

Meet Jesus In Mark His Gospel In 24 Readings

“These stories describe in a beautiful, human way the mystery of the gospels. Never before have I been so helped in my faith journey by stories of doubt, hope, and uncertainty for persons whom God used to fulfill his plans. These stories reflect the real world that all of us live in. I recommend them for all who live in the daily chaos of uncertainty in their faith journey. These stories will inspire and encourage us as we read.” —Olive Hobson Northern Ireland The most significant bridge in history is the human story. How better to appreciate the power of the gospels than to hear them told by a master storyteller. These stories come alive as told through that rare combination of an academic’s mind and a pastor’s heart. —Dr. James E Brenneman President, Goshen College, Goshen IN. In Meeting Jesus Don Blosser has crafted a rich anthology of common folks and their uncommon encounters with Jesus. These stories reach far beyond the days of the New Testament. They awaken our interest in familiar biblical texts and inspire us as we ponder our own meetings with those who reflect the light of Christ. As we read, may we marvel at Jesus’ love for the ordinary, and find ourselves in these pages. —Anita Rediger Pastor, Emmaus Road Mennonite Fellowship, Berne, IN. Written in first person and using fresh, modern language, these stories bring ancient texts to life. They open new insights and emotions through imagination and inspiration. —Don Yost Founder, Bridgework Theater, Communications Director Maple City Health Center, Goshen, IN.

The religion of Jesus or the religion about Jesus? The cross as Christ's atoning sacrifice or as a courageous, prophetic martyrdom? With a pastoral/prophetic voice and insights derived from a lifetime in parish ministry and theological education, Meeting Jesus the Christ Again encourages the reader to rethink these and other hotly disputed issues of Christian faith. Taking a big-picture perspective and seeking common ground, Chesnut points us toward a "neo-classical" faith. This engaging book calls us back to the vital center of historic Christian faith.

The publication of the King James version of the Bible, translated between 1603 and 1611, coincided with an extraordinary flowering of English literature and is universally acknowledged as the greatest influence on English-language literature in history. Now, world-class literary writers introduce the book of the King James Bible in a series of beautifully designed, small-format volumes. The introducers' passionate, provocative, and personal engagements with the spirituality and the language of the text make the Bible come alive as a stunning work of literature and remind us of its overwhelming contemporary relevance.

Come Meet Jesus, by Rich Timmons, is a coffee table book featuring 154 pages and 67 full-color paintings telling the story of Jesus of Nazareth through portions of Scripture from Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. The story and paintings naturally flow from the announcement of His upcoming birth and early childhood years, His ministry and miracles, the Passion week, His resurrection, and His return.

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The earliest of the four Gospels, the book portrays Jesus as an enigmatic figure, struggling with enemies, his inner and external demons, and with his devoted but disconcerted disciples. Unlike other gospels, his parables are obscure, to be explained secretly to his followers. With an introduction by Nick Cave

Of the many recent books on the historical Jesus, none has explored what the latest biblical scholarship means for personal faith. Now, in Meeting Jesus Again for the First Time, Marcus Borg addresses the yearnings of those who want a fully contemporary faith that welcomes rather than oppresses our critical intelligence and openness to the best of historical scholarship. Borg shows how a rigorous examination of historical findings can lead to a new faith in Christ, one that is critical and, at the same time, sustaining. "Believing in Jesus does not mean believing doctrines about him," Borg writes. "Rather, it means to give one's heart, one's self at its deepest level, to . . . the living Lord." Drawing on his own journey from a naive, unquestioning belief in Christ through collegiate skepticism to a mature and contemporary Christian faith, Borg illustrates how an understanding of the historical Jesus can actually lead to a more authentic Christian life—one not rooted in creeds or dogma, but in a life of spiritual challenge, compassion, and community. In straightforward, accessible prose, Borg looks at the major findings of modern Jesus scholarship from the perspective of faith, bringing alive the many levels of Jesus' character: spirit person, teacher of alternative wisdom, social prophet, and movement founder. He also reexamines the major stories of the Old Testament vital to an authentic understanding of Jesus, showing how an enriched understanding of these stories can uncover new truths and new pathways to faith. For questioning believers, doubters, and reluctant unbelievers alike, Meeting Jesus Again for the First Time frees our understanding of Jesus' life and message from popular misconceptions and outlines the way to a sound and contemporary faith: "For ultimately, Jesus is not simply a figure of the past, but a figure of the present. Meeting that Jesus—the living one who comes to us even now—will be like meeting Jesus again for the first time."

Jesus Revealed reintroduces readers to the true Son of God, helping them see him with clear vision, so that they can love him more fully and follow him more completely. Readers will be surprised and delighted as they get to know the Jesus whose face is clearly revealed through the titles God gave him and the names used for him by his earliest followers. A sense of comfortable familiarity with the Savior can cloud people’s vision—and even prevent them from drawing closer to Jesus as he really is. His titles and descriptions are heard so often that it’s easy to miss the impact of their true meaning. Even the name Jesus is so well known that it has lost much of its power in believers’ lives. In these pages, readers will encounter a Jesus who surprises and unsettles, who comforts and empowers, in astonishingly authentic ways. Each chapter focuses on one aspect of Jesus’ identity—such as Rabbi, Son of Man, Light of the World. As pastor and scholar Mark Roberts explores what’s behind each of these titles, he brings insight into the theological and historical meanings, and then relates them to life today. Readers will travel back to first-century Palestine, meet the God-man we know as Jesus, and experience a soul-changing encounter with him. Because to know him is to love him.

This innovative study of the Fourth Gospel introduces important new perspectives on synoptic problems and challenges many theories about the nature of the Gospel of John’s sources and composition practices. Its analysis shows that the author of John knew a written version of Mark’s gospel, had strong theological objections to how Mark depicted the nature and story of

Jesus and the gospel message, and composed his gospel as a theologically corrected rewriting of Mark's, using the latter's gospel as a narrative guideline for his own composition. By focusing on several seemingly different stories in Mark and John that deal with issues relating to how Jesus proved his authority, the book places each of the incidents in their narrative, sequential, and theological context, demonstrating that John knew Mark's specific stories in the same sequential order that appeared in Mark, and that John's stories represented theologically altered rewrites of the ones in Mark. The study examines the nature of John's objections to Mark, what changes John would want to make to Mark, and the formulaic editorial techniques John used to transform Mark's gospel into John's gospel. Of particular interest, it shows how John transformed Mark's stories about proof through exorcisms into Johannine stories about proof through words.

To Christians worldwide, the man Jesus of Nazareth is the centerpiece of history, the object of faith, hope, and worship. Even those who do not follow him admit the vast influence of his life. For anyone interested in knowing more about Jesus, study of the four biblical Gospels is essential. The second edition of *Four Portraits, One Jesus* has been updated throughout to meet the needs of today's students. It is a thorough yet accessible introduction to the four biblical Gospels and their subject, the life and person of Jesus. Like different artists rendering the same subject using different styles and points of view, the Gospels paint four highly distinctive portraits of the same remarkable Jesus. With clarity and insight, Mark Strauss illuminates these four books addressing the following important areas: First he addresses the nature, origin, methods for study, and historical, religious, and cultural backgrounds of the Gospels. He then moves on to closer study of each narrative and its contribution to our understanding of Jesus, investigating things such as plot, characters, and theme. Finally, he pulls it all together with a detailed examination of what the Gospels teach about Jesus' ministry, message, death, and resurrection, with excursions into the quest for the historical Jesus and the historical reliability of the Gospels. This textbook together with its workbook, video lectures, and laminated sheet gives students everything they need for a thorough and enriching study of Jesus and the Gospels. A Presbyterian pastor examines the many aspects of Jesus's identity, such as Rabbi, Son of Man, and Light of the World, bringing insight into the theological and historical meanings and then relating them to the reader's faith and life today. Original.

In the book of Mark, Jesus eagerly proclaims the Good News: the Kingdom of God has come. What does that mean for those of us who follow Jesus? *Mark: Getting to Know Jesus* is an excellent introduction to the book of Mark and the important themes contained in this earliest gospel. *A Guided Discovery of the Bible* The Bible invites us to explore God's word and reflect on how we might respond to it. To do this, we need guidance and the right tools for discovery. The *Six Weeks with the Bible* series of Bible discussion guides offers both in a concise six-week format. Whether focusing on a specific biblical book or exploring a theme that runs throughout the Bible, these practical guides in this series provide meaningful insights that explain Scripture while helping readers make connections to their own lives. Each guide is faithful to Church teaching and is guided by sound biblical scholarship presents the insights of Church fathers and saints includes questions for discussion and reflection delivers information in a reader-friendly format gives suggestions for prayer that help readers respond to God's word appeals to beginners as well as to advanced students of the Bible By reading Scripture, reflecting on its deeper meanings, and incorporating it into our daily life, we can grow not only in our understanding of God's word, but also in our relationship with God."

This investigative work explores the Eastern legend that upon crucifixion, Jesus did not in fact die on the cross but was taken secretly to India, where he lived to a ripe old age and eventually died. Two other important Eastern legends are also examined: the shroud of Turin and the holy miracle light of Jerusalem.

The monthly "catechesis" in the Cathedral of St. Stephen by the Archbishop of Vienna, Cardinal Christoph Schoenborn, have become an institution among many people in Austria. In simple but beautiful words and vibrant images presented by the Cardinal, the doctrine and the practice of the faith are fruitfully brought together. This book contains a cycle of catechesis, or teachings on the Christian faith, which pose fundamental questions with respect to the confession of the faith: How can God be one and triune? How can He be all powerful and at the same time permit evil? Is our life free or pre-determined? How is Christianity different from other religions? How are we to understand the signs and miracles of Jesus? Why must we believe in the Resurrection of Jesus and hope in our own life after death? Cardinal Schoenborn explores these and many other important questions about the Christian faith, and especially about the life and teachings of Jesus Christ, in his usual lucid and compelling style. He leads us to a deeper realization of who Christ is, what his saving mission was, and how we can know and love Him in a personal and profound way. An inspiring and practical work by a great churchman about the eternal importance of the Christian faith, and the life and teachings of Jesus Christ, and how it is crucial for our everyday life. "Catechesis is something different from a theological discourse. Catechesis is actually a way, and we are invited to set out on such a catechetical way. For catechesis is very closely connected with the mission of Jesus himself. It is actually the direct translation of his mission, which he gave to the apostles at the end of his life: 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations.' " - Cardinal Christoph Schoenborn

When did the good news about Jesus Christ begin? At Christmas? No. At Easter? No. How about in the New Testament? Not exactly. Let the Gospel writer, Mark, introduce you to the greatest story ever told - the story of forgiveness, salvation and life - the story of Jesus. His story begins in a desert, back with an Old Testament promise from God.

This book is about creating healthy, honest, and authentic communities that are safe places for people to know and be known "salugenic communities".

?The Christian presence in education has never been more controversial. While some secularists oppose any form of religious involvement in schools or universities, some Christians also wonder why the churches are there. Conflicting narratives surround the purpose of Christian involvement in education. Yet at the heart of Christianity stands an educator, whose passion and resurrection can be understood afresh as learning. But what does it mean to say that Jesus was a teacher? If he was a good teacher, was he also a learner? Is today's Christian church learning? Can educators help the church to recover a 'learning Christ' who places learning at the heart of the Godhead and the church? How could the Christian churches take the educational significance of Jesus more seriously? Christian teachers often find themselves divided between a professional discourse on learning and making progress, and a theological vocabulary which they do not fully own, connecting only sporadically with their professional identity. This book helps educators to treat their teacher identity as a theological resource, rather than an obstacle, and in so doing to discover new insights on Christ which can be of relevance to the wider church and its mission.

"Jesus was more than simply a kindly fellow wandering around the hills of Galilee. He is the image of the unseen God."—From Chapter Two What do you think of Jesus? Do you think of him at all? Maybe you're too busy or you've lost interest or you've betrayed his friendship. Maybe you think there's nothing more to discover or maybe you think there is but don't know where to start. George Martin offers some good news: It's never too late to get to know Jesus. Jesus is near to you and passionately concerned about your well-being. In these short, lively reflections, Martin explores Scripture to reveal how Jesus

demonstrates his mercy, comfort, strength and forgiveness, and how, time and again, he leads us out of our anxieties into his steadfast presence.

Marcus Borg offers the fruit of a lifetime's research and reflection on the Gospel of Mark. Ideal both for new Christians and for those who would like a fresh perspective on Mark's portrait of Jesus. Includes questions for group study or private reflection

Examines contradictions and discrepancies that come to light when the New Testament is studied from a historical perspective, including varying views of Jesus and salvation and forgeries in the names of the apostles.

Friend, God loves you more than you can imagine. So much so, He gave His only begotten Son so you can have eternal life. Many people in your life have probably already counted you out and written you off as worthless. However, you deserve a second chance and God will provide this for you! Jesus can erase the bad chapters in your life. Perhaps, you have felt unfulfilled in life? God will provide that fulfillment. He has been blessing you even before you ever heard of Him! He has been looking for you all of your life! Only God can provide the peace in life you are seeking! You may be an underdog in life, but God gives the victory to the underdog all the time! You can live the Christian life! Perhaps, you have become disenchanted with religion today? This is why it important for you tto Get to Know Jesus For Yourself! True Christianity is radically different than the watered-down, lifeless versions that television ministries offer today. No other lifestyle can compare to the joy and peace of the Christian life! This book is just a humble attempt to show you this fact that will change your life for the better forever!

Most Bible commentaries take us on a one-way trip from the twentieth century to the first century. But they leave us there, assuming that we can somehow make the return journey on our own. In other words, they focus on the original meaning of the passage but don't discuss its contemporary application. The information they offer is valuable -- but the job is only half done! The NIV Application Commentary Series helps us with both halves of the interpretive task. This new and unique series shows readers how to bring an ancient message into a modern context. It explains not only what the Bible means but also how it can speak powerfully today.

Jesus Christ is a light that will reveal salvation to the nations... So wrote Luke, the only Gentile writer found in the New Testament Scriptures. Luke saw in Jesus Christ the fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy: "Arise! Shine! Your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has dawned. Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn." In clearly described themes, Luke takes his readers on a journey of discovery, finding in Jesus Christ, not only the light for Israel, but for people of all nations of the world. "The book you hold in your hands is no dry seminary text, nor is it a feel-good self-help devotional. There is a wealth of information here, presented in a clear and accessible writing style that makes this commentary a great read for new believers and seasoned theologians alike. Luke's Gospel is examined not in a vaccuum, but in the context of the totality of Scripture where frequent references to supporting verses serve as roadsigns, assuring the reader that he is on the right road. This commentary informs and delights!"

In Mark: Getting to Know Jesus, one of eight guided studies in the series, young adults come to understand more deeply the message and mission of Jesus. For busy adults who want to study the Bible but don't know where to begin, Six Weeks with the Bible provides an inviting starting point. Each guide is divided into six concise, 90-minute segments that introduce one book of the Bible. All biblical text is printed in the guides, which means no additional study aids are required.

From Jesus to His First Followers represents the process of transformation that began after Jesus' death. Continuity and discontinuity between the early groups of followers and Jesus are primarily examined in the religious practices.

Written by an L. A. County homicide detective and former atheist, Cold-Case Christianity examines the claims of the New Testament using the skills and strategies of a hard-to-convince criminal investigator. Christianity could be defined as a "cold case": it makes a claim about an event from the distant past for which there is little forensic evidence. In Cold-Case Christianity, J. Warner Wallace uses his nationally recognized skills as a homicide detective to look at the evidence and eyewitnesses behind Christian beliefs. Including gripping stories from his career and the visual techniques he developed in the courtroom, Wallace uses illustration to examine the powerful evidence that validates the claims of Christianity. A unique apologetic that speaks to readers' intense interest in detective stories, Cold-Case Christianity inspires readers to have confidence in Christ as it prepares them to articulate the case for Christianity.

Presents the story of Jesus, from his birth in Bethlehem, through his years of preaching and teaching, to his crucifixion and resurrection.

Once you've met Jesus, you are never the same again. His teaching challenges your thinking. His compassion softens your heart. His love turns your life around. In this thirteen session LifeGuide® Bible Study, evangelist Leighton Ford leads you through thirteen studies from the four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke and John) that will open your eyes anew--or for the first time--to Jesus Christ.

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