

Bible in a Year #45- The Gospel of Mark  
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### The Four Gospels

1. Not **biographies**; four unique **revelations** of Jesus Christ.
2. Significant parallel to Ezekiel's vision Ezek. 1:4-6, 10.
  - a. Mathew reveals Jesus as the **Messiah-King**, or the **lion**.
    - i. To Hebrews, who were **logical**. "**Prove it**"
  - b. Mark reveals Jesus as the **Suffering Servant**, or the **ox**.
    - i. To Romans, who were **experiential**. "**Do It**"
  - c. Luke reveals Jesus as the **Son of Man**, or the **man**.
    - i. To Greeks, who were **knowledgeable**. "**Show It**"
  - d. John reveals Jesus as the **Son of God**, or the **eagle**.

### The Author

1. Mark was his **Roman** surname; John, was his **Hebrew** first name.
2. Mark was an **apostle** but held no position among **original twelve**.
3. Converted by **Peter** (1 Pet. 5:13), became close companion for twelve years.
4. Traveled with **Paul** and **Barnabas** (Acts 13:13; 15:38; 2 Tim. 4:11)
  - a. This double association placed him in a unique position for writing a gospel to **Gentiles** (Paul's mission) based on the teaching of **Peter**.

### Purpose

1. Wrote to **Gentile** Christians living in **Rome**. A "**show me**" people.
2. Lacks genealogy and teaching material: Credentials of a servant- **Action**.

### Outline

1. Jesus' ministry to **multitudes** in **Galilee** (1:1-8:21).
  - a. Key revelation: Who Jesus is- **Servant** of the Lord.
2. Jesus' ministry to **disciples** and journey toward **Judea** (8:22-16:8).
  - b. Key revelation: What that means- He must **suffer**.
3. Jesus purpose as revealed in Mark is summarized in Mark 10:45.
4. The ending of Mark is universally understood to be **added later** (16:9-20).