

An open Bible lies on a dark wooden table. To its right is a glass of water on a silver, reflective cloth. The background is dark and out of focus.

Exposition of the Gospels

Syllabus

Course Description

**A study of Matthew, Mark, and John,
emphasizing skills and principles for
interpreting the Gospels and using
them in preaching and teaching
(3 hours)**





Course Objectives

By the end of this course the student will be able to...

- ✦ Give a **walk through** Matthew, Mark, and John by section.
- ✦ Solve supposed **discrepancies** between the gospels to answer the Synoptic Problem.
- ✦ Accurately **interpret** gospel genres such as parable, narrative, etc.
- ✦ Explain from the gospels the nature and implications of the **gospel message**.
- ✦ Summarize the key movements in the **life of Christ** and their significance.



Course Objectives

By the end of this course the student will be able to...

- ✦ Write accurate exegetical **outlines** from gospel narratives with their relevant homiletical outlines.
- ✦ Show the contribution of the gospels to the **kingdom theme** of Scripture.
- ✦ Defend **his/her view** on the kingdom of God after studying alternate views.
- ✦ Grow in loving **adoration of Christ** as Savior and Lord.



Course Requirements

- A. Readings (10%)**
- B. Four Passage Outlines (40%)**
- C. Two Class Presentations (50%)**





Course Design

- ⊕ Introduction
- ⊕ Presentations on Matthew & Mark
- ⊕ Presentations on John



Other Matters



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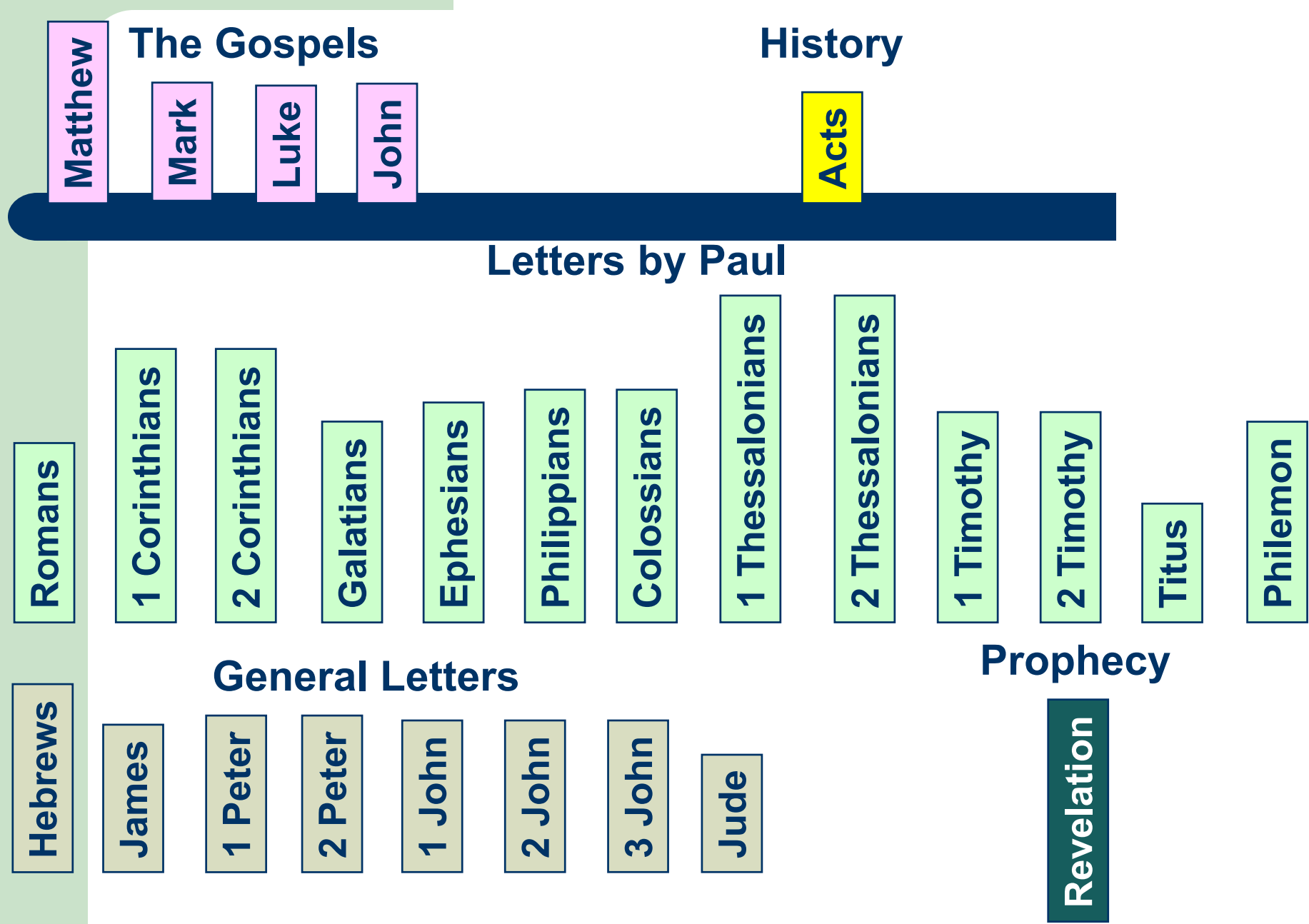
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The New Testament Bookshelf

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Paul's Letters to Churches

Paul's Letters to Pastors

1 Timothy

2 Timothy

Titus

Philemon

2 Thessalonians

1 Thessalonians

Colossians

Philippians

Ephesians

Galatians

2 Corinthians

1 Corinthians

Romans

Revelation

Jude

3 John

2 John

1 John

2 Peter

1 Peter

James

Hebrews

General Letters



Acts

Matthew

Mark

Luke

John

Historical Books

Adapted from Walk Thru the Bible

	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
Job before Saved	Tax Collector	None (Youth)	Medical Doctor	Fisherman
Race	Jew	Jew	Gentile	Jew
Office and / or Spiritual Gift	Apostle	Service or Pastoring	Service or Teaching	Apostle
Readers:				
• Ethnically	Jews	Roman	Gentile (Greek)	World
• Interest	Signs (1 Cor. 1:22)		Wisdom (1 Cor. 1:22)	
• Spiritually	Unbelievers	Believers	Unbelievers	Unbelievers
• Primary Need	Messiahship and Kingdom Offer	Model in Suffering (exhorts discipleship)	Universality (and kingdom expansion)	Deity

The Four Gospels Compared

	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
Date Written	40s	64-68	57-59	late 60s
Place Written	Antioch or Syria	Rome	Caesarea or Rome	Ephesus
Place Sent	Palestine	Rome	To Theophilus	Asia, etc.
Jesus is...	King of Israel (Messiah)	Suffering Servant (Deity)	Ideal Man (Messiah)	Son of God (Deity)
Key Verse	21:5	10:45	19:10	20:31
Themes	Law	Power	Grace	Glory
Literary Emphasis	Sermons	Miracles	Parables	Allegories
Arrangement	Topical	Chronological	Chronological	Topical
Genealogy	Abraham to Joseph	None	Adam to Mary	None

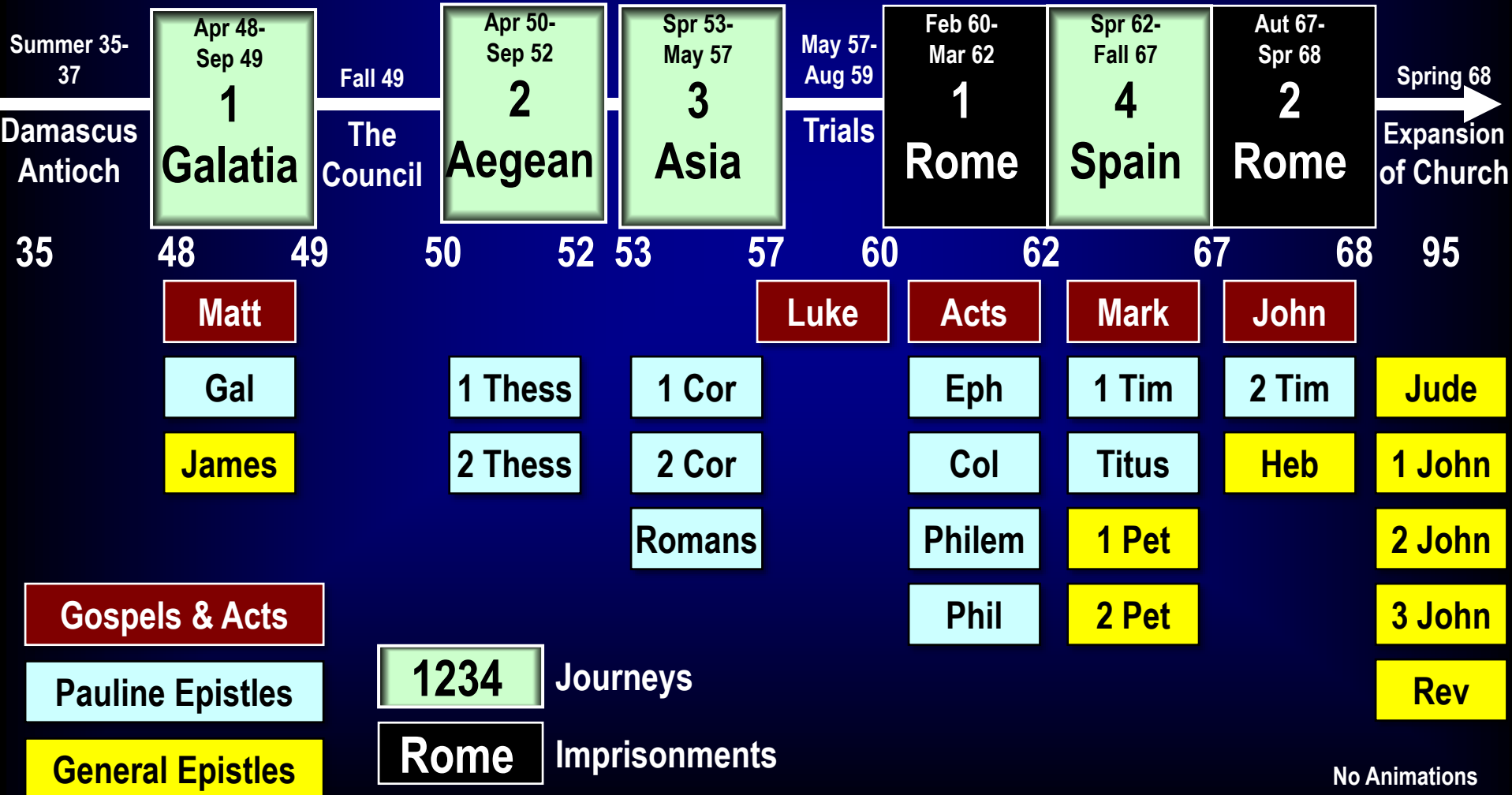
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	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
Scope	Birth to Resurrection	Ministry to Resurrection	Ministry to Resurrection	Ministry to Resurrection
Tone	Prophetic	Pastoral	Historical	Spiritual
Christ's Words	60%	42%	50%	50%
Chapters	28	16	24	21
Verses	1068	661	1149	878
Verses per Chap.	38	41	48	42
OT Quotations	53	36	25	20
OT Allusions	76	27	42	105
OT References	129	63	67	125
Unique Material	42%	7%	59%	92%
Broad Division	----- Synoptic Gospels -----			Supplemental Gospel

NT Overview

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"To the remotest part of the earth" (Acts 1:8)

Acts 9 13 14 15 16 18 21 27 28



Date	Book	Key Word	Paul's Life	Key Doctrine
40s	Matthew	Kingdom		Ecclesiology
44-47	James	Works		Soteriology
49	Galatians	Justification	1st journey	Soteriology
51	1 Thessalonians	Rapture	2nd journey	Eschatology
51	2 Thessalonians	Tribulation	2nd journey	Eschatology
56	1 Corinthians	Sanctification	3rd journey	Ecclesiology
56	2 Corinthians	Apostleship	3rd journey	Ecclesiology
56-57	Romans	Righteousness	3rd journey	Soteriology
57-59	Luke	Sovereignty I		Missiology

Date	Book	Key Word	Paul's Life	Key Doctrine
60	Ephesians	Unity	1st imprisonment	Christology (Head)
61	Colossians	Deity	1st imprisonment	Christology (God)
61	Philemon	Forgiveness	1st imprisonment	Christology (Reconciler)
62	Philippians	Attitude	1st imprisonment	Christology (Example)
62	Acts	Sovereignty II		Missiology
62	1 Timothy	Order	4th journey	Ecclesiology
64	1 Peter	Suffering		Eschatology
64	2 Peter	Knowledge		Eschatology
64-68	Mark	Discipleship		Eschatology

Date	Book	Key Word	Paul's Life	Key Doctrine
66	Titus	Conduct	4th journey	Ecclesiology
67	2 Timothy	Doctrine	2nd imprisonment	Ecclesiology
67-68	Hebrews	Superiority		Christology
c. 69	John	Belief		Soteriology
75	Jude	Pretenders		Eschatology
85-95	1 John	Love		Soteriology
85-95	2 John	Limits		Missiology
85-95	3 John	Missionaries		Missiology
95-96	Revelation	Triumph		Eschatology

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