

THE STORY

THE BIBLE AS ONE CONTINUING STORY OF GOD AND HIS PEOPLE

CHAPTER 24 – NO ORDINARY MAN

DISCUSSION OF GENERAL QUESTIONS

- ❶ What is God saying?
- ❷ For what does this section lead me to give thanks? (See God's grace and promises!)
- ❸ What sins does this section lead me to confess? (See God's expectations for his people)
- ❹ For what does this section lead me to pray? (As you ponder the Word, what needs of heart and life for yourself and others come to mind? Consider every word you read as an invitation to turn it into a prayer you speak back to your Lord!)

Key Events: Jesus teaches in parables, the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus performs miracles, the death of John the Baptist

DIGGING IN

- 1) Why did Jesus choose to teach in parables? Read the last paragraph on page 335 and onto the top of page 336 for answers.
- 2) This chapter included several of Jesus' parables. What is the central truth that Jesus' was teaching with each?
 - ✓ The Sower (pages 335-336)
 - ✓ A Lamp (page 336)
 - ✓ The Growing Seed (page 336)
 - ✓ The Mustard Seed (pages 336-337)
 - ✓ Three parables: The Lost Sheep, Coins and Son (pages 337-339)
 - ✓ The Good Samaritan (pages 339-340)

- 3) Jesus' Sermon on the Mount touched on a number of subjects. Think back to that sermon and summarize what Jesus taught about the following:
- ✓ What it is to be "blessed." (page 340)
 - ✓ Prayer (page 341)
 - ✓ Treasures (page 342)
 - ✓ Worry (page 342)
- 4) A number of Jesus' miracles were recorded in this chapter. They showed his power over nature, over disease, and over demons. Which of the miracles is most memorable to you? Why?
- 5) When the people asked Jesus what works God requires, what was Jesus' response? (bottom of page 349) Why, then, did so many people stop following Jesus?

Chapter 25: Jesus, the Son of God

Bible Reference: Matthew 17; 21; Mark 8-12; Luke 9; 22; John 7-8; 11-12