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Four Portraits of Jesus

1. Circle the Gospel assigned to your group.
2. In your group, read aloud the Scripture passages for your assigned Gospel only. Take brief notes (one or two bullet points) on each passage and respond to the questions.
3. Every member of the group must write out their group's responses. You will need this information for the next part of this learning experience.

Gospel of Matthew Portrait of Jesus

Teacher and Prophet, Like Moses

Jesus teaches and proclaims the redemption of God's Kingdom.

- Matthew 4:23–5:11
- Matthew 13:44–48
- Matthew 25:31–47

Notes:

Questions:

1. In what ways is Jesus portrayed as a teacher and prophet in these passages?
2. What is the central message of his teaching?
3. What do these passages teach us about the Kingdom of God?



Gospel of Mark Portrait of Jesus

The Suffering Servant of God

Jesus is a real human being and the suffering Messiah whose self-sacrifice on the cross redeemed humanity.

- Mark 8:27–37
- Mark 9:30–32
- Mark 11:12–14

Notes:

Questions:

1. In what ways do these passages highlight Jesus' humanity?
2. How does Mark emphasize Jesus as the Suffering Servant of God?

Gospel of Luke Portrait of Jesus

Compassionate Healer

Jesus offers healing, mercy, and compassion to all, especially the poor and oppressed.

- Luke 4:14–22a
- Luke 10:25–37
- Luke 16:19–31

Notes:



Questions:

1. According to Luke, what is Jesus' mission?
2. Who does Jesus unexpectedly highlight as an example of goodness? What does this tell us about who Jesus is?

Gospel of John Portrait of Jesus

Incarnate Word of God

Jesus is the Word of God Made Flesh, present since the beginning of time.

- John 1:1–18
- John 15:1–5
- John 16:25–28

Notes:

Questions:

1. How do these passages demonstrate John's emphasis on Jesus' divinity?
2. What symbols or images does John use to speak of Jesus' divinity?

