



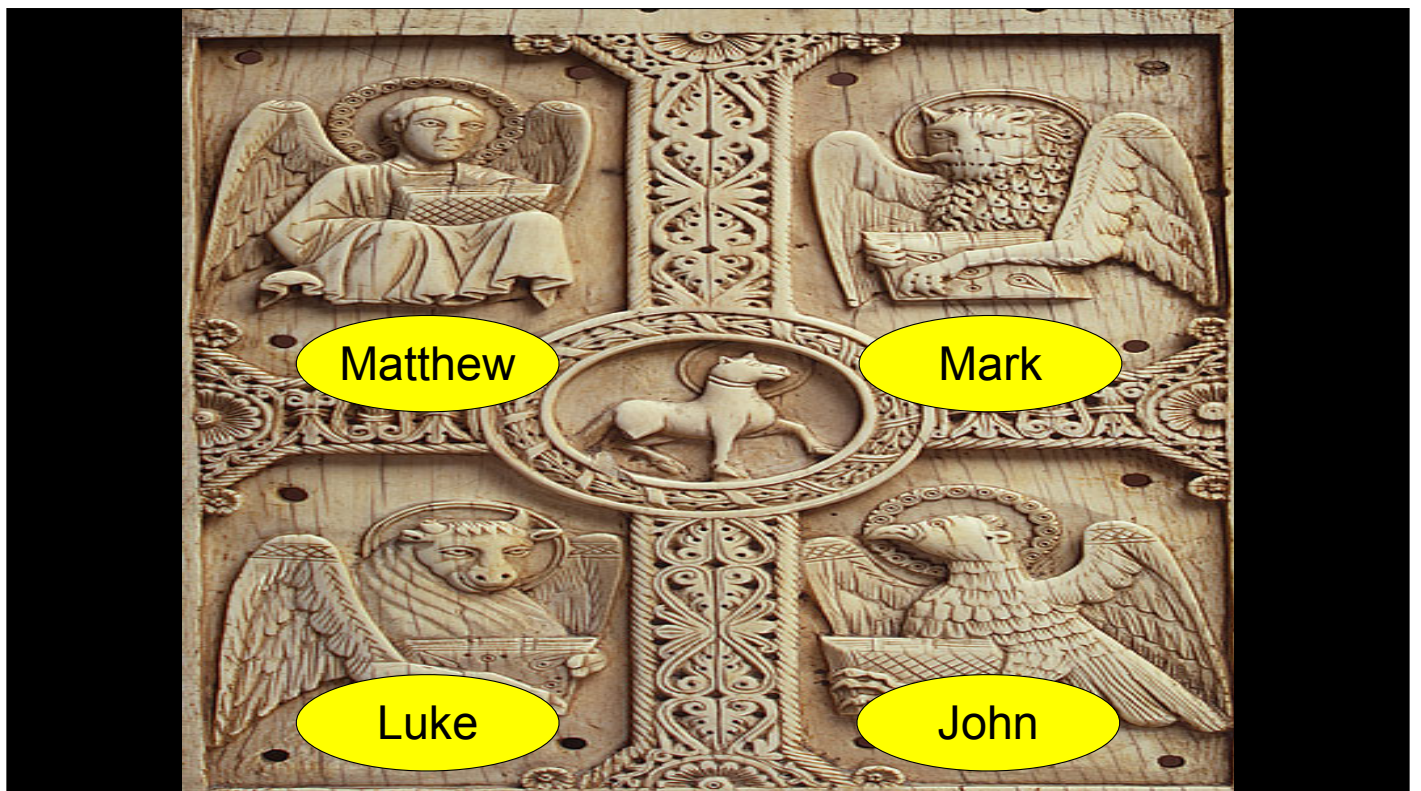
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The Gospel of John

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Painted on the ceiling of a small chapel in a village called Steinegg in a German-speaking part of Italy

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90% of John is Unique

(Not found in any other gospel)

42% of Matthew

7% of Mark

58% of Luke



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John States His Purpose

*Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written **so that you may believe** that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in his name. (John 20:30-31)*

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John States His Purpose

(John 20:30-31)

Coming to Faith?

Continuing in Faith?

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John States His Purpose

(John 20:30-31)

Coming to Faith?

Yes!

Continuing in Faith?

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What John *does* have

Jesus' baptismal ministry at the Jordan; the encounters with Nicodemus and the Samaritan woman; the "I am" sayings, coupled with long discourses (7-11, 14-17); the foot washing; and Jesus' conversation with Pilate.

(Dictionary of Jesus and the Gospels, 374)



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John *does not* have

In John we do not find parables, demon exorcisms; healing of lepers; tax collectors; Sadducees; table fellowship with sinners; infancy narratives; the temptation of Jesus; the Transfiguration; the material in Matthew's sermon on the Mount; or the institution of the Lord's Supper."

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John *does not* have

Of the Johannine miracles only the feeding of the five thousand is found in the other Gospels.

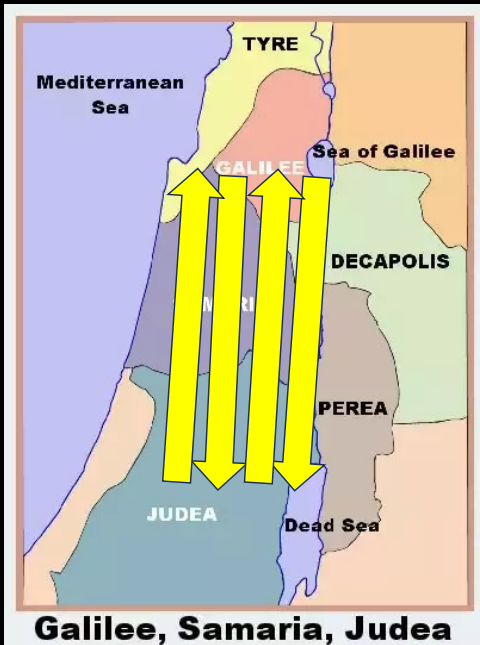
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Place in Gospel of John

The synoptics describe a single trip to Jerusalem (during Jesus' adult ministry). John describes a ministry that oscillates between Galilee and Judea.

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Time in Gospel of John

The story line in the Synoptic Gospels could be compressed into a single year. John specifically mentions **three different Passovers**, giving us the perspective of a three-year public ministry (2:13, 23; 6:4; 11:55; 12:1; 13:1; 18:28).



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Opponents = The Jews

“Jews” appears **5x** in **Matthew**

“Jews” appears **6x** in **Mark**

“Jews” appears **4x** in **Luke**

“Jews” appears **70x** in **John**

Parallel to **“Pharisees”** in Synoptics

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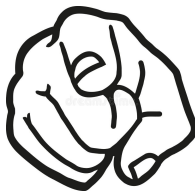
Jesus as Confrontational

Nicodemus (3)

Woman at the Well (4)

Lame Man (5)

Bread of Life Sermon (6)



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A Book of **Signs**

(John 20:30-31)

1. Water into Wine (2:1-12)
2. Healing Official's son (4:46-54)
3. Healing lame man (5:1-18)
4. Feeding the 5,000 (6:1-15)
5. Walking on the water (6:16-21)
6. Healing man born blind (9:1-41)
7. Raising Lazarus (11:1-44)

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A Book of **Claims**

(*egō eimi* – **"I AM"** – Ex. 3:14)

1. Living Water (4:14)
2. Bread of Life (6:35)
3. Light of the World (8:12)
4. Gate/Good Shepherd (10:7, 11)
5. The Resurrection & Life (11:25)
6. Way, Truth, and Life (14:6)
7. The True Vine (15:1)

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A Book of **Claims**

(egō eimi – **“I AM”** – Ex. 3:14)

Jesus said to them,
“Truly, truly, I say to you,
before Abraham was, **I AM.**”

(John 8:58-59)

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Vocabulary of John

1. Easiest vocabulary of the 4 Gospels
2. A lot of abstract language

“Believe” – 98x

“Love” – 40x

“Know” – 131x

“Word” – 45x

“Life” – 47x

“Truth”/ “True” – 49x

“Witness” – 47x



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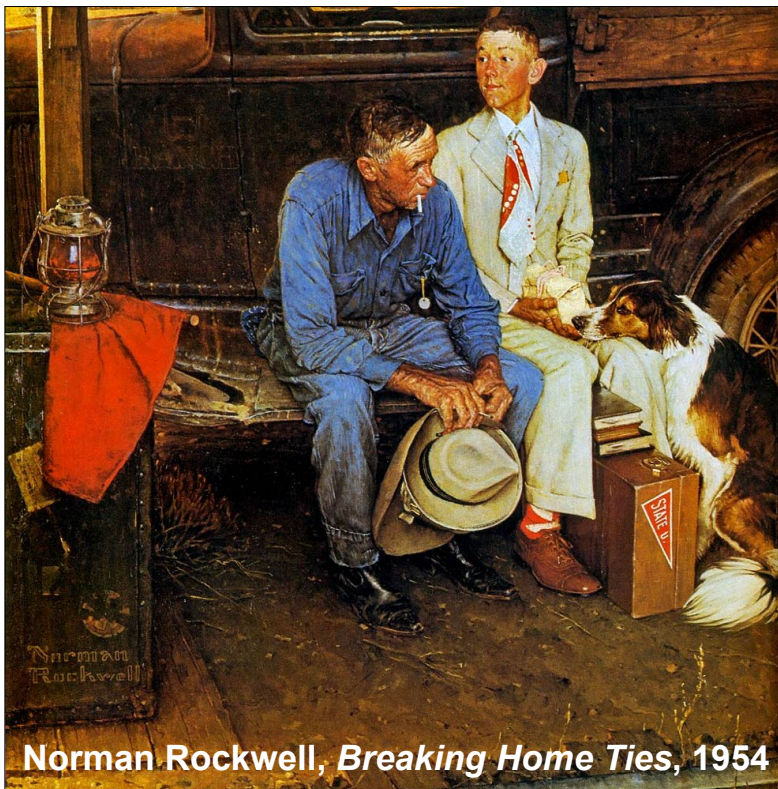
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John's Farewell Discourse

(John 13:31-17:26)

Shared between the Last Supper and the Crucifixion the next day, this is "11th-hour" instruction to the Disciples. Promised Holy Spirit. "I am the true vine." "I have overcome the world." "That they may be one."

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John's Farewell Discourse

(John 13:31-17:26)

What does he need to hear before he leaves home?

Norman Rockwell, *Breaking Home Ties*, 1954

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John's Farewell Discourse

(John 13:31-17:26)

Matthew's 5 Sermons

(Sermon on the Mount, etc.)

Luke's Travel Narrative

(Luke 9:51-19:27)

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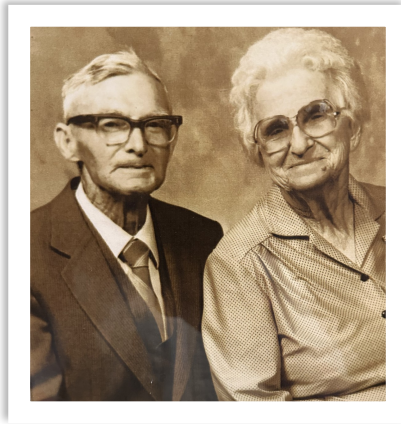
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The Gospel of **Glory**

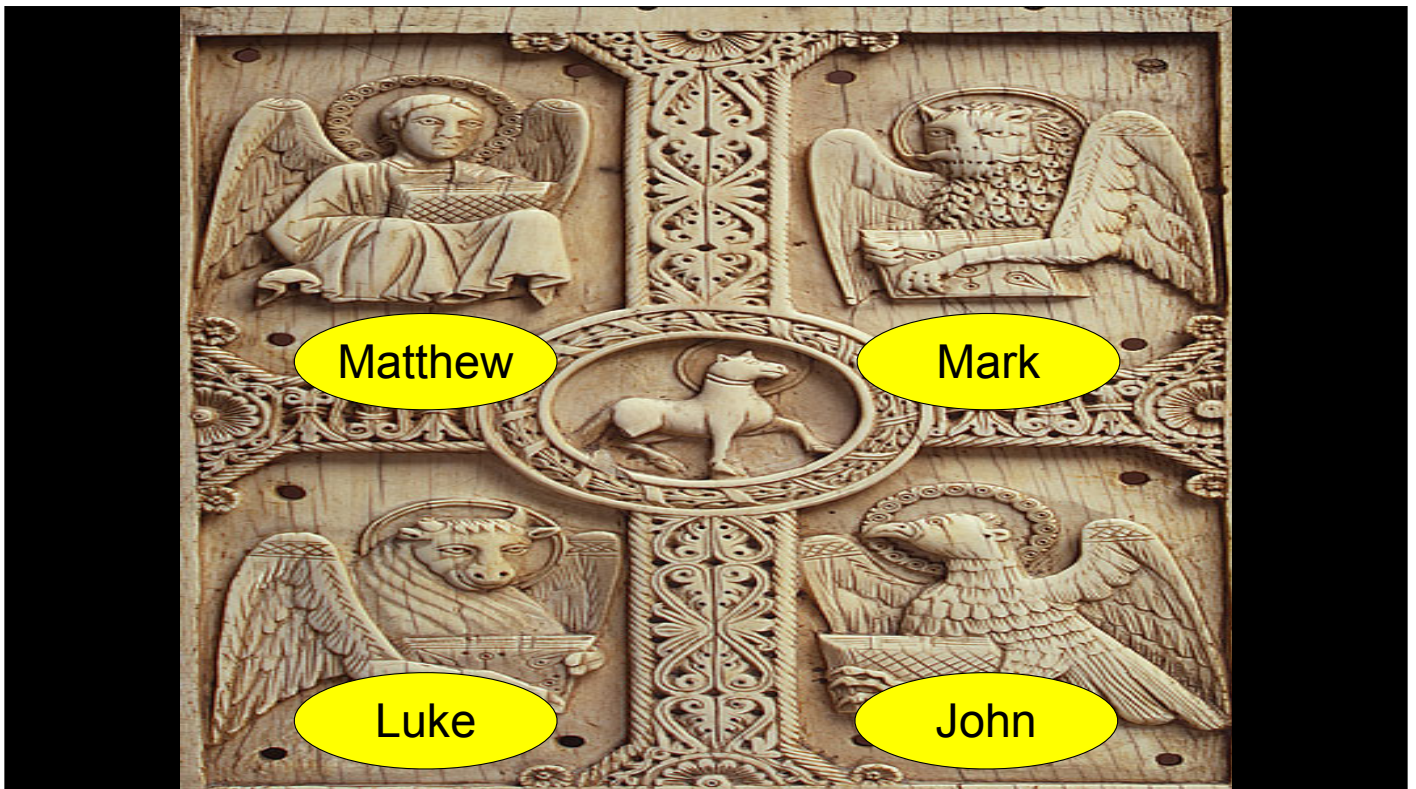
1. John 17:1-5
2. "Glory" appears 23x in John. "Glorify" appears 18x.
3. Strangely, the Transfiguration does **NOT** appear in John (Mt. 17; Mk. 9; Lk. 9)
4. *One of (John's) major themes is that Jesus' glory was manifested continually in the path of lowly service, and that it was preeminently shown on the cross (Leon Morris, NIC Commentary on John, 18).*



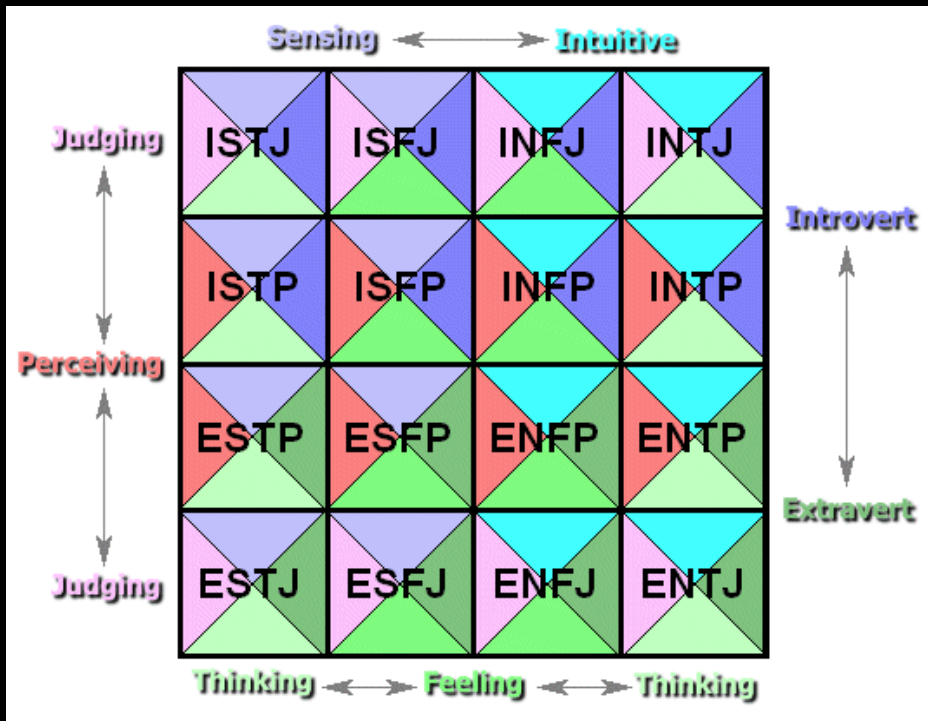
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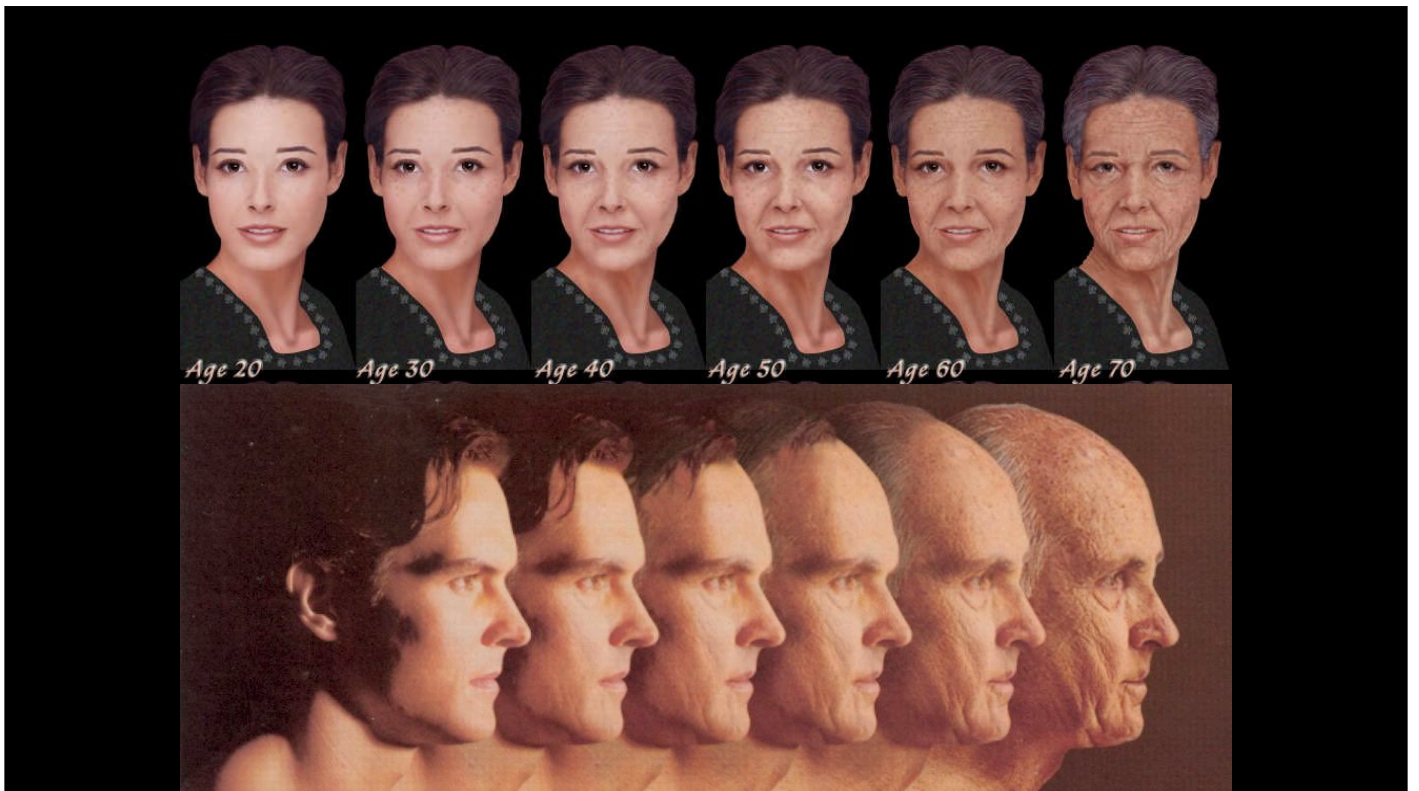
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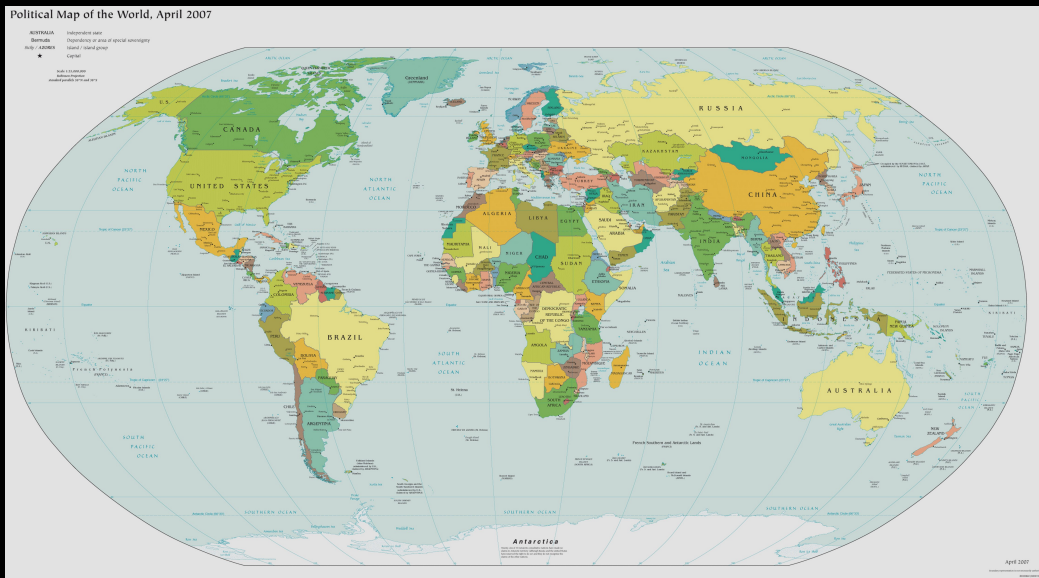
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