

Student Notes

New Testament Survey



The life of Jesus and the Early Church

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LESSON 2: The Historical Books – Life of Jesus

- a. The Gospels:** Acts 1:1-3 gives reason for the Gospels – That is...
To show the life and work of Jesus Christ.

The SYNOPTIC Gospels (First 3) – means ‘see together’ –common content

Q-Theory = Matthew, Luke taken from
common texts (commonly believed to be
Mark and Q).

b. The Gospels at a Glance

	Matt Lion	Jesus as the righteous King of the Jews, the Lion of the Tribe of Judah. Emphasis on righteousness . [Spoke 18, pg 323]
	Mark Ox	Jesus as the Servant and the Workman of the Lord. Emphasis on His Miracles, Strength, and Action . [Spoke 19, pg 331]
	Luke Man	Jesus as the Great Physician and Friend of Sinners. Emphasis on His Humanity , Wisdom, and Mercy. [Spoke 20, pg 342]
	John Eagle	Jesus as the Word of God, the Living Bread that "came down from heaven." Emphasis on His Divinity . [Spoke 21, pg 355]

THE GOSPELS AT A GLANCE

MATTHEW	MARK	LUKE	JOHN
<i>Author</i> A civil servant, a tax collector from Galilee; an outsider because of his association with the Roman government; evidences the accountant's attention for detail.	<i>Author</i> A member of a Levitical family with a home in Jerusalem; a cousin of Barnabas; a confidant of Peter; an erstwhile rejected and later restored companion of Paul.	<i>Author</i> A medical doctor, the beloved physician; of Greek origin; traveling compatriot of the apostle Paul; a respected historian; author also of the Acts of the Apostles.	<i>Author</i> The son of a well-to-do fisherman; with his brother, James, one of the inner circle of the Lord's own; also penned three epistles and the Revelation of Jesus Christ.

Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
Jesus is KING	Jesus is SERVANT	Jesus is son of MAN	Jesus is son of GOD
LION	OX	MAN	EAGLE
To JEWS Proving that He is the promised Messiah.	To ROMANS Showing Jesus as the servant-leader.	To all GENTILES Showing Jesus as the perfect man come to reach all mankind.	To CHRISIANS— Showing Jesus as God Himself, presenting Christians with clearer picture.
Jesus as PASTOR/TEACHER	Jesus as APOSTLE	Jesus as EVANGRELIST	Jesus as PROPHET
Jesus the CHOLERIC	Jesus the SANGUINE	Jesus the MELANCHOLY	Jesus the PHLEGMATIC

c. Overview of Jesus' Ministry

	Matt	Mark	Luke	John
1. The 30 years in Nazareth				
a. John's prologue				1
b. The birth narratives	1-2		1-2	
c. Home life in Nazareth			2	
2. The period of preparation				
a. John the Baptist	3	1	3	
b. The baptism of Jesus	3	1	3	
c. The temptation of Jesus	4		4	
3. The Judean ministry of Jesus				1-4
4. The Galilean ministry				
a. Period up to choosing of the twelve	4-11	1-3	5-6	
b. Period up to the withdrawal of Jesus from northern Galilee	12-15	2-7	4, 6-9, 11	5-6
c. Period up to departure of Jesus for Jerusalem on last journey	15-18	7-9	9	
5. The closing period of the ministry				
a. Moving toward Jerusalem			9-18	7-11
b. Journey into Jerusalem	19-20	10	18-19	12
c. The ministry in Jerusalem	21-25	11-13	19-21	12
6. The passion and resurrection of Jesus				
a. From the plot to the arrest	26	14	22	13-18
b. The Passion	26-27	15	23	18-19
c. The resurrection	28	16	24	20-21
d. The ascension			24	
			Acts1	

The Four Gospels

Matthew

B	Intro: John	Galilee Presentation of the King Teaching the Crowds	Judea Rejection of the King Teaching the Disciples	Passion	R
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Mark

P	Public Ministry "Who is he?"	Watershed Moment (8:26)	Jerusalem & Passion "The Son of God"	R
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Luke

B	Intro: John & Jesus	Preparation	Galilee	Jerusalem Journey	Passion	R
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John

P	The Book of Signs That you might believe	Discourse & Passion Narrative That you might have life	R	E
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B = Birth, R = Resurrection, P = Prologue, E = Epilogue

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d. The Gospel of Matthew

Focus	Preparation								Proclamation								
Divisions	Arrival of Messiah		Teaching of Messiah		Healing of Messiah		Reaction to Messiah		Sermons of Messiah		Parables of Messiah		Prophecies of Messiah		Finished Work of Messiah		
	1	4	5	7	8	11	12	15	16	19	20	23	24	25	26	28	
Topics	Teaching All men						Teaching 12 Men										
	Increasing Acceptance						Increasing Antagonism										
Place	Bethlehem / Nazareth				Galilee				Jerusalem								
Time	4 B.C. - A.D. 33																
Author	The Apostle Matthew																

MATTHEW This tax collector-turned-disciple paints a portrait of Jesus as the fulfillment of the OT Messianic prophecies who brings the Kingdom of God to the Earth.

ch. 1-2 BIRTH OF THE MESSIAH Kingly genealogy

EGYPT **PERSIA**

Isaiah 7:14
Micah 5:2
Hosea 11:1
Jeremiah 31:15

ch. 3-4 INAUGURATION OF THE MESSIAH'S MINISTRY

BAPTISM
FATHER
by spirit
by water
by fire

John prepares the way!

Isaiah 40:3

ch. 5-7 MESSIAH'S PREACHING MINISTRY

Repent, for the KINGDOM OF HEAVEN is near

Isaiah 9:1-2

THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT
A new Moses gives a new law, "but I say..."
This is a law from the heart, for eternal rewards.
Good trees make good fruit!

ch. 8-9 MESSIAH'S HEALING MINISTRY

Isaiah 53:4
Hosea 6:6

Blasphemer!
by the Prince of Demons!

New Wine, New Wineskins!

MATTHEW cont'd

ch. 10-11
KINGDOM OFFERED/ KINGDOM REJECTED

ISRAEL
12 SENT

Micah 7:6
Malachi 3:1
JOHN=ELIJAH

ch. 12
MORE EVIDENCE OF THE MESSIAH

ISAIAH 42:1-4
JESUS is the SERVANT!

My true family are those in the Kingdom of God!

ch. 13
PARABLES OF THE KINGDOM

Isaiah 6:9-10

The Kingdom of Heaven is like...
-Seeds on 4 soils
-weeds in the wheat
-mustard seed
-yeast
-hidden treasure
-pearl
-net of good and bad fish

ch. 14-16
CLIMAX OF THE GALILEAN MINISTRY

Isaiah 29:13

YOU ARE THE CHRIST
the Son of the LIVING GOD!
Peter the Rock

The DESCENT to GREATNESS Matthew 17-28

Preview of the King 17

Kingdom Values 18-20

Leader = Servant

GALILEE

JUDEA

JERUSALEM

GO!

The Kingdom Unleashed 28:16-20

Go and make disciples of all nations!

Kingdom of Man Condemned 21-23

Jesus vs. the Elders

Don't be called "father" "rabbi" "teacher" I'm the only one.

Woe to you, teachers of the Law! You have been replaced!

The Power of the Kingdom 26-28

Go to Galilee

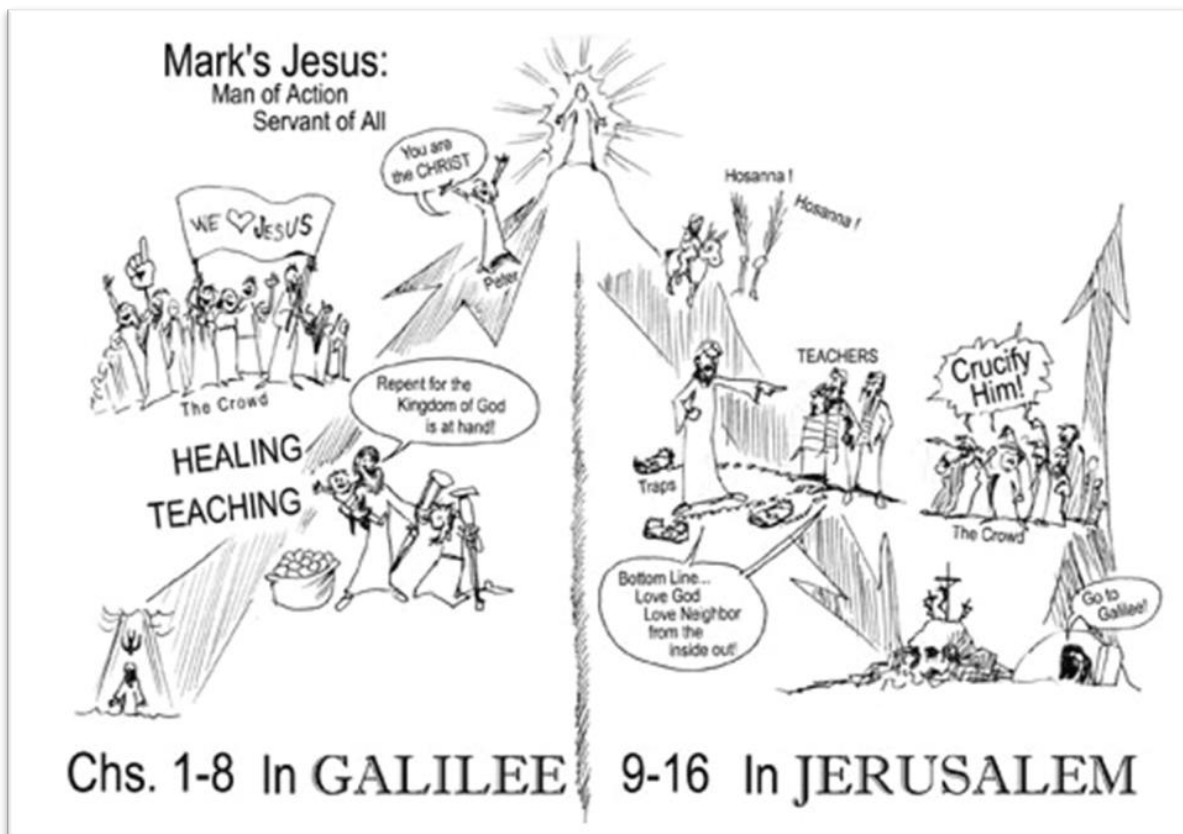
The Kingdom's Coming -- WATCH & WORK! 24-25

TALENTS

THE FIRST BECAME LAST

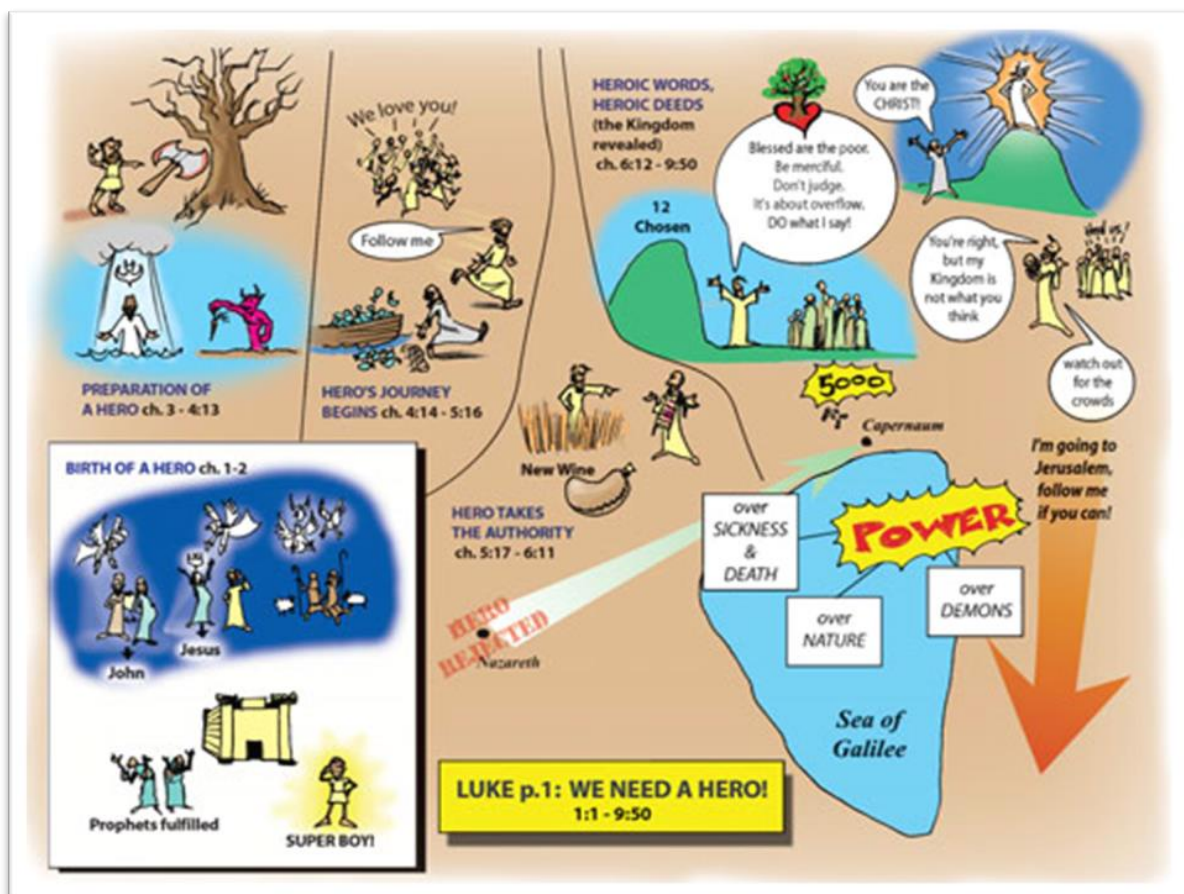
e. The Gospel of Mark

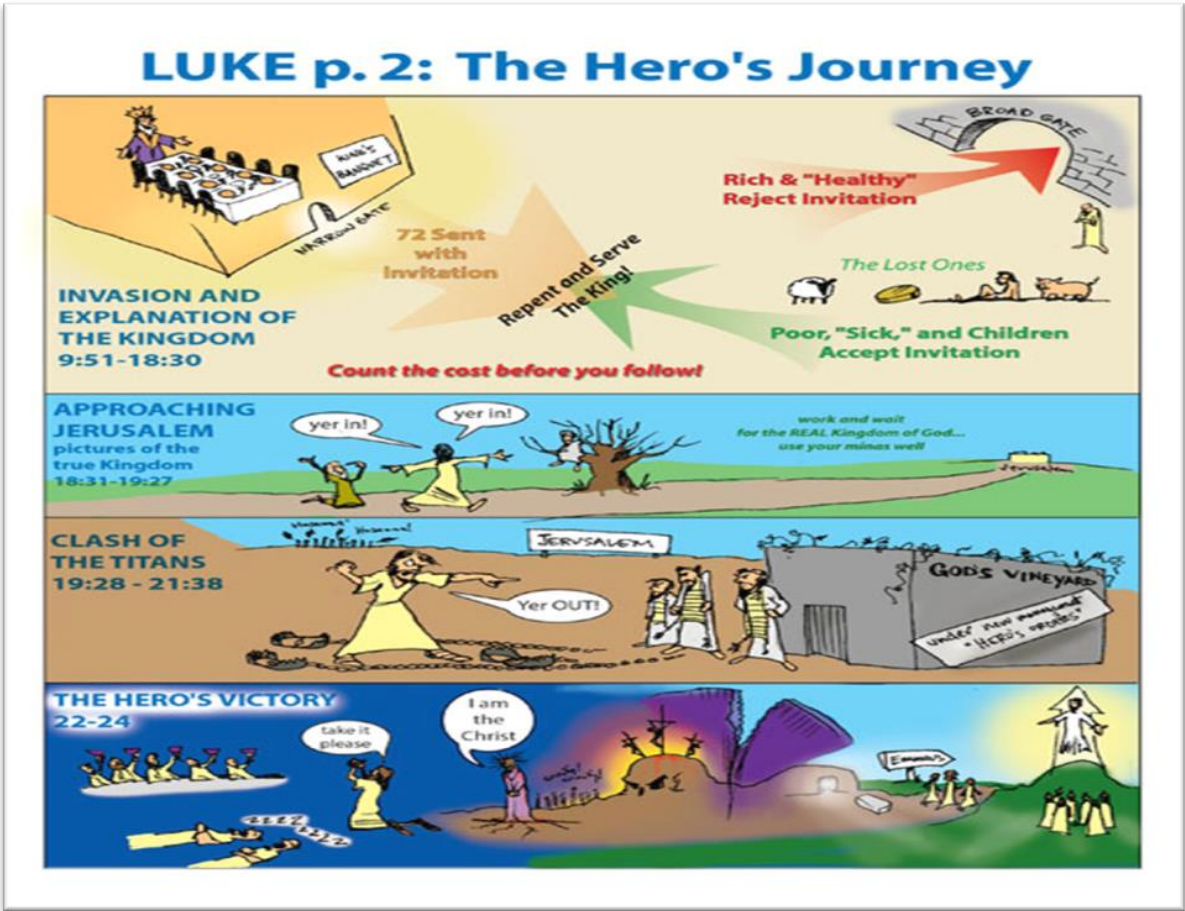
Focus	Servant						Sacrifice								
Divisions	1	Servants of the Servant	3	4	Service of the Servant	7	8	Sayings of the Servant	10	11	Sermons of the Servant	13	14	Sufferings of the Servant	16
Topics	The Son of Man on the Move								The Son of Man on the Cross						
	A living Example								A Dying Savior						
Place	Galilee & Perea								Judea & Jerusalem						
Time	A.D. 29-30														
Author	John Mark As told to him by the Apostle Peter														



f. The Gospel of Luke

Focus	Appearance			Activity								Affliction				
Divisions	Childhood of the Son of Man		Companions of the Son of Man	Confrontations of the Son of Man		Conduct of the Son of Man		Comparisons by the Son of Man		Counsel from the Son of Man		Conflicts over the Son of Man		Crucifixion of the Son of Man		
	1	2	3	6	7	9	10	12	13	15	16	18	19	21	22	24
Topics	Miracles								Parables				Plots			
	Seeking & Teaching												Suffering & Saving			
Place	Jerusalem			Galilee				Samaria & Perea				Jerusalem				
Time	5 B.C. - A.D. 33															
Author	Luke the Doctor															





g. The Gospel of John

Focus	Ministry to Many								Ministry to Few			
Divisions	Manifestation of the Son of God		Ministry to Individuals by the Son of God		Ministry to the Multitudes by the Son of God		Mounting Anger Towards the Son of God		Ministry to the Disciples by the Son of God		Magnification of the Resurrected Son of God	
	1	2	3	5	6	8	9	12	13	17	18	21
Topics	Signs								Sermons		Sacrifice	
	Public Ministry								Private Ministry		Paschal Ministry	
Place	Galilee & Judea								Jerusalem			
Time	About 3 ½ Years								Only a Few Days			
Author	The Apostle John											

