



## Week 6: The Story From a Different Perspective

For most of us, we first came to Christ from the perspective of Jesus being God and we gradually learned about his humanity. But for the Jewish people who grew up with Jesus, who knew him and his family, they had the opposite perspective. This week we read the book of Matthew and meet Jesus through the eyes of those who knew the man, but who are just learning about his divinity.

### What's New in Week 6:

- **Week 6 Intro Video & Reading Plan:** By the end of this week you will be 75% done with The Anchored Life Challenge *and* will have read 75% of the Gospels. That's quite an accomplishment!
- **What's Your Next Study:** Is your book club continuing on as a small group? Learn how and what to study next!
- **Share Your Anchored Life Tips:** Who knew that even reading could be easier when done together? Check out this week's story of staying connected through the New Testament.

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## WEEK 6 — MATTHEW

# Matthew



## Watch This Week's Video

### Reading Plan

- Day 26 pp. 311-324
- Day 27 pp. 324-336
- Day 28 pp. 337-345
- Day 29 pp. 345-358
- Day 30 pp. 358-366

Just jumping in? You can get caught up on [previous emails and videos HERE](#).

More great tools for the whole family:

- [Saddleback Kids: Hey-O Stories of the Bible podcast](#)
- [Saddleback Student Ministry: Immerse: Luke & Acts podcast](#)

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## Looking Ahead



### You've Got Some (Fun!) Decisions to Make

The Anchored Life Challenge is winding down just before Easter this year, but then what's next for your book club? If your book club is part of an existing small group, then you're probably already aware of our great [studies page](#). And if want to continue on your new book club as a small group, you can make it official at our [Start a Group page](#).

You'll find great studies like last year's **Rediscovering The Lost Art of Friendship** from Pastor Andy and Stacie Wood. Or, like many of the book clubs, you want to continue reading God's Word. There are six total volumes in the Immerse series that will take you through the whole Bible. The next in the series is called **Immerse: Beginnings**. And if you're interested in going at a different pace, Beginnings is available as both an 8-week and [16-week study](#) so you can take your time as you read the first 5 books of the Bible. Of course, you can also get the basics of your new small group covered with our **Base Camp** 5 week study designed to help you go through the 5 purposes for your small group. With over *175 studies in several languages* to choose from, there's something for every group on [Saddleback's Watch Page](#). Find those studies and more after you begin at the [Start A Group](#) page!

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## What's Your Story?



### Stories From Book Clubs:

*"I wanted to share how pumped we are about this new Bible challenge our church kicked off. Seriously, it's been a blast diving into the Scriptures together and swapping thoughts and ideas.*

*It's not just about reading the Bible; it's about the whole journey we're on as a crew. Even though we're not all in the same book club, my friends and I have been staying connected, chatting about what we're reading, and lifting each other up along the way. It's been such a cool way to stay tight and see how God's speaking to each of us.*

*Something cool we noticed is how ditching the numbers and chapters has turned our Bible reading into this epic novel experience. It's like we're diving deep into these amazing stories without worrying about where one chapter ends and another begins. It's a whole new immersing experience!"*

Just reply to this email or send an email to [smallgroups@saddleback.com](mailto:smallgroups@saddleback.com) to share your book club's most helpful resources so far.

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## Do you have more questions?

If you want to learn more about The Anchored Life Challenge and *Immerse: Messiah*, then you've got three great options:

- You can read the [full FAQ document HERE](#)
- Or you can watch one of the [recent Zoom FAQ sessions with Pastor Jason Williams](#).
- Reply to this email with any book club questions you are stuck with!

