

In today's section Matthew shows that:

Jesus embodies Israel's
God-given mission and
self consciously fulfills
God's purposes for and
promises to His chosen
people.

See page 18 in guide



In chapters 2, 3 and 4, Matthew recounts those aspects of Jesus' life that parallel Israel's own history. He is identifying Jesus as a new Israel, God's son.

The parallels were too striking for
“...Matthew to attribute them to chance.
God clearly was at work orchestrating the
entire series of events.”

Carson and Beale

Recapitulation defined

Jesus is the True Israel...

He is the One who recapitulates Israel's history in order to do what Israel failed to do and gain the blessing of a life perfectly lived before God.



***How Does The Life
Of Messiah Jesus
Reflect The
History Of Israel ?***

Israel - The Children of Israel journeyed to Egypt to escape certain death at the hands of famine. (Genesis 42:1-47:12)

Messiah - Jesus and His family fled into Egypt to escape certain death at the hands of King Herod. (Matthew 2:13-18)

Matthew chapter 3:

John the Baptist
parallels Elijah...
preparing the way
for the Lord





- Israel- The Israelites were baptized in the Red Sea as they fled from the Egyptian army. (Exodus 14:10-13)
- Messiah - Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist at the start of His earthly ministry. (Matthew 3:13-17)



Jesus the Beloved Son

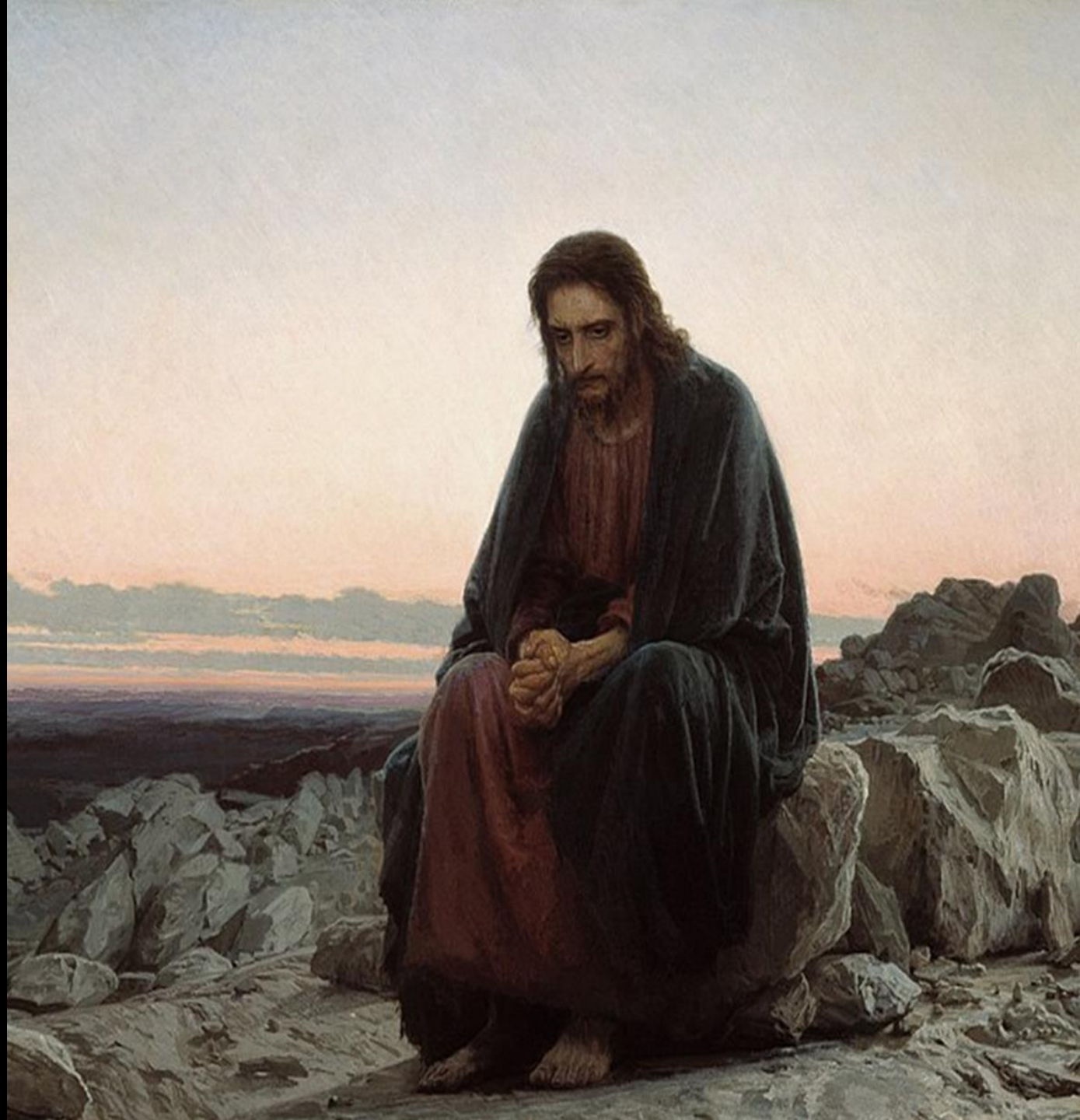
Parallels to Israel and to the
“anointed one” expected by
Israel. For example:

-Psalm 2:7

-Isaiah 42:1

*Israel -The Jewish Nation
were tested, tempted,
failed in the wilderness.
(Exodus 16:1-17:7)*

*Messiah – Jesus spent 40
days in the wilderness,
being tempted by Satan,
before He began His
earthly ministry.
(Matthew 4:1-11)*





“The Temptation of Jesus”

by Salvador Dali

Possible Unifying Theme for Matthew 4:1-11

Jesus, the Spirit empowered God-man, suffers temptation and defeats it as part of the eternal plan to be the New Israel who redeems His people from their exile in sin.

Additional information:

Structural Outline of Matthew (pg 3)

I. Introducing the Messiah's IDENTITY and CONFLICT Regarding Him (Matt 1–2)

A. Jesus's genealogy and Birth – chapter 1

**B. Jesus is Worshipped, Delivered, and
Called out of Egypt as God's Son - ch 2**

Structural Outline of Matthew cont:

II. Clarifying the Messiah's IDENTITY and MISSION (Matt 3:1–16:20)

A. Jesus Prepares for Ministry in Wilderness

1. John the Bapt. prepares the way 3:1-12

2. Jesus' Baptism – 3:13-17

3. His Testing/Temptation - Matt 4:1-11