

Divisions of the Bible

New Testament – Gospels

Matthew

Mark

Luke

John

The word “gospel” means “good news.” Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John tell the life story of Jesus – the good news that he came to earth to teach us about God and to die for our sins.

Matthew was one of Jesus’ twelve disciples. **Mark** was John Mark, a cousin of Barnabas described in the book of Acts. **Luke** was a doctor. **John** was a disciple and was probably Jesus’ cousin.

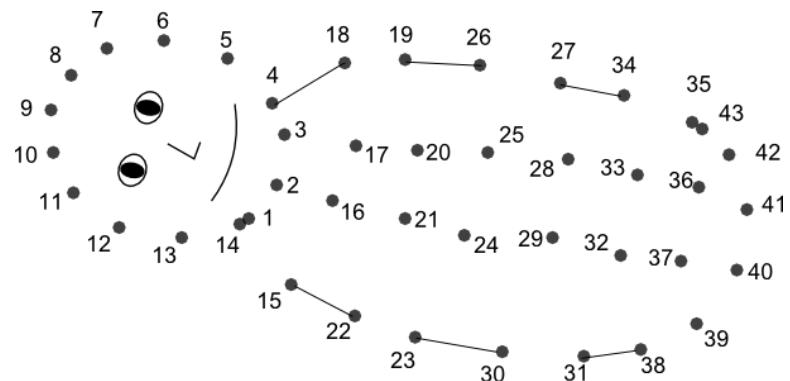
Some stories about Jesus are in all four books, and some are in just one book.

The Birth of Jesus

The story of Jesus’ birth in Bethlehem and visit from the shepherds is found in Luke 2:1-20.

Matthew 2:1-12 tells how the wise men came to visit Jesus later.

Connect the dots for a reminder of how Jesus first came to earth.



Names for Jesus

The book of John uses many different names for Jesus. Draw a line from each name to the matching picture.



The Word (John 1)

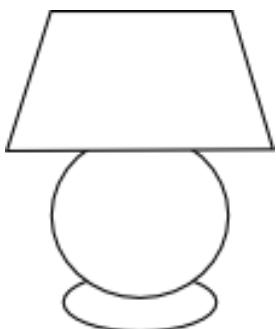
The Bread of Life (John 6)

The Light of the World (John 8)

The Good Shepherd (John 10)

The Way, the Truth, and the Life (John 14)

The Vine (John 15)



The Miracle of the Fish and Bread

Miracles are things that only God can do. Jesus did many miracles, and this showed that he was God.

One day lots of people had come to see Jesus and hear him teach. The people got hungry. Jesus turned five pieces of bread and two fish into enough food to feed 5000 people.

This story is found in all four gospels.

Draw more bread and fish to show how Jesus made more food.



The Parable of the Lost Sheep

Parables are stories to help us understand God. Jesus told many parables.

Jesus told a story about a shepherd with 100 sheep. When one sheep got lost, he left the other 99 sheep in a safe place and went to find the lost sheep. The shepherd is Jesus, and we are the sheep.

This story is found in Matthew 18 and Luke 15.

Draw the shepherd bringing the lost sheep back to the safe place with the other sheep.



Jesus' Death and Resurrection

All four gospels tell about these important events. Unscramble the words to find out what Luke said.

They _____ FRICUDICE SEJUS there, and the two _____ CLASMNIRI,

one on his _____ and one on his _____. Luke 23:33
TRIGH TEFL

He is _____ RHEE he has been _____. Luke 24:6
ONT DRISAE

Word list: CRIMINALS, CRUCIFIED, HERE, JESUS, LEFT, NOT, RAISED, RIGHT

