

The Gospel of Matthew

Context

In the Old Testament, we see Christ in
prophecy

In the Gospels, we see Christ in history

In Acts, we see Christ in the Church

In the Epistles, we see Christ at work in
our daily experience

In Revelation, we see Christ in His glory

Characteristics of the Four Gospels

Matthew presents Jesus as King

Mark presents Jesus as the Servant

Luke presents Jesus as the Son of Man

John presents Jesus as the Son of God

Characteristics of the Four Gospels

Matthew emphasized what Jesus **said**

Mark emphasized what Jesus **did**

Luke emphasized what Jesus **felt**

John emphasized who Jesus **was**

Characteristics of the Four Gospels

- Matthew wrote to the Jews (lots of prophesis)
- Mark wrote to the Romans (very pragmatic)
- Luke wrote to the Greeks (educated and philosophers)
 - John wrote to the Church

Characteristics of the Four Gospels

Each of the four Gospels is represented by a picture. Which picture represents which Gospel?



Characteristics of the Four Gospels

- Matthew – Man: Jesus born a Child and the Son of David.
- Mark – Lion: Jesus as mighty and powerful in miracles and resurrection.
- Luke – Bull: Jesus as sacrifice on behalf of humanity.
- John – Eagle: Jesus Christ the eternal word of God

Each Gospel ended differently

Matthew with the Resurrection

Mark with the Ascension

Luke with the promise of the Spirit

**John with the promise of Christ's
Return**

Gospel of Matthew - Author

- Matthew was a tax collector who became one of the 12 disciples.
- Jesus asked him to follow him and he forsook everything and immediately followed Him.
- Do we do the same?

Main Features

- When: Written in about 58-68AD
- Where: Written in Palestine or Antioch (Syria).
- Theme: Jesus is the King who was foretold in the prophecies.
- Language: Aramaic (later translated to Greek)
- 28 chapters
- About 42% unique. The rest is mainly shared in Mark and Luke.

The Book of Matthew

The Introduction – Matt 1-4

The Genealogy

The Birth

The Baptism

The Temptation

The Galilean Ministry – Matt 5-18

Sermon on the Mount

Ten Miracles

Ten Rejections

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The Galilean Ministry – Matt 5-18

The Judean Ministry – Matt 19-25

The Crucifixion & Resurrection – Matt 26-28

Three Major Discourses

The Sermon on the Mount (5-7)

The Seven Kingdom Parables (13)

The Second Coming Discourse (24-25)

Sermon on the Mount

- Beatitudes
- Revises and completes the Old Testament laws on adultery, murder etc.
- Instructs us to be the light of the world and salt of the earth.
- Is summed up by the last verse: “Be perfect just as your heavenly Father is perfect.”

Parables of the Kingdom

- 1. The parable of the sower
- 2. The parable of the tares
- 3. The parable of the mustered seed
- 4. The parable of the leaven
- 5. The parable of the hidden treasure
- 6. The parable of the precious pearl
- 7. The parable of the dragnet