The People of the Bible – Matthew

Review Time – **Matthew**

(Matthew 9:9-13, Mark 2:13-17) READ LUKE 5:27- 32 – the call of Matthew

- Matthew (aka Levi), son of Alphaeus (not the father of James)
- Not named in the Bible very much
- A Tax Collector
 - ✓ Tax collectors were hated thieves
 - ✓ A Jewish tax collector was like a traitor
 - Skilled in writing and tracking details
 - Politically astute
- The Gospel of Matthew
 - Main theme is that Jesus fulfills prophecy as the promised Messiah / Christ
 - At least 50 quotes from Old Testament fulfilled by Jesus and cited by Matthew
 - A big book about same as Luke and Acts, 28 chapters, 40 pages
 - First Book in the New Testament
 - Most familiar of the Gospels
 - Synoptic with Mark and Luke

Lesson: Peter

Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Acts Wrote 1 & 2 Peter

- a Fisherman
- Disciple of John the Baptist
- brought to Jesus by brother Andrew
- renamed "a Stone" by Jesus
- Chief Disciple

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- Leader
- Asked questions
- Walked on Water
- First to declare Christ

READ Matthew 16:13-19

- Saw Christ glorified on the mount of transfiguration
- Denied Christ & restored
- Chief Apostle until Paul in Book of Acts
- First to bring the gospel to Gentiles
- TELL Story of Cornelius (Acts 10:1-48, 11:1-18)
- Crucified upside down in Rome