

Matthew



Mark

Luke



John





The Gospel Truth

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Lesson Focus

The four Gospels were written by four men—and all show something unique about Jesus. Jesus is revealed in Matthew as the Jewish Messiah and promised King; in Mark as a suffering servant; in Luke as the Son of Man and friend of sinners; and in John as the Son of God, the Christ who alone brings eternal life.

Key Passages

Grades 2–3: Matthew 1:1, 9:27; Mark 10:45, 6:34; Luke 19:10, 5:32; John 20:31, 17:3

Grades 4–5: Matthew 1:1, 9:27, 21:9; Mark 10:45, 6:34, 8:2; Luke 19:10, 5:32; John 20:31, 17:3

What You Heard in the Word

- ▶ Because all four Gospels were written by different men, they should be different. The differences confirm that the Bible is true. If they were identical, we would doubt the truth of them.
- ▶ The four Gospels give us a complete picture of Jesus:
 - **Matthew** described Jesus as the promised Messiah and eternal King.
 - **Mark** showed him as the suffering servant, a man of compassion.
 - **Luke** described Jesus as the Son of Man, who came to seek and save the lost.
 - **John** wanted us to believe that Jesus is the Son of God, who alone can bring eternal life.

