

2026 Ethiopian Mission Network Lenten Bible Study

Six-Session Bible Study - Gospel of Matthew From Temptation to Resurrection: Following Jesus' Way

The Presbytery of Susquehanna Valley Ethiopian Partnership Mission Team and the Ethiopian Mission Network invite you to join us in a six-week Lenten Bible Study with our friends and colleagues in Ethiopia and across the US. Paster Gilo and Rev. Hyiwot Teshome will be leading the study along with Kes Teferi and others in Ethiopia assisting.

When: 11:30 AM (Eastern Time) every Saturday during Lent starting February 21st

Study: The Gospel of Matthew from Chapter 4 (Temptation) to Chapter 28 (Resurrection)

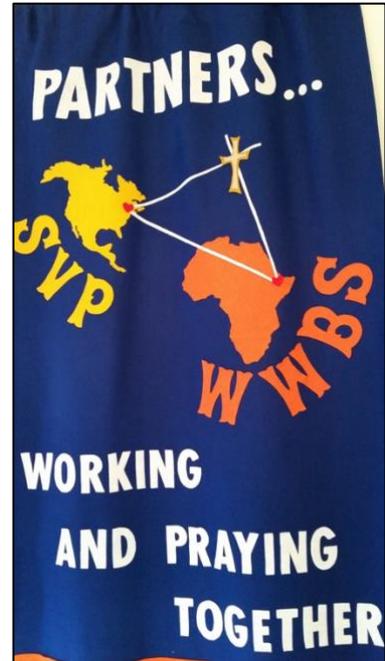
[Here](#) is the six-session Bible study that we will be facilitating.

While the story of the Gospel is continuous, we will focus on only a topic or two in each session. Please come prepared for each session, without necessarily focusing on future sessions and scripture readings. Thank you.

Join Zoom Meeting

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Session 1 (02/21) — Temptation & the Beginning of Ministry

Theme: Faithfulness in the Wilderness

Scripture: Matthew 4:1–25

Focus:

- Jesus' temptation in the wilderness
- The call of the first disciples
- The beginning of the proclamation: "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."

Session 2 (02/28) — The Sermon on the Mount

Theme: The Way of the Kingdom

Scripture: Matthew 5–7

Focus:

- Beatitudes and kingdom values
- Jesus' teaching on righteousness, prayer, and trust
- The call to live as salt and light

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Session 3 (03/07) — Parables of the Kingdom

Theme: Seeing and Hearing the Kingdom

Scripture: Matthew 13

Focus:

- Parables of the Sower, weeds, mustard seed, yeast, and treasure
- The hidden and surprising nature of God's reign

Session 4 (03/14) — Who Do You Say That I Am?

Theme: Discipleship, Confession, and the Way of the Cross

Scripture: Matthew 16:13–28; 17:1–9

Focus:

- Peter's confession of Jesus as the Messiah
- Jesus' first passion prediction
- The Transfiguration

Session 5 (03/21)— The Last Supper, Trial, and Crucifixion

Theme: Love Poured Out

Scripture: Matthew 26–27

Focus:

- The Last Supper
- Gethsemane and betrayal
- Trial, suffering, and crucifixion

Session 6 (03/28)— Resurrection & the Great Commission

Theme: New Life and Sending Forth

Scripture: Matthew 28

Focus:

- The empty tomb
- The risen Christ's promise: "I am with you always."
- The Great Commission