – Sabbath & Satan
- 13 Judgment Coming – Parable of Sower



Matthew, c. 1625
by Frans Hal

Sea
of Galilee

Matthew 9:36 ~ When he saw the
crowds, he had *COMPASSION* ...
they were harassed & helpless,
like sheep without a shepherd

Christ in the Storm on the
Lake of Galilee, 1633
Rembrandt (1606-1669)



All Invited

Marriage of

Michael Maness

Virginia Haynes

Saturday, Feb 14, 10 a.m.

FBC Chapel



Charles H. Spurgeon on Matthew 8:27 preached Oct 6, 1881 – Thursday Evening

“With Disciples on the Lake of Galilee” – storm on Galilee

THIS story of the tempest upon the lake is wonderfully full of spiritual interest.

Not only does it, *literally*, show to us the divine power of our blessed Master in lulling the tempest, rendered the more conspicuous by being

placed side by side with the human weakness

which made HIM

SLEEP IN THE SHIP UPON A PILLOW;



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but, spiritually, it is a kind of ecclesiastical history, a
miniature outline of the story of the CHURCH IN ALL AGES.

Nay, the teaching ends not when you have read the incident
in that light, it also contains a suggestive forecast of the

story of EVERY MAN who is making the

Spiritual Voyage in

company with Jesus



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Sometimes, we just need to HEAR

“Be Happy!”

I know, I truly *KNOW* it's
NOT that simple

Sometimes it's

IMPOSSIBLE ...

Still, just for FUN ...

from time to time ...

it's just nice to HEAR



Outlined of the SHORT report on Jesus' Life in the Gospel of Matthew

1-2 Birth and Infancy of Jesus

3-4 Beginning of Jesus's Ministry in Galilee

A History of Christmas – Matt 1-2 & Luke 1-2

5-7 **Discourse 1—Sermon on the Mount**

5 True **Love** in Beatitudes Dec 28

6 Treasure & Lord's Prayer Jan 4

7 **Narrow Gate & Rock House** Jan 11

8-9 **Jesus' First Miracles**

10 **Discourse 2**—Ministry of Jesus' Disciples – Instructions

11-12 Responses to Jesus's Ministry

13 **Discourse 3**—Parables about the Kingdom

14-17 Close of Jesus' Ministry in Galilee

18 **Discourse 4**—Character of Jesus' Disciples

19-20 Jesus' Ministry on Way to Jerusalem

21-23 Jesus' Ministry in Jerusalem

24-25 **Discourse 5**—Last Days: No One Knows the HOUR

26-27 Betrayal, Crucifixion, Burial

28 Resurrection & Commission



Matthew 8-9 – Jesus' First Miracles

Matthew 8

1-4 Jesus Heals a Man With Leprosy

5-13 Faith of the Centurion – Servant Healed

14-17 Jesus Heals Many

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23-27 Jesus Calms the Storm

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**Quarterly dealt with these
and then these**



As we look briefly as Matthew 8-9 – notice that **ALL** the people
rather, it is not hard to conceive that **ALL** the people in these chapters

are in a GREAT Storm ...

- ✓ Sometimes ... from time to time ... occasionally ...
- ✓ Every now and then ... preferably rarely ...
- ✓ Prayerfully **NOT** often ... yet ... **SOMETIMES** ...

The STORM is the GREATEST TEACHER ...

for then we look to Jesus with **EYES WIDE** – full attention



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The **STORM** is the **GREAT**



Matthw 8-9 – **Jesus' First Miracles**

1-4 Jesus Heals a Man With Leprosy

8:1 When Jesus came down from the mountainside, large crowds followed him.

2-4 Man with **LEPROSY** ... “Lord, if you are willing...
“I am willing,” he said. “Be clean!”

Immediately ... cleansed....

“See that you don't tell anyone.

But go, show yourself to the priest....”

In that day, LEPERS were cursed – i.e.,
They *LIVED* every day in GREAT STORM



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“With Disciples on the Lake of Galilee” – storm on Galilee

I scarcely know of any apter picture of a church
than a ship upon the treacherous Galilean sea....

Our ship has her calms, but these last not for ever.

Her sail is sure to be weather-beaten at one time or another....

The vessel which has Jesus for its captain
is destined to feel the tempest.

Christ has not come to send peace on earth,
but a sword ... his own declaration, and

He knows His own intent.



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Matthw 8-9 – **Jesus' First Miracles**

14-17 Jesus Heals Many

14 When Jesus came into Peter's house,
he saw Peter's mother-in-law lying in bed with a fever.

15 He touched her hand & the fever left her....

16 When evening came, MANY who were demon-possessed ...
He drove out the spirits with a word &

HEALED ALL THE SICK.

17 This was to fulfill ... prophet Isaiah:

**“He took up our infirmities
and bore our diseases.”**

Easy to see GLOBAL nature of this prophecy

Easier to see in Jesus' day the mystery &

horror of DISEASE – a vicious STORM



Matthw 8-9 – **Jesus' First Miracles**

18-22 **Cost of Following Jesus**

18 **When Jesus saw the crowd around him,**

he gave orders to cross to the other side of the lake.

19 **teacher of the law ... “Teacher, I will follow you wherever you go.”**

20 **Jesus replied, “Foxes have dens and birds have nests,
but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head.”**

21 **Another disciple said to him,**

“Lord, first let me go and bury my father.”

22 **But Jesus told him, “Follow ME,
and let the dead bury their own dead.”**

There's a COST to Following Jesus

Sometimes LONLINESS ... Inconvenience

We cannot see most STORMS coming

There is no SPIRITUAL Accuweather



Matthw 8-9 – **Jesus' First Miracles**

23-27 Jesus Calms the Storm

23 Then he got into the boat and his disciples followed him.

24 Suddenly a **FURIOUS STORM** CAME UP ON THE LAKE,
so that the waves swept over the boat.

BUT JESUS WAS SLEEPING.

25 The disciples went & woke him, saying,

“Lord, save us! We’re going to drown!”

26 He replied, “You of little faith, why are you so afraid?”

Then he got up & rebuked the winds & the waves, *and*

it was completely calm

27 The men were amazed and asked,

“What kind of man is this?”

We shall return to the STORM soon ...



Matthw 8-9 – **Jesus' First Miracles**

28-34 Jesus Restores Two Demon-Possessed Men

28 When he arrived at the other side in the region of the Gadarenes, two demon-possessed men coming from the tombs met him.

They were so violent that **NO ONE** could pass that way.

29 “What do you want with us, Son of God?” they shouted.

**Profound
verse**

“Have you come here to torture us
BEFORE the appointed time?”

30 Some distance ... a large herd of pigs was feeding.

31 The demons begged Jesus,

“If you drive us out, send us into the herd of pigs.”

32 He said to them, “**Go!**”

One thing for certain—two men **LIVED** the Storm



Matthw 8-9 – **Jesus' First Miracles**

28-34 Jesus Restores Two Demon-Possessed Men

32 He said to them, “Go!”

So they [Demons] came out & went into the pigs, & the whole herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and DIED IN THE WATER.

33 Those tending the pigs ran off ... town & reported ALL including what had happened to the DEMON-POSSESSED MEN.

34 Then the whole town went out to meet Jesus. And when they saw him, they pleaded with him to leave their region.

What kind of STORM were the town people LIVING that they wished Jesus to LEAVE



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are in a **GREAT Storm ...**



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“With Disciples on the Lake of Galilee” – storm on Galilee

Every sail of the good ship which bears the flag of the

Lord High Admiral of our fleet

must be beaten with the wind,

every plank in her must be tried by the waves.

To Christ’s church there are many storms,

and some of them of the most terrible character.

Of heresy: ah, how near to wrecking has she been

with the false doctrines of Gnosticism, & worse

Of persecution she has

CONSTANT EXPERIENCE



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Matthw 8-9 – **Jesus' First Miracles**

5-13 Faith of the Centurion – Servant Healed

When Jesus had entered Capernaum, a centurion came to him,
... “my servant lies at home **PARALYZED**, suffering terribly.”

7 Jesus said to him, “**Shall I come & HEAL him?**”

8 The centurion replied, “Lord, I **DO NOT DESERVE** to have
you come under my roof.... **SAY** the word....

10 When Jesus heard this, he was amazed and said,
“Truly I tell you, I have not found anyone in Israel
with such GREAT FAITH.

11-13 ... many will come from the east & the west, and take
their places at the **FEAST** with Abraham, Isaac & Jacob ...

13 Then Jesus said to the centurion, “Go! Let it be done....
And his servant was healed at that moment.



Matthw 8-9 – **Jesus' First Miracles**

9:1-8 Jesus Forgives and Heals a Paralyzed Man

1 Jesus stepped into a boat, crossed & and came to his own town.

2 Some men brought to him a paralyzed man, lying on a mat.

When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the man,

“Take heart, son; your sins are forgiven.”

3 Some of the teachers of the law said to themselves,

“This fellow is blaspheming!”

4-5 teachers of law put in place – **“knowing their thoughts”**

6 But I want you to know that the

Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins.”

So he said to the paralyzed man,

“Get up, take your mat and go home.”

7 Then the man got up and went home.

8 When the crowd saw this, they were filled with awe;

they praised God, who had given such authority to man.



Matthw 8-9 – Jesus' First Miracles

9-13 Calling of Matthew – *for another time*

14-17 Jesus Questioned About Fasting

**14 Then JOHN'S DISCIPLES came and asked him,
“How is it that WE and the Pharisees fast often,
but your DISCIPLES do NOT FAST?”**

**15 Jesus answered, “How can the guests of the bridegroom
MOURN while he is with them?**

**The time will come when the bridegroom
will be taken from them; THEN THEY WILL FAST.**

**16-17 “No one sews a patch of unshrunk cloth on an
old garment ... or pour new wine into old wineskins....**

Between “Fasting” & the “bridegroom” ???

John said in 3:30 “He must increase, I must decrease”

There is a lot of mystery to these verses



Matthw 8-9 – Jesus' First Miracles

18-26 Jesus Raises a Dead Girl & Heals a Sick Woman

**18 ... a synagogue leader came and knelt before him and said,
“My daughter has just died. But come & put your hand on her,
and SHE WILL LIVE.”**

19 Jesus got up & went with him, so did his disciples.

**20 Just then a woman who had been subject to bleeding
for twelve years came up behind him &
touched the edge of his cloak.**

**21 She said to herself, “If I only touch his cloak,
I WILL BE HEALED.”**

**22 Jesus turned and saw her. “Take heart, daughter,”
“YOUR FAITH HAS HEALED YOU.”
And the woman was HEALED AT THAT MOMENT.**

What STORMS they faced ... What storms WE FACE



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“With Disciples on the Lake of Galilee” – storm on Galilee

Of persecution she has constant experience.

but sometimes exceeding vehement has the tornado been.

In the early stages of church history, the

Pagan persecutions of Rome followed thick & fast ...

When Giant Pagan had emptied out all his fury

there came a worse tyrant, whose magical arts

raised hurricanes of wind against the

good ship, **our Church**



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Matthw 8-9 – **Jesus' First Miracles**

18-26 Jesus Raises a Dead Girl & Heals a Sick Woman

23 When Jesus entered the synagogue leader's house and saw the noisy crowd and people playing pipes,

24 Jesus said, "Go away. The girl is not dead but asleep."
But they *laughed* at him.

25 After the crowd had been put outside,
he went in & took the girl by the hand, & she got up.

26 News of this spread through all that region.

Raises the DEAD!

We cannot conceive the impact!



Matthw 8-9 – Jesus' First Miracles

27-34 Jesus Heals the Blind and the Mute

**27 As Jesus went on from there,
two blind men followed him, calling out,
“Have mercy on us, Son of David!”**

**28 When he had gone indoors, the blind men came to him,
and he asked them,
“Do you believe that I am able to do this?”**

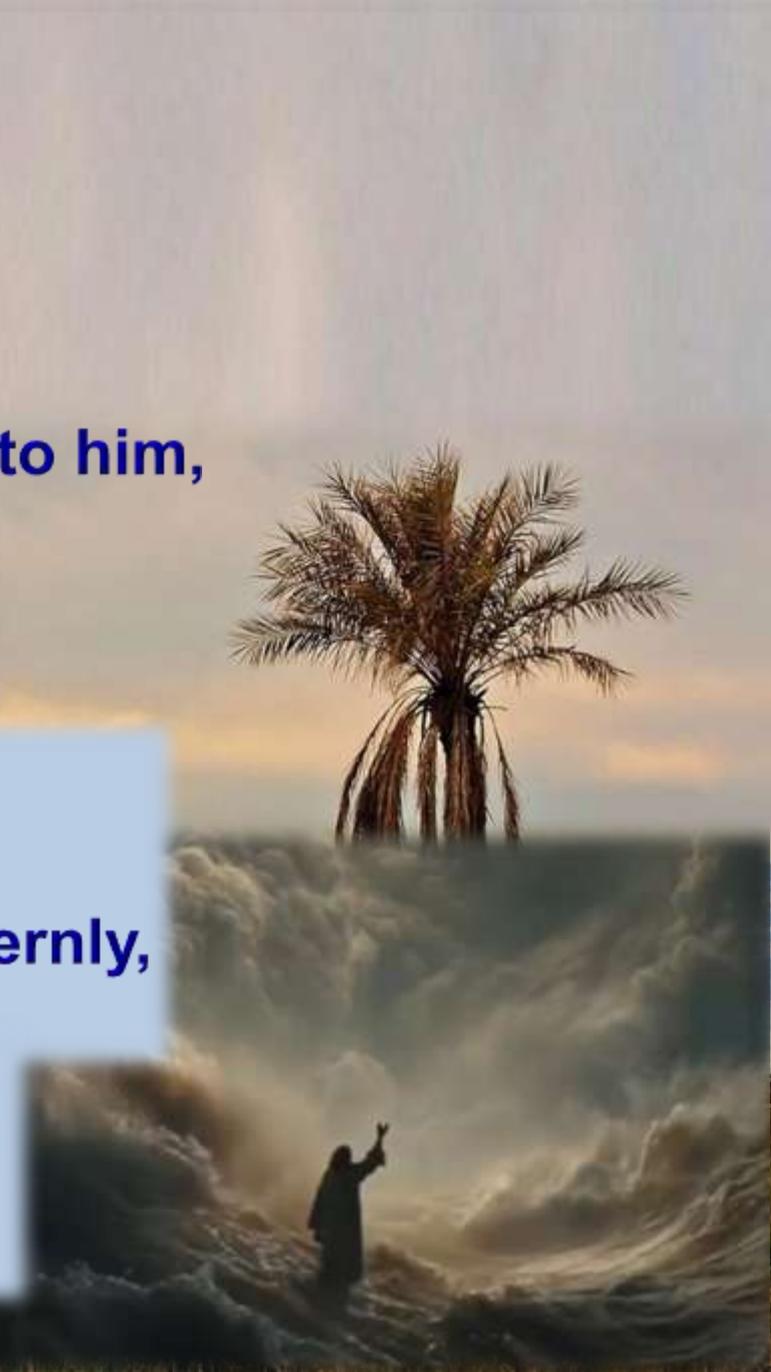
“Yes, Lord,” they replied.

**29 Then he touched their eyes and said,
“According to your faith let it be done to you”**

**30 Their sight was restored. Jesus warned them sternly,
“See that no one knows about this.”**

31 But they went out & spread the news about him

ALL OVER THAT REGION.



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“With Disciples on the Lake of Galilee” – storm on Galilee

There sat at Rome a harlot who persecuted the saints exceedingly, being drunken with their blood.

Then there raged a cyclone which almost drove the boat out of the water, and drenched and well-nigh drowned her crew.



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Matthw 8-9 – **Jesus' First Miracles**

27-34 Jesus Heals the Blind and the Mute

31 But they went out & spread the news about him
ALL OVER THAT REGION.

32 While they were going out, a man who was **DEMON-POSSESSED**
and could **NOT TALK** was brought to Jesus.

33 And when the demon was driven out,
the **MAN WHO HAD BEEN MUTE SPOKE.**

The crowd was amazed and said,

“Nothing like this has ever

BEEN SEEN IN ISRAEL.”

34 But the Pharisees said,

“It is by the **PRINCE OF DEMONS....”**

TALK about **STORM?!?**

So confused, they make **“Evil Good & Good Evil!”**



Matthw 8-9 – **Jesus' First Miracles**

35-38 Workers Are Few

**35 Jesus went through all the towns & villages, teaching ...
proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and**

Healing *EVERY* Disease & Sickness

**36 When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them,
because they were harassed and helpless,
like sheep without a shepherd.**

Storm-Driven ... Harassed ... Helpless

Shipped Wrecked ... Foundering ...

Shipped Tossed ... on a Tumultuous Sea

Weather Beaten ... waves' white foam crashing

LIFE is TOUGH – Hard – Tedious – Grueling

Laborious – Strenuous – HEAVY



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“With Disciples on the Lake of Galilee” – storm on Galilee

A fierce Euroclydon beat upon our royal vessel,
so that the waves threatened to swallow her up quick.

Tears & blood covered the saints as with a salt and
crimson spray hers was no pleasure-trip;

She—our Church—went forth like the lifeboat,
fashioned for the purpose of

outriding the tempest



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9:35-38 Workers Are Few

like sheep without a shepherd.

37 Then he said to his disciples,
“The harvest is **PLENTIFUL**
but the workers are **FEW**.

38 Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to
send out workers into his harvest field.”

Only Jesus can **CALM** the Storms in

in Our Hearts – in Our Souls

Only Jesus can **GUIDE** thru this hard world

Yet – Jesus needs **WORKERS** – Helpers

How are **YOU** “Helping?” – “Working?”



♪ WITH MY SOUL,