Matthew:

The Gospel of the King

New American Standard Version

Simon Peter answered,  
“You are the Christ,  
the Son of the living God.”

Matthew 16:16

Memory groups will meet weekly to recite each assignment. The booklet contains selected Bible verses to be memorized each week. The assignment number and Bible reference should be memorized and recited with each assignment.

Those who prefer a shorter assignment may memorize the three verses in each assignment which are marked with the symbol: *.

There is a companion book for small children containing one verse per week. The verses found in the children’s book are marked in this book with the symbol: +.
Assignment 1

Matthew 1:21

“She will bear a Son; and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins.”

Matthew 3:11-12

11 “As for me, I baptize you with water for repentance, but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, and I am not fit to remove His sandals; He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

12 His winnowing fork is in His hand, and He will thoroughly clear His threshing floor; and He will gather His wheat into the barn, but He will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.”

Matthew 3:17

And behold, a voice out of the heavens said, “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well-pleased.”

Matthew 4:17

From that time Jesus began to preach and say, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

Matthew 4:19-20

19 And He said to them, “Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men.”

20 Immediately they left their nets and followed Him.
Assignment 2

Matthew 5:3-6

3 “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

4 “Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

5 “Blessed are the gentle, for they shall inherit the earth.

6 “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.”

Matthew 5:17

“Do not think that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish but to fulfill.”

Matthew 5:20

“For I say to you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven.”

Matthew 5:48

“Therefore you are to be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.”
Assignment 3

Matthew 6:9-13

Pray, then, in this way:
‘Our Father who is in heaven,
Hallowed be Your name.

‘Your kingdom come.
Your will be done,
On earth as it is in heaven.

‘Give us this day our daily bread.

‘And forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.

‘And do not lead us into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Yours is the kingdom
and the power and the glory forever.
Amen.’”

Matthew 6:25-26

“For this reason I say to you,
do not be worried about your life,
as to what you will eat
or what you will drink;
nor for your body,
as to what you will put on.
Is not life more than food,
and the body more than clothing?

Look at the birds of the air,
that they do not sow,
or reap nor gather into barns,
and yet your heavenly Father feeds them.
Are you not worth
much more than they?”
Matthew 8:26-27

26 He said to them, “Why are you afraid, you men of little faith?” Then He got up and rebuked the winds and the sea, and it became perfectly calm.

27 The men were amazed, and said, “What kind of a man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey Him?”

Matthew 9:4-6

4 And Jesus knowing their thoughts said, “Why are you thinking evil in your hearts?

5 Which is easier, to say, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Get up, and walk’?

6 But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins — then He said to the paralytic, “Get up, pick up your bed and go home.”

Matthew 9:12-13

12 But when Jesus heard this, He said, “It is not those who are healthy who need a physician, but those who are sick.

13 But go and learn what this means: ‘I DESIRE COMPASSION, AND NOT SACRIFICE,’ for I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners.”
Matthew 10:18-20

18 “And you will even be brought before governors and kings for My sake, as a testimony to them and to the Gentiles.

19 But when they hand you over, do not worry about how or what you are to say; for it will be given you in that hour what you are to say.

20 For it is not you who speak, but it is the Spirit of your Father who speaks in you.”

Matthew 10:32-33

32 “Therefore everyone who confesses Me before men, I will also confess him before My Father who is in heaven.

33 But whoever denies Me before men, I will also deny him before My Father who is in heaven.”

Matthew 10:38-39

38 “And he who does not take his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me.

39 He who has found his life will lose it, and he who has lost his life for My sake will find it.”
Matthew 11:25-30

At that time Jesus said, “I praise You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from the wise and intelligent and have revealed them to infants.

Yes, Father, for this way was well-pleasing in Your sight.

All things have been handed over to Me by My Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father; nor does anyone know the Father except the Son, and anyone to whom the Son wills to reveal Him.

“Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy-laden, and I will give you rest.

Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.”

Matthew 12:34

“You brood of vipers, how can you, being evil, speak what is good? For the mouth speaks out of that which fills the heart.”
Assignment 7

Matthew 13:10-12

10 And the disciples came and said to Him, “Why do You speak to them in parables?”

11 Jesus answered them, “To you it has been granted to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been granted.

12 For whoever has, to him more shall be given, and he will have an abundance; but whoever does not have, even what he has shall be taken away from him.”

Matthew 13:44-46

44 “The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure hidden in the field, which a man found and hid again; and from joy over it he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

45 “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant seeking fine pearls,

46 And upon finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.”

Matthew 13:52

And Jesus said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has become a disciple of the kingdom of heaven is like a head of a household, who brings out of his treasure things new and old.”
Matthew 15:18-19

18 “But the things that proceed out of the mouth come from the heart, and those defile the man.

*19 For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, slanders.”

Matthew 16:16-17

*16 Simon Peter answered, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.”

*17 And Jesus said to him, “Blessed are you, Simon Barjona, because flesh and blood did not reveal this to you, but My Father who is in heaven.”

Matthew 16:21-23

21 From that time Jesus began to show His disciples that He must go to Jerusalem, and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised up on the third day.

22 Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke Him, saying, “God forbid it, Lord! This shall never happen to You.”

23 But He turned and said to Peter, “Get behind Me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to Me; for you are not setting your mind on God’s interests, but man’s.”
Matthew 18:1-5

At that time the disciples came to Jesus and said, "Who then is greatest in the kingdom of heaven?"

And He called a child to Himself and set him before them,

And said, "Truly I say to you, unless you are converted and become like children, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven.

Whoever then humbles himself as this child, he is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

And whoever receives one such child in My name receives Me;"

Matthew 18:21-22

Then Peter came and said to Him, "Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me and I forgive him? Up to seven times?"

Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven."
Assignment 10

Matthew 19:24-26

* 24 “Again I say to you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.”

25 When the disciples heard this, they were very astonished and said, “Then who can be saved?”

* 26 And looking at them Jesus said to them, “With people this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.”

Matthew 20:25-28

25 But Jesus called them to Himself and said, “You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great men exercise authority over them.

26 It is not this way among you, but whoever wishes to become great among you shall be your servant,

27 And whoever wishes to be first among you shall be your slave;

* 28 Just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.”
Assignment 11

Matthew 24:21-22

21 “For then there will be a great tribulation, such as has not occurred since the beginning of the world until now, nor ever will.

22 Unless those days had been cut short, no life would have been saved; but for the sake of the elect those days will be cut short.”

Matthew 24:29-31

29 “But immediately after the tribulation of those days THE SUN WILL BE DARKENED, AND THE MOON WILL NOT GIVE ITS LIGHT, AND THE STARS WILL FALL from the sky, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken.

30 And then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the SON OF MAN COMING ON THE CLOUDS OF THE SKY with power and great glory.

31 And He will send forth His angels with A GREAT TRUMPET and THEY WILL GATHER TOGETHER His elect from the four winds, from one end of the sky to the other.”

Matthew 24:44

“For this reason you also must be ready; for the Son of Man is coming at an hour when you do not think He will.”

Matthew 25:21

“His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful slave. You were faithful with a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.’”
Assignment 12

Matthew 26:63-64

63 But Jesus kept silent.
And the high priest said to Him,
"I adjure You by the living God,
that You tell us
whether You are the Christ,
the Son of God."

64 Jesus said to him,
"You have said it yourself;
nevertheless I tell you,
hereafter you will see THE SON OF MAN
sitting at the right hand of Power,
and coming on the clouds of heaven."

Matthew 28:5-6

5 The angel said to the women,
"Do not be afraid; for I know
that you are looking for Jesus
who has been crucified.

6 He is not here,
for He has risen, just as He said.
Come, see the place where He was lying."

Matthew 28:18-20

18 And Jesus came up
and spoke to them, saying,
“All authority has been given to Me
in heaven and on earth.

19 Go therefore
and make disciples of all the nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father
and the Son and the Holy Spirit,

20 Teaching them to observe
all that I commanded you;
and lo, I am with you always,
even to the end of the age.”