

# HARVEST COMMUNITY CHURCH

December 9, 2007

Sunday Worship Times – 8:30am and 10:30am

## “Matthew: The Family Tree”

**Matthew’s main point:** Jesus is the prophesied King of Israel and has invited us to be part of His extended family

**Tamar:** After husband's death sleeps with father-in-law and has twins

**Rahab:** A gentile and a prostitute

**Ruth:** A widowed gentile who returns to Israel with her mother-in-law

**Bathsheba:** Uriah’s wife who David committed adultery with and mother of Solomon

**Matthew 1:1** A record of the genealogy of Jesus Christ the son of David, the son of Abraham

**Matthew 5:1-3** <sup>1</sup>Now when he saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, <sup>2</sup> and he began to teach them, saying: <sup>3</sup>"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

**Matthew 10:6-7** <sup>6</sup> Go rather to the lost sheep of Israel. <sup>7</sup> As you go, preach this message: 'The kingdom of heaven is near.'

**Matthew 10:35-37** <sup>35</sup> For I have come to turn "a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law-- <sup>36</sup> a man's enemies will be the members of his own household.' <sup>37</sup>"Anyone who loves his father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; anyone who loves his son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me.

**Matthew 13:24-30** <sup>24</sup> Jesus told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field. <sup>25</sup> But while everyone was sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and went away. <sup>26</sup> When the wheat sprouted and formed heads, then the weeds also appeared. <sup>27</sup> "The owner's servants came to him and said, 'Sir, didn't you sow good seed in your field? Where then did the weeds come from?' <sup>28</sup> "An enemy did this,' he replied. "The servants asked him, 'Do you want us to go and pull them up?' <sup>29</sup> "No,' he answered, 'because while you are pulling the weeds, you may root up the wheat with them. <sup>30</sup> Let both grow together until the harvest. At that time I will tell the harvesters: First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles to be burned; then gather the wheat and bring it into my barn."

**Matthew 18:3-5** <sup>3</sup> And he said: "I tell you the truth, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. <sup>4</sup> Therefore, whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>5</sup> "And whoever welcomes a little child like this in my name welcomes me."

**Matthew 19:14** <sup>14</sup> Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."

**Matthew 19:27-29** <sup>27</sup> Peter answered him, "We have left everything to follow you! What then will there be for us?" <sup>28</sup> Jesus said to them, "I tell you the truth, at the renewal of all things, when the Son of Man sits on his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. <sup>29</sup> And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or fields for my sake will receive a hundred times as much and will inherit eternal life.

**Matthew 28:18-20** <sup>18</sup> Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup> Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

**December memory verse: Philippians 1:6** (NIV) Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.