

## Introduction to the New Testament and Gospels

Four Gospel Glimpses of Christ (from *Talk Thru the Bible*, by Bruce Wilkinson and Kenneth Boa (Nashville, Thomas Nelson Publishers, 1983) pp. 304,348]

	<b>Matthew</b>	<b>Mark</b>	<b>Luke</b>	<b>John</b>
<b>Christ Portrayed as</b>	Prophesied King	Obedient Servant	Perfect Man	Son of God
<b>Original Audience</b>				
<b>Key Word</b>	“fulfilled”	“immediately”	“Son of Man’	“believe”
<b>Key Verse</b>	21:5	10:45	19:10	20:31
<b>Outstanding Feature</b>				
<b>Arrangement of Material</b>	Topical	Chronological	Chronological	Topical
<b>Tone</b>	Prophetic	Practical	Historical	Spiritual
<b>Percent Spoken by Christ</b>	60%	42%	50%	50%
<b>Quotations from Old Testament</b>	53	36	25	20
<b>Allusions to Old Testament</b>	76	27	42	105
<b>Unique Material</b>	42%	59%	7%	92%
<b>Broad Division</b>	Synoptic Gospels (humanity of Christ)			Supplemental Gospel (deity of Christ)

<b>Topics</b>	<b>Matthew</b>	<b>Mark</b>	<b>Luke</b>	<b>John</b>
<b>Probable Date</b>	A.D. 58-68	A.D. 55-65	A.D. 60-68	A.D. 80-90
<b>Place of Writing</b>	Syrian Antioch or Palestine	Rome	Rome/Greece	Ephesus
<b>Original Audience</b>	Jewish Mind (Religious)	Roman Mind (Pragmatic)	Greek Mind (Idealistic)	Universal
<b>Theme</b>	Messiah-King	Servant-Redeemer	Perfect Man	Son of God
<b>Traditional Picture of Christ (cf. Ezek. 1:10 ; Rev. 4:6-8)</b>	(strength, authority)	(service, power)	(wisdom, character)	(deity, person)