

THE WAYS OF JESUS

Part Two – The Gospel of John

Isaiah 55:8-9 “My thoughts are nothing like your thoughts,” says the Lord. “And my ways are far beyond anything you could imagine. For just as the heavens are higher than the earth, so my ways are higher than your ways and my thoughts higher than your thoughts.”

Psalm 86:11 Teach me your ways, O Lord, and I will walk in your truth; give me an undivided heart, that I may fear your name.

Why are there four Gospels?

Each of the four Gospels have a different _____ . They were written by different authors under the inspiration of God, to meet the unique needs of the various audiences to which they were sent. We, however, have the blessing to have all four Gospels – so reading them is like listening to a perfect four-part harmony, with each one complimenting the others.

What are their themes?

1. **Matthew** – written to _____ , this Gospel points out how the promises God made in the Old Testament regarding the Messiah are fulfilled in Jesus, the King of the Jews.

“A record of the genealogy of Jesus Christ the son of David, the son of Abraham...” (Mat. 1:1)

2. **Mark** – written to _____ living in the Roman Empire, people who were not familiar with the Old Testament. This Gospel portrays Jesus as the servant of the Lord, carrying out His work; it’s action packed, containing more miracles of Jesus than the other Gospels.

“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.” (Mk. 10:45)

3. **Luke** – the most _____ of the Gospels, not written by an eyewitness, but by one who gathered the testimony of eyewitnesses. In this Gospel we see Jesus as the “perfect man” – so the stories included point to the humanity of Jesus.

“...I myself have carefully investigated everything...to write an orderly account...so that you may know the certainty of the things you have been taught.” (Lk. 1:3-4)

4. **John** – emphasizes the _____ of Jesus, that He was God who became man. When you read this Gospel, it leaves no doubt that Jesus is truly the Son of God!

“But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.” (Jn. 20:31)

The Ways of Jesus are:



1. _____ by _____



2. _____ through _____



3. In _____ with our _____



4. _____ by clear _____



5. _____ to _____ life