

Each of the writers recorded their gospels as a means of preserving their faith in Jesus - his life, teachings, death, and resurrection.



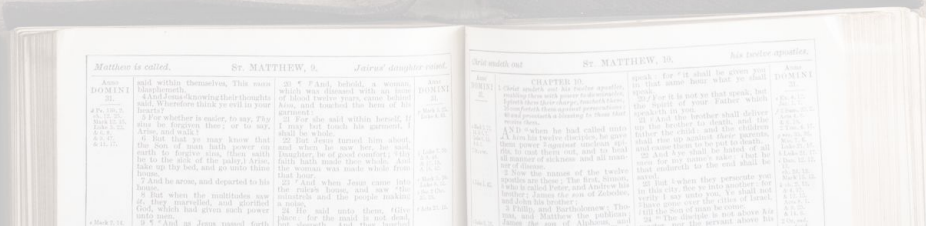
The Gospels

- Different authors
- Different audience
- Different styles
- Similar content, but unique as well
- They don't start the same but they all end the same



Their Message - Our Faith

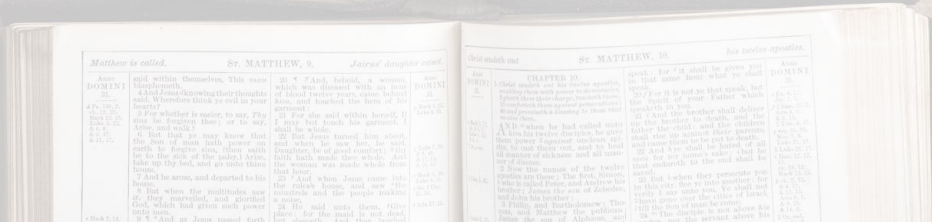
- They were not relaying information from a book.
- They were not recounting history.
- They were sharing their experience.



Does your faith reflect what you believe about the past?

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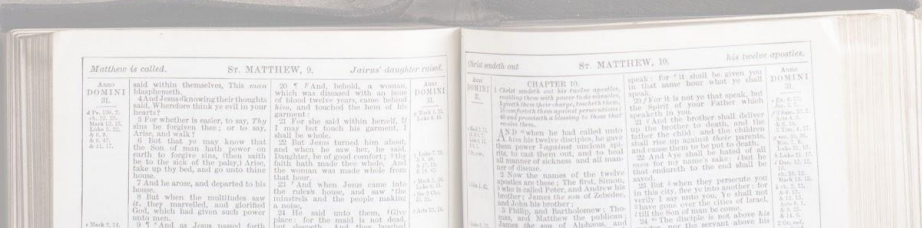
Does your faith reflect your experience and what you believe about your future?



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Luke 1:1 (NIV)

Many have undertaken to draw up an account of the things that have been fulfilled among us,



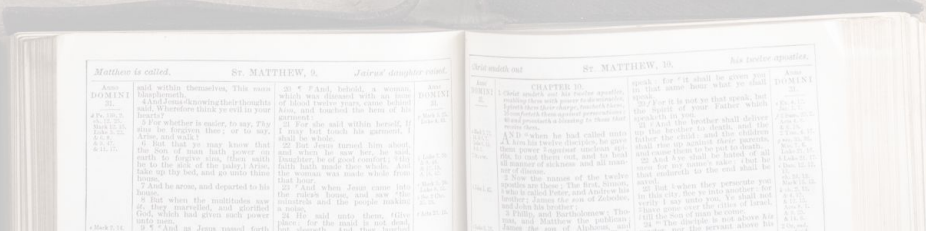
Luke 1:2 (NIV)

Just as they were handed down to us by those who from the first were eyewitnesses and servants of the word.



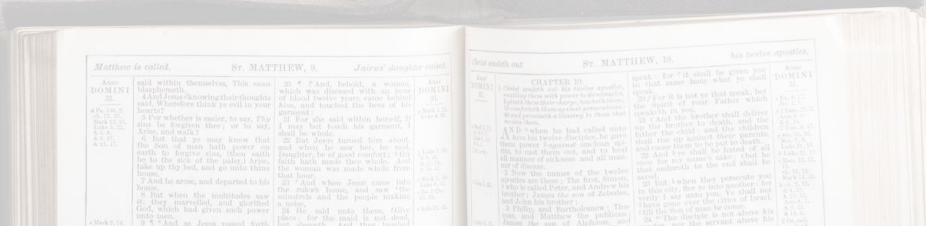
Luke 1:4 (NIV)

So that you may know the certainty of the things you have been taught.



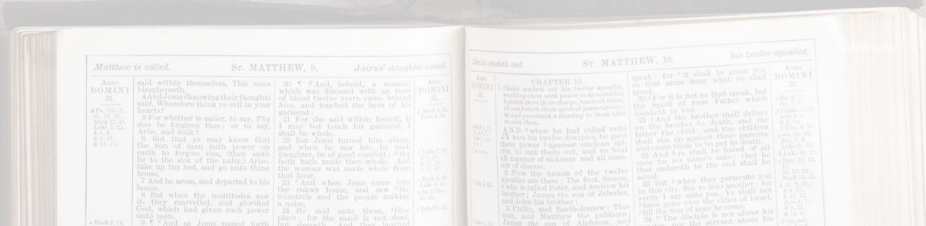
John 20:30 (NIV)

Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book.



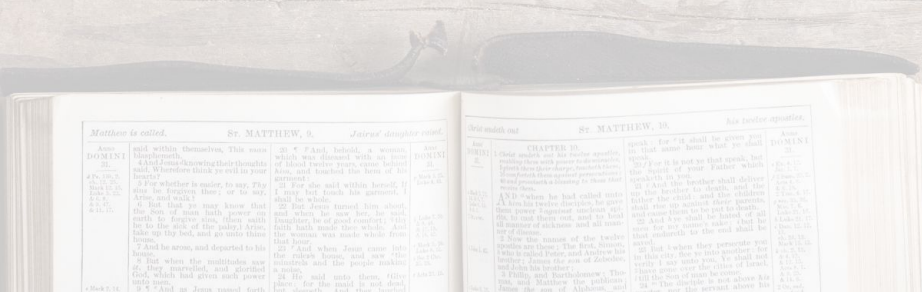
John 20:31 (NIV)

But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.



Matthew

- One of the 12 Disciples
- Former tax collector
- Written between AD 55-65
- “The Jewish Gospel”; genealogy, OT
- Sermon on the Mount - Ch. 5-7



Matthew 6:33 (NIV)

But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.



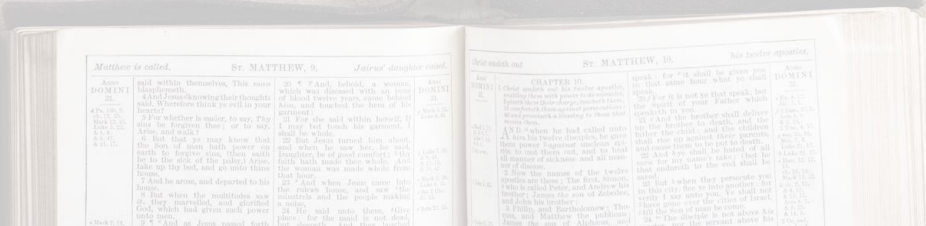
Matthew 28:19 (NIV)

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit



Mark

- A companion of Peter and Paul
- Mentioned in Acts 12
- Written between AD 50-60
- “The Roman Gospel”; more miracles, less parables



Mark 1:15 (NIV)

“The time has come,” he said. “The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!”



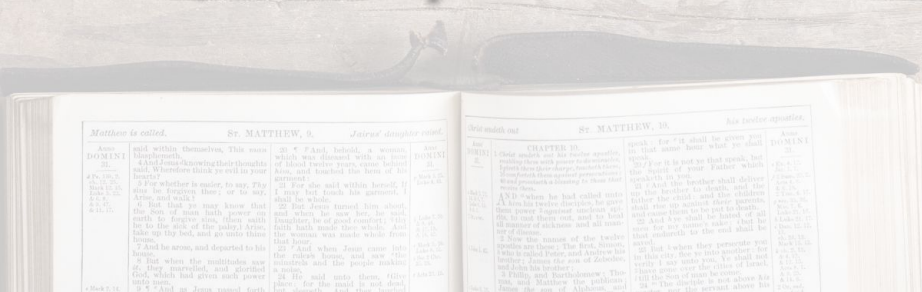
Mark 10:45 (NIV)

For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”



Luke

- A companion of Paul, beloved physician
- Wrote Acts as well, only Gentile author
- Written between AD 55-65
- “The Greek Gospel”; style and literary excellence, most parables



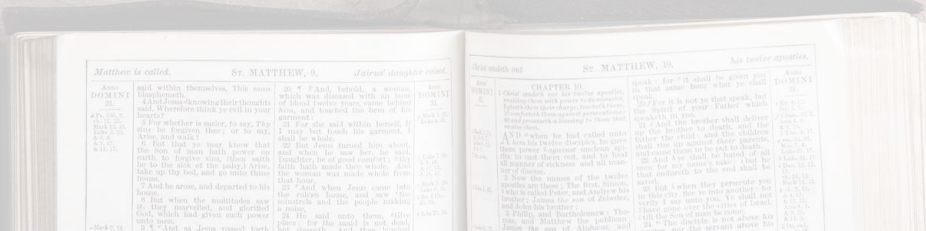
Luke 9:23 (NIV)

Then he said to them all: “Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me.



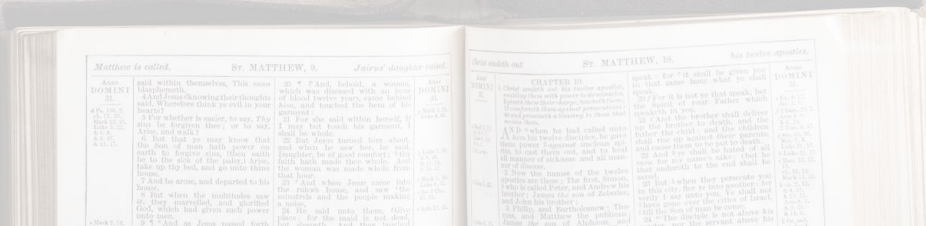
Luke 19:10 (NIV)

For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.



John

- One of the 12 disciples
- Inner circle, “the one Jesus loved”
- Written between AD 85-95
- “The Universal Gospel”; evangelistic



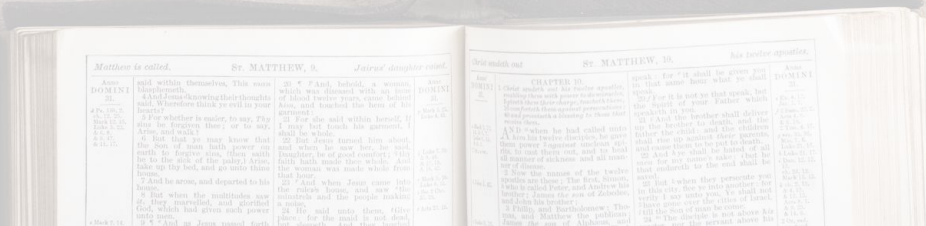
John 3:16 (NIV)

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.



John 20:31 (NIV)

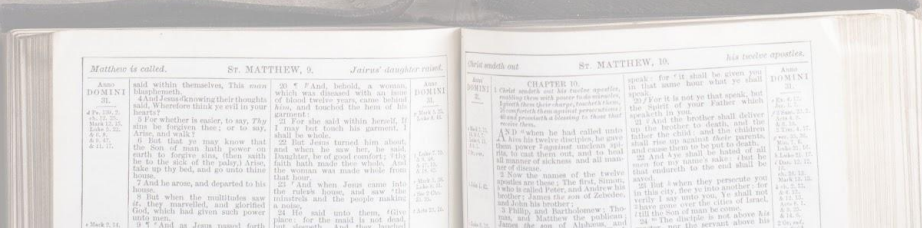
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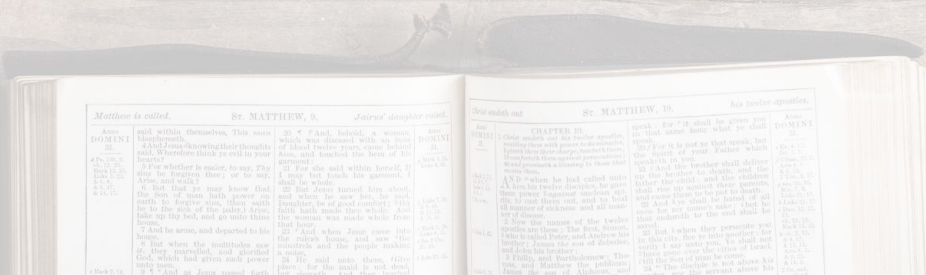
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