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MATTHEW

MESSIANIC MISSION - CONTINUED Matthew 9

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<u>CHRISTOLOGY</u>: The Person and Work of Christ - For centuries now, theologians have developed a robust Doctrine of Christ. At the heart of this exploration is the study of the identity of Jesus Christ (Person) and the mission that He fulfilled (Work).

- Person of Christ- Matthew portrays Jesus as both God and Man. According to Matthew, He is Jesus of Nazareth (2:22-23; 21:11). However, He is also the Messiah, the King of the Jews, the Son of God born of a virgin, who often refers to God as "my" Father (1:16; 3:1-12; 3:17; 12:50; 26:64; 27:54)
- Work of Christ- The bulk of Matthew's Gospel is the revelation concerning the Work of Christ. This refers to all that Jesus Christ did to fulfill His Messianic Mission. It includes His teachings, miracles, and the efficacy of His representative, substitutionary atonement through His death on the cross, and His glorious resurrection from the dead (Summary passages like 4:23-25; 9:35; and too many to list here).

<u>Summary of the Messianic Mission</u>: Matthew 9:35 – this is not the mission in its entirety, but it offers us a glimpse into the earthly work of our Messiah, Jesus.

Synopsis of Matthew 9

- Jesus forgives sins and heals disease!
- Jesus called men like Matthew to leave everything and follow Him.
- Jesus was inaugurating the new era of the Kingdom of God on earth. It was a unique time in history, accompanied by a powerfully new message!
- Compassion and Authority the miraculous healings in Matthew 9:18-34 reveal the compassion and authority of Jesus Christ.
- Calling to the Kingdom task Jesus has invited us to join Him in His work!