

Intro – Review the King in Matthew

I. Kingdom Kindness – 14:13-15:39

In these two chapters Matthew focuses in on the King's kindness.

Matthew describes 7 instances of kindness:

1. Feeding the 5,000 – 14:13-21

This miracle was done for 2 reasons:

- a.

- b.

2. Strengthening the faith of the disciples – vs. 22-23

- Peter's faith is not strong enough to _____ but it is strong enough to _____.

3. Heals those in remote areas – vs. 34-36

- There are 2 remarkable things in this passage:

- a.

- b.

4. Jesus lifts a heavy burden – vs. 15:1-20

Jewish life was difficult _____

Laws on "clean" and "unclean" _____

Jesus reveals their “double-standard” _____

Jesus abolishes food laws _____

- Peter seeks an explanation _____

5. **Kindness towards the Gentiles - vs. 21-28** _____

6. **Kindness towards the needy - vs. 29-31** _____

7. **Kindness for its own sake - vs. 32-39** _____

Summary

Matthew shows another important facet of Jesus' character: _____

Same parallel can be made for the kingdom (church) today. _____
