

# Study Question Week 1

## Level 1

- a. I did not think about the significance that for over 35 years no one WROTE down the gospels that is was Orally transmitted. Back then people could more readily memorize stories and they were told in groups to assure accuracy. They were done in parables
- b. Our society with all the electroic media and previously written media has a hard time believing oral stories could remain accurate. But the meaning of the story was most important. One issue even today is the numerous Bible translations which can lead to somewhat diffent meanings
- c. The You tube video explained oral communication back at the time of Jesus was the standard, that it was controlled by being ttold in groups to reinforce the accuracy
- d. plan to review some of the resources provided like the comparisons of the 4 gospels

## Level 2

1 a would seem that Matthew did not want to highlight Bathsheba because it would put her and David in as adulterers and murderers

1b would seem Matthew wanted to show Non Jewish woman were part of the family line of the most important figure in the Bible Jesus

2a ex·ile- the state of being barred from one's native country, typically for political or punitive reason. The Jewish religion became STRONGER while in Babylon. Similarly the Jewish power and prestige became greater outside of Israel. Unfortunately because of this the non Jewish people became jealous and often percucuted the Jews

## 2b Psalm 137

By the rivers of Babylon we sat and wept when we remembered Zion.

There on the poplars we hung our harps,

for there our captors asked us for songs, our tormentors demanded songs of joy; they said, "Sing us one of the songs of Zion!"

How can we sing the songs of the LORD while in a foreign land?

If I forget you, Jerusalem, may my right hand forget its skill.

May my tongue cling to the roof of my mouth if I do not remember you, if I do not consider Jerusalem my highest joy.

Remember, LORD, what the Edomites did on the day Jerusalem fell. "Tear it down," they cried, "tear it down to its foundations!"

Daughter Babylon, doomed to destruction, happy is the one who repays you according to what you have done to us.

Happy is the one who seizes your infants and dashes them against the rocks.

2c Gods plan was to have the Jews in exile so they could see what they took for granted, so they would desire it back, and become stronger spiritually.

2d Exile is only temporary

3a It is more than a coincidence that the generations were multiples of 7 and 14. Most likely it was for God to point out this plan was not by chance but was planned out. He wanted to point out God's plan of 7 was important. That the time of the Messiah was the 7<sup>th</sup> of the 7's could possibly mean the Time of the Messiah was holy like the 7<sup>th</sup> day the Sabbath

3b to me it would seem the 6 sets of 7 makes more sense than the 3 sets of 14. But the end of each 14 is more significant timing.