

OLOP Adult Education: Bible Study
At OLOP Family Learning Center
Fall 2026: September 21, 2026 – December 7, 2026
Spring 2027: January 11, 2027 – April 26, 2027

Course Description:

“Matthew: The King and His Kingdom shows how Jesus, the promised Messiah, relives the life and struggles of Israel to become the faithful and victorious King. You will come to see Jesus in a new way and discover what his life and teachings mean for us today.” (Ascension).

The Gospel of Matthew will be covered over two semesters, Fall 2026 and Spring 2027: the chapters 1 - 12 in Fall 2026; and the remaining 16 chapters in Spring 2027.

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Study Location / Time:

At OLOP Family Learning Center

7:00pm – 9:00pm every Monday

(Note: From 6:00pm, the previous week’s lecture video will be replayed.)

Study Method:

Lecture videos, and live, active class discussions / presentations

Registration (Required):

It is required to register for the course by completing the **OLOP Bible Study Registration Form** and paying \$50 fee. The registration fee includes access to Jeff Cavins’ 24 session-lecture videos. Each session’s video is about 50 to 55 minutes.

Supplementary Books (Recommended):

Cavins, Jeff and Sarah Christmyer. Matthew: The King and His Kingdom (Workbook). West Chester, Pennsylvania: Ascension, 2019.

Cavins, Jeff and Sarah Christmyer. Matthew: The King and His Kingdom. West Chester, Pennsylvania: Ascension, 2007.

Walshe, Sebastian, O. Praem. Heart of the Gospel: How the Beatitudes Show Us God's Plan for Happiness. Catholic Answers Press, 2023.

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops-Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Catechism of the Catholic Church

Catholic Book Publishing Corp. The New American Bible (Revised Edition). World Catholic Press: Canada, 2011.

Class Plan:

1. 6:00pm - Previous week's lecture video for review
2. 7:00pm - Opening prayer
3. Small group discussions (40 -50 minutes)
 - a. Discussion questions
4. Class discussion (10-20 minutes)
5. Break (10 minutes)
6. Lecture video (50-55 minutes)
7. 9:00pm - Closing prayer

Matthew I/ Fall 2026

Date	Session (Video Time)	Main Reading	Add'l Bible Readings	Catechism Readings
9/21	Introduction (49:20)	None	None	None
9/28	1. Matthew 1 – Jesus: The Son of David, the Son of Abraham (52:21)	Matthew 1	Genesis 38; Joshua 2:1-16, 6:22-25; Ruth 1:1, 4:13-17; 2 Samuel 6:11, 6:23; Sirach 46:1-8	430–431, 499–501
10/5	2. Matthew 2 – The King in Exile (55:52)	Matthew 2	Numbers 24:15-19; 1 Samuel 16:1, 16:4-13; Isaiah 11, 60:3-6; Jeremiah 23:5-6; Micah 5:2-4	528, 530
10/12	3. Matthew 3 – John: The Forerunner to the King (50:50)	Matthew 3	Joshua 3; 2 Kings 1:8, 5:1, 5:10-14; Sirach 48:4, 48:9-10; Malachi 4:5-6; Luke 1:5-36	535–536, 678, 1222–1224, 1265
10/19	4. Matthew 4 – The Tempting of the King (56:38)	Matthew 4	Isaiah 9:1-7; Hebrews 4:15-16	85–86, 109–119, 538–540
10/26	5. Matthew 5 – The Bar Is Raised by the King (56:53)	Matthew 5	Exodus 20:1-17; Isaiah 42:6-7, 49:5-6; Matthew 6:15	544
11/2	6. Matthew 6 – Personal Piety (55:50)	Matthew 6	Philippians 4:6-7	2764, 2803–2854
11/9	7. Matthew 7 – Choices in the Kingdom (55:21)	Matthew 7	Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Matthew 6:14-15; 1 Corinthians 4:1-5; James 4:11-12	117, 678
11/16	8. Matthew 8 – The King's Power Demonstrated (47:02)	Matthew 8	1 Kings 19:19-21	None
11/23	9. Matthew 9 – New Wine, New Wineskins (55:57)	Matthew 9	Leviticus 17:11; Isaiah 43:25; Hosea; Mark 2:7; James 5:14-15	None
11/30	10. Matthew 10 – Jesus Commissions the Twelve (56:23)	Matthew 10	Genesis 3:15; Matthew 4:12-16; 4:18, 9:9; Luke 22:28-30; Revelation 21:10-14	None
12/7	11. Matthew 11–12 – Jesus Confronts an Evil Generation (52:41)	Matthew 11-12	Exodus 20:10; 1 Samuel 21:1-6; Sirach 51:23-26; Isaiah 35:4-6, 61:1-2; John 1:11-13, 3:10; 1 John 5:3	679, 994, 1864, 2168–2172
12/14	Discussion/Presentation	Matthew 1-12		

Matthew II/ Spring 2027

Date	Session (Video Time)	Main Reading	Add'l Bible Readings	Catechism Readings
1/11	12. Matthew 13 – Parables of the Kingdom (56:16)	Matthew 13	Matthew 7:28; 1 Thessalonians 2:13; Hebrews 4:2	546, 681–682, 827
1/18	13. Matthew 14–15 – Instructions to the Twelve (56 : 31)	Matthew 14-15	Matthew 8:23-27; 14:19; 15:36	1335, 2609–2610
1/25	14. Matthew 16 – Jesus Establishes the Church (59:02)	Matthew 16	Genesis 3, 17, 32; Isaiah 22:15-25, 51:1-2; Matthew 4; John 12:24; Romans 8:15-18; Colossians 1:24-26; Revelation 3:7	552–553
2/1	15. Matthew 17 – The Transfiguration (54:08)	Matthew 17	Sirach 48; 2 Corinthians 3:18; 2 Peter 1:6-8, 1:17-18, 4:12-13, 5:10	555
2/8	16. Matthew 18 – Characteristics of the Christian Community (59:19)	Matthew 18	John 1:12-13; Galatians 6:1-2	526, 1443–1445, 1461–1463, 2284–2287, 2832–2843
2/15	17. Matthew 19 –Marriage: A Demonstration of God's Love (60:47)	Matthew 19	Genesis 2:20-24; Exodus 20:1-17; Malachi 2:13-16; Matthew 3:1-6; Ephesians 5:31-32	1602–1617
2/22	18. Matthew 20–21 – Stepping Down into Greatness (57:23)	Matthew 20-21	1 Kings 1:32-46; 2 Kings 9:13; Psalm 118:22-23; Isaiah 5:1-7, 56:6-12; Jeremiah 8:4-9, 8:13, 12:10; Hosea 9:10-17; Zechariah 9:9-10; Matthew 16:21, 17:22-23, 26:39, 26:42	None
3/1	19. Matthew 22–23 –“Let's Get Real” (57:42)	Matthew 22-23	Deuteronomy 25:5-10; Luke 16:24; John 7:15-19; Acts 7:1-2; Romans 4:12; 1 Corinthians 4:14-16; Philemon 10; Revelation 19:7-9	558
3/8	20. Matthew 24–25 – Jesus Predicts the End of an Era (51:09)	Matthew 24-25	Isaiah 13:1, 13:9-10, 13:13, 14:4, 14:12; Ezekiel 32:1-2, 32:7-8; Matthew 21:13; 23:28	None
3/15	21. Matthew 26 – The Trial of the Christ (56:16)	Matthew 26	Exodus 12, 24; Psalm 110:1; Daniel 7:1-18; 1 Peter 1:18-19	610, 612–614
3/22	Holy Week	No Class		
3/29	Easter Monday	No Class		
4/5	Annunciation	No Class		
4/12	22. Matthew 27 – The Passion of the King (56:4 4)	Matthew 27	Genesis 3:13-24; Psalm 22; Jeremiah 18, 19, 32-33; Zechariah 11:12-13; Matthew 26:75; John 19:1-22; Hebrews 12:18, 12:21-24, 12:28	597–598, 1430–1431
4/19	23. Matthew 28 and Conclusion – The Triumph of the King (44:53)	Matthew 28	Daniel 7:14; 1 Corinthians 15:12-24	651–655, 2174–2176
4/26	Discussion/ Presentations	Matthew 13-28		