

Parallels, Allusions, and Quotations to Matthew 7

- Matthew 7:1-5** Nicomachean Ethics 3.2; Musonius 23, 32; Pseudo-Diogenes 50; Seneca, *De ira* (On Anger) 2.28.5-8; Petronius, *Satyrice* 57.7; Sentences of Sextus, 183-184
- Matthew 7:2** Testament of Zebulon 5:3, 8:3; 2 Enoch 44:5; Pseudo-Phocylides, *Sententiae* 11; Mishnah, *Sotah* 1:7; Tosefta, *Sotah* 3.1, 2; Babylonian Talmud, *Sotah* 8b; Sipre on Numbers §106 (on Numbers 12:1-6); Cairo (Geniza) Targum, *Genesis* 38:26; Targum Neofiti, *Numbers* 12:15; Fragmentary Targum, *Numbers* 12:15; Targum Pseudo-Jonathan, *Numbers* 12:14; Targum Isaiah 27:8; cf. Babylonian Talmud, *Shabbat* 127b; Babylonian Talmud, *Megillah* 28a; Babylonian Talmud, *Rosh HaShanah* 16b; Babylonian Talmud, *Sanhedrin* 100b
- Matthew 7:4-5** *Epictetus* 3.22.98; Seneca, *De Vita Beata (On The Happy Life)* 27.4; Babylonian Talmud, *Qiddushin* 70a; Babylonian Talmud, *Arakhin* 16b; Babylonian Talmud, *Bava Batra* 15b
- Matthew 7:6** Mishnah, *Temurah* 6:5; *Didache* 9:5; Dead Sea Scrolls [1QS 9:16-20]; Sentences of Sextus, 354
- Matthew 7:7** Psalms 2:8, 21:4, 27:4; Proverbs 8:17; 4 Ezra 4:42; Wisdom of Solomon 6:12; Babylonian Talmud, *Megillah* 12b; Sophocles, *Oedipus tyrannus* 110
- Matthew 7:9** Seneca, *De beneficiis (On Benefits)* 2.7.1
- Matthew 7:11** Leviticus Rabbah 34.14 (on Leviticus 25:25)
- Matthew 7:12** Tobit 4:15; Sirach 31:15; Letter of Aristeas 207; Isocrates, *Ad Demonicum* (Or. 1), *Aegineticus* (Or. 19); Seneca, *Epistulae morales (Moral Epistles)* 9.6, 94.43, 103.3; 2 Enoch 61:2, Sentences of Sextus 89, 90, 179; Sentences of the Syriac Menander 250-251; Mishnah, *Abot* 2:11; Targum Pseudo-Jonathan, *Leviticus* 19:18
- Matthew 7:13** Proverbs 16:25; Sirach 21:10; 2 Baruch 85:13; Diogenes Laertius 4.49
- Matthew 7:13-14** Deuteronomy 11:26, 30:15; Jeremiah 21:8; Testament of Asher 1:3-5; Testament of Abraham (A) 11:2-3; 2 Enoch 30:15; Sipre on Deuteronomy §53 (on Deuteronomy 11:26); Babylonian Talmud, *Berakhot* 28b; Cebetis Tabula 270; Pseudo-Diogenes 30.2
- Matthew 7:15** Dead Sea Scrolls, *Cairo Damascus Document*, 6:1-2; Testament of Judah 21:9; 2 Baruch 66:4; Martyrdom and Ascension of Isaiah 5:2, 12
- Matthew 7:16** Sirach 27:6; Babylonian Talmud, *Berakhot* 48a; Epictetus 2.20.18; Seneca, *Epistulae morales (Moral Epistles)* 87.25; Song Rabbah 1:1 §6

Matthew 7:17-18	2 Enoch 42:14; Horace, <i>Carmina (Odes)</i> 4.4.29; Seneca, <i>Epistulae morales (Moral Epistles)</i> 87.25, <i>De ira (On Anger)</i> 2.10.6; Gospel of Thomas §45
Matthew 7:19	Jeremiah 22:7
Matthew 7:21	LXX [Septuagint] Psalms 108:21; 1 Esdras 8:16
Matthew 7:22	Ezra 5:1; Zechariah 13:3; Acts 19:13-16
Matthew 7: 23	Psalms 6:8
Matthew 7:24-27	Mishnah, <i>Abot</i> 3:18, Mishnah, <i>Abot R. Nat. (A)</i> 24.3; Seneca, <i>Epistulae morales (Moral Epistles)</i> 52.5
Matthew 7:28	Deuteronomy 31:24, 32:45

Several allusions to noncanonical sources exist all throughout the Gospel of Matthew as well as the entire New Testament. Listed above are the verses in which any quotations, references (including Bible cross-references), or parallels can be found. Aside this, are the names of the corresponding documents where these allusions can be found along with their specific location within the text. This literature is important for exegesis because it provides us with greater insight to the meaning of words and concepts as well as historical, social, religious, exegetical, hermeneutical and canonical contexts.¹

Most of these noncanonical documents can be accessed online or @ http://wesley.nnu.edu/biblical_studies/noncanon/index.htm.

¹ Evans, Craig A. *Ancient Texts For New Testament Studies*. Peabody: Hendrickson Publishers, Inc., 2005. Print.

