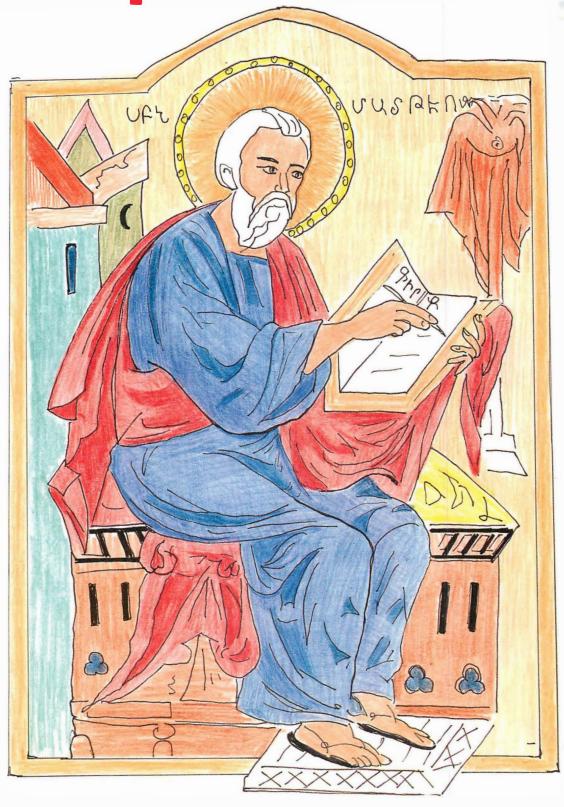
Gospels



MATTHEW

MARK

	The Gospel of Matthew was written in about A.D. 85. This gospel was probably not written by Matthew; the author is unknown. It was written for Jewish Christians who were familiar with the Hebrew Scriptures. It therefore contains many Old Testament references. This gospel was first written in Jerusalem or Antioch. It was written in Greek, the language of the Roman Empire.	The Gospel of Mark was written from about A.D. 65 to 70. Scholars think the gospel was written by John Mark, a friend of Peter and fellow traveler with Paul. This gospel was written in Rome for Gentile Christians; it, too, was first written in Greek.
Number of Chapters		
Sources	The Gospel of Mark and the Q (from quelle meaning source) collection which contained the sayings of Jesus and which was written in Aramaic, the language of Palestine.	Peter the apostle
Character- istics	Written to show that Jesus was the Messiah; the sayings of Jesus are grouped to aid memorization. It was also written to show the Jews how Christ fulfills the Old Testament prophecies.	The shortest gospel; the first gospel; presents Jesus' feelings in a simple and direct way.
Passages found	Matthew 2:1-12 tells about	See: Mark 1:41
only in this	The Sermon on the Mount (chapters 5-7) is made up of verses not found in Mark or Luke.	Mark 3:5
gospel	Matthew 25:31-46 tells us about	Mark 7:34 Mark 8:12
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LUKE

JOHN

The Gospel of Luke was written in about A.D. 75 by the Gentile, Luke, a fellow traveler with Paul. Luke's gospel was first written in Greek for the Gentile Christians thought to be living in the area around Antioch in Syria.

The Gospel of John was written between the years 90 to 100. It was probably written by followers of John for the Gentile Christians living in Ephesus. This gospel was also first written in Greek. It was especially aimed at those new to the faith, who had to understand Christian teachings well enough not to be confused or led astray.

Mark and the Q collection

John the apostle

The most polished of the gospels; shows the compassion of Jesus — friend of the poor, the powerless, sinners. It also gives the most complete "history" of Christ and the early Church that we have, combined with "Acts of the Apostles" also written by Luke.

Shows Jesus as Son of God and Messiah; includes "I am . . .

John 6:35 _____

John 8:12 _____ "

John 9:5 ______ "

John 10:11 _____ "

John 11:25 ______ "

The Song of Mary (Magnificat), 1:46-55.

Luke 2:1-20 tells the story of

Luke 10:25-37 tells us about

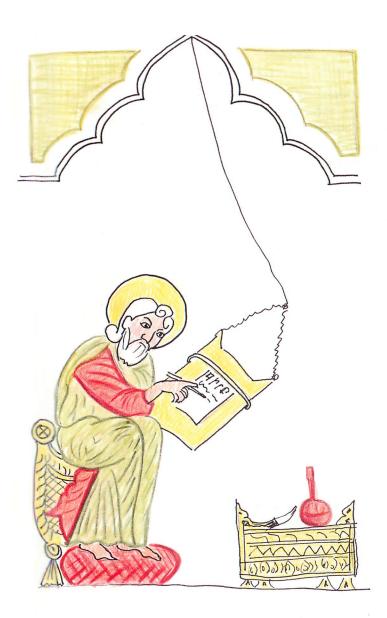
Luke 15:11-32 tells us about

The Introduction or Prologue, 1:1-18.

John 3 tells about Jesus' visit with

John 4 records Jesus' meeting with

John 11 tells about the raising of



Digging into the Gospels

Group A

Look through the Gospel of Matthew, and find any five passages from the Old Testament. Use the concordance to see what book, chapter, and verse in the Old Testament the passages came from. (Read your concordance's directions on how to use it if you don't know.) Be ready to report to the rest of the class these things:

- 1. The words of the passage
- 2. Where it appears in Matthew
- 3. Where it is found in the Old Testament

Group B

Find and read, in each of the four Gospels, the account of Christ's Resurrection. Be prepared to report on how the four are similar, and how they differ from each other.

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