

Four Corners, Four Gospels

Materials

- ☐ One set of Gospel Signs (following pages)
- ☐ Tape or poster putty
- ☐ List of Gospel writer facts (below)

Instructions

Before class, print out one set of the Gospel Signs and tape each one in a different corner of the room. To begin the game, gather students in the middle of the room. Tell them that you will read a fact about one of the Gospel writers. (Be sure to mix them up as you read them.) Students must quickly decide which Gospel writer you are describing. When you say, "Pick a corner," students will run to the corner with the name they think is correct. Once they've chosen a corner, students must stay in place. When everyone has run to a corner, give the correct answer. Have students run back to the center to hear the next fact. Repeat the process with the rest of the facts. If desired, you or an assistant may keep track of all correct answers and see which students had the most correct at the end of the game.

Suggested Discussion

Today we talked about how the four Gospels are different. Each Gospel writer wrote the truth about Jesus' life, but each one chose to focus on different things. All four of them wrote to tell us the good news of Jesus, and when we read all of them, we can understand more about Jesus and what he came to do.

Facts about the Gospel writers

Matthew

1. This writer was a Jewish tax collector before he became a disciple of Jesus.
2. This writer started his Gospel with a genealogy (list of people in a family line).
3. This writer called Jesus the Son of David.

Mark

1. This writer was a friend of Peter's.
2. This writer showed that Jesus came to earth to serve others.
3. This writer wanted people to know that Jesus paid the ransom (price) for our sins.

Luke

1. This writer was a doctor.
2. This writer was a friend of Paul's.
3. This writer called Jesus the Son of Man.

John

1. This writer was a fisherman when Jesus called him to be a disciple.
2. This writer wanted us to believe that Jesus is the Christ.
3. This writer focused on Jesus as the Son of God.

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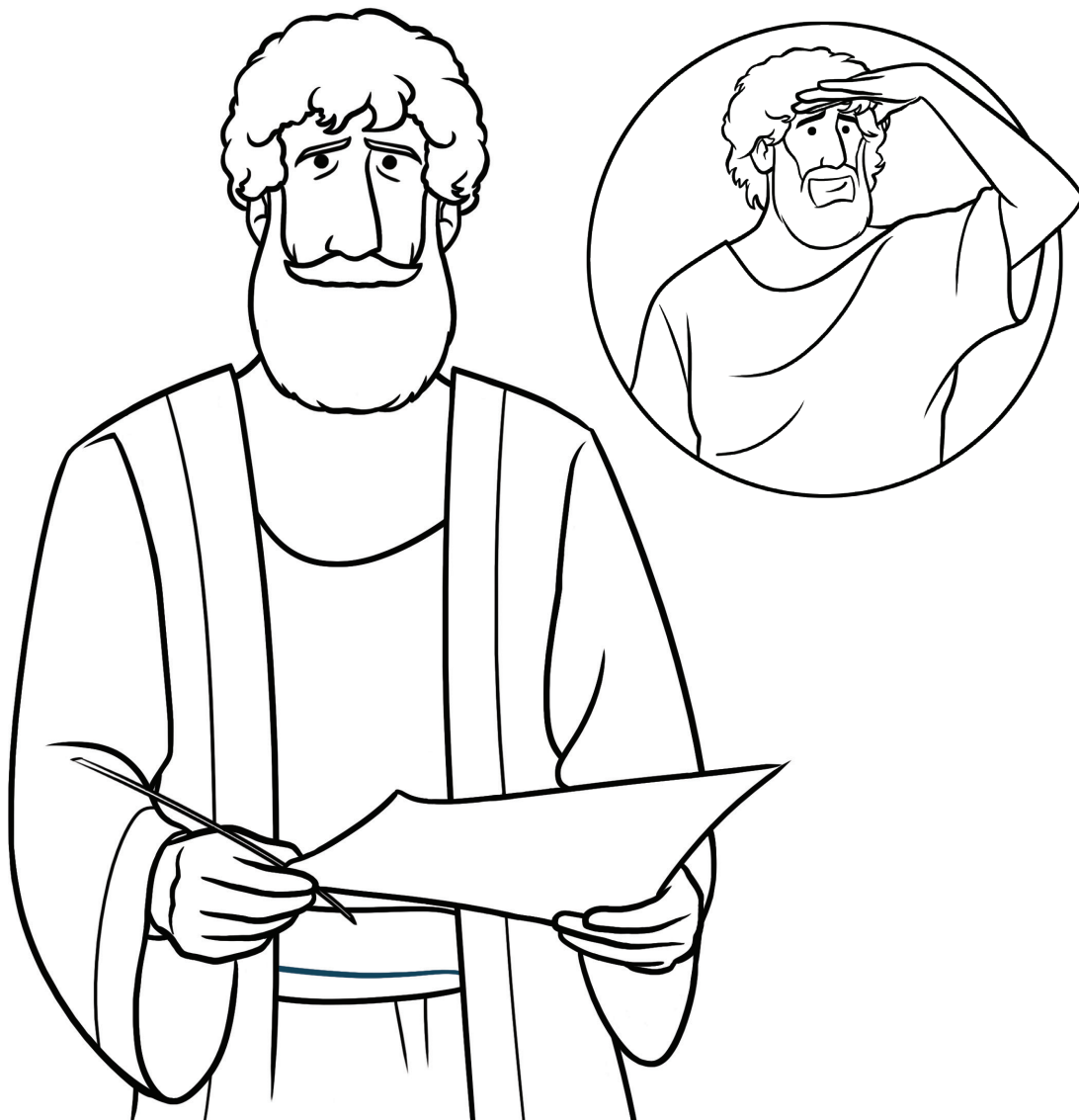
Matthew

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Mark

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Luke

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John