A TIME OF REFLECTION

[Pastor Gene Henderson edited by Pastor Pier]

Welcome to the beginning of everything. The start of the New Testament; the genealogy of Jesus in Matthew 1 – human beings had been on the Earth 4,000 years when Jesus was born. How could that be the beginning of everything?

Matthew's primary purpose is to present Jesus of Nazareth as the fulfillment of Old Testament prophecies and as a teacher greater than Moses. Those are major aims, and he does so by affixing Jesus into the Jewish family line, then tracking Him through the last three years of His life, including the crucifixion, resurrection and grace before He ascends to Heaven.

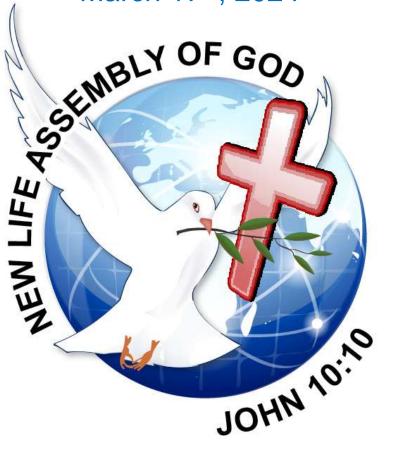
Stop thinking like a 21st century Christian for a couple of minutes and imagine yourself a first century earthling. The first two paragraphs above are world-changing. And that's not one bit exaggerated. Matthew blows open mankind's biggest philosophical concepts: Time and Space, then proceeds to write a mini-biography that proves his point. *This is the beginning of everything*. For 2,000 years educated professors have been telling us – anyone who will listen – that this is fictional imagination. And we've gone from a few dozen believers to 2.5 billion. Adding the number of Islamic who believe Jesus was a prophet sent by God, we're at 4.5 billion, which is more than half of the world.

"In God We Trust." Revelation 1:17-20:

When I saw Him, I fell at His feet as though dead. But He laid His right hand on me, saying, "Fear not, I am *the first and the last*, and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades. Write therefore the things that you have seen, those that are and those that are to take place after this. As for the mystery of the seven stars that you saw in My right hand, and the seven golden lampstands, the seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the seven churches.

Welcome!

March 17th, 2024



"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I have come so they can have life. I want them to have it in the fullest possible way."

SERVICES

Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 AM
Unity in Prayer & Youth: 6:00 – 7:00 PM
Wednesday – Bible Study: 7:00 PM; Kid's Club
Prayer ½ hour before services



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday Bible Study – we continue our new study, "The Great

Disappearance" – Rapture of the church, taken from Dr. David Jeremiah's study. We have student study guides available for \$10 each. Please see the Pastor for more details.

Flagging Class – Wednesday evenings, at 6:00 PM. We will be focusing on a praise presentation for our Easter Service on March 31st. Parents, please try to have your children here on time. Thank you!

Easter Program Practice – parents please take note, two practices, both at 11:00 A.M., one on the Saturday the 23rd and the other on Saturday the 30th. Please be on time.

Women's Annual Spring Event – April 27th, for more information please see Caroline Zeyak. There is a signup sheet on the table in the foyer.

Iron Sharpens Iron 2024 – May 18th, call all men to please put this on your calendar and plan to attend. More information to follow. There are postcards on the table in the foyer. Take all you need and let's recruit men to go with us to this event.

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SERMON NOTES

WORTHY IS THE LAMB - 2ND PART

TEXT: Revelation 4:1: 5: 1:19 **CATASTROPHE** 1. 2. **CELEBRATION** 3. **CAPABILITY** 4. Revelation 1:12-16 5. - Revelation 4:11; John 1:1-3; Colossians 1:16-17 The creator of the universe is _____ and, on our ____, and He iust what to do! Revelation 5:5; Genesis 3:14-15; Ephesians 4:8-10; Colossians 2:15 They would the conquered one. He was . 2. He was over. He still has His foot on the _____ of the devil! 1 John 4:4; Romans 5:19 Salvation's plan was all _____, finished and done! Isaiah 53:4-5 Revelation 5:6-14 Our worship will never catch Jesus _____. He knows when it is and He knows when it is not. He knows when it is and He knows when it is just for _____. He knows when it is just _____ service to go along with the and when it is from the . Jesus is an _____ on worship. He was worshiped before the ______ of the earth, Job 38:4-7 He is very to worship. Luke 19:37-40