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- **Jesus came at the right time between Hellenism. Understanding that will make the whole Bible come alive.**
- Do you believe in Calvinism or Arminianism – I teach the sovereignty of God when the Bible teaches it. I teach my free will and choice when the Bible teaches it.
 - o Its both

Matthew 13

- Why does Jesus speak in parables – He wants you to work for it to understand deeper
- Sower = God
- Soil = Peoples hearts
- This should be called the Parable of the Soil
- Seed = Word of God
- Remez's
 - o Path – You can look up different words to bring up more passages. Path or ground – Hosea 10:12
 - How do you break up a hard heart – be generous
 - o No Soil – Isa. 5:24, Ezekiel 17:7, Jer. 17:7
 - You don't know the bible – memorize it
 - o Thorns – Jer. 4:3
 - Idolatry
 - o Good Soil – Gen. 26:12
- 4 types of people
 - o Sponge – soak it up and keep it
 - o Funnel – take it in and loose it
 - o Strainer – Takes in and keeps the bad
 - o Seive – Takes in and keeps the good

Gematria – Study of numbers

- Numbers always meant something
 - o 1 = God
 - o 2 = tablets
 - o 3 = community (Abraham, Isaac, Jacob)
 - o 4 = Number of the Gentiles – the gentiles are in the 4 quadrants of the world
 - o 5 = Torah – Books of Moses
 - o 6 = sinful man
 - o 7 = completion/pagan nations
 - o 10 = 3 + 7 which is complete community
 - o 12 = 12 tribes of Israel
- Matthew's favorite number = 7
 - o Divided into 7 sections

- 7 petitions in the Lord's prayer
- Loafs of bread – 7
- Woes to the Pharisees – 7
- Telling peter to forgive – 7x70
- Craziest 7 is in the Genealogy
 - Generations Abraham to David = 14
 - Abraham to exile of Babylon = 14
 - Babylon to Christ = 14
- *DaVaD* (David) – 4, 6, 4 = 14
- Matthew saying the whole book is perfection

Remez in Matthew 27:45

- Eli, Eli lema sabachthani
 - Pashat – God turned his back on Jesus because of the sin that covered Jesus
 - Remez – Psalm 22:1, 18, it explains everything that happens at the crucifixion
 - Quote a line in the OT and the listeners know it by heart so there is no explanation
 - In Jesus final moments Jesus is still preaching the Gospel
 - Study the entire chapter in which you found it for a full explanation
 - Anytime you talk about animals, usually it is talking about Gentiles
 - Fish – fishers of men – gentiles
 - Dogs
 - Drash – Jesus is saying, it looks bad right now, but we win in the end. That is what Jesus is saying in Matthew 27:45 through Psalm 22. Anyone Jewish should have known what Jesus was saying but their hearts were hardened.
- Jesus primary teaching audience is his disciples to take to the world
- Remez in Luke 5:1 (Peter, James, John), 5:9 (all 12 disciples), 5:10 (70)
 - 70 because:
 - Genesis 10 and Exodus 24 – 70 nations
 - Luke 5