

GULF SHORES CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Jesus, The Messiah

Introduction:

- A. How would you describe Jesus? - **Matthew 16:13-16**
- B. Jesus asked, “*Who do men say that I, the Son of man, am?*” - **Matthew 16:13**
- C. Josephus: “a wise man”
- D. Jew: “Yishu’a of Nazareth”
- E. Muslim: “a prophet”
- F. Agnostic: “just a good man”
- G. But what do the gospel writers, those who walked with him, say about Jesus?

Discussion:

I. Matthew = Jesus: “The Prophetic Savior”

- A. Initially written to Jews
- B. Book’s beginning and ending:
 - **Matthew 1:1**
 - **Matthew 28:18-20**
- C. One verse Bible summary - **Acts 18:28**

II. Mark = Jesus: “The Powerful Servant”

- A. Initially written to the “might-makes-right” Romans.
- B. Book’s beginning and ending:
 - **Mark 1:1**
 - **Mark 16:19**
- C. One verse Bible summary - **Acts 10:38**

III. Luke = Jesus: “The Personable Sympathizer”

- A. Initially written to the Gentiles, especially the Greeks.
- B. Book’s beginning and ending:
 - **Luke 1:5-38**
 - **Luke 24:51-53**
- C. One verse Bible summary - **Hebrews 4:15**

IV. John = Jesus: “The Pre-Incarnate Son of God”

- A. Initially written for everybody.
- B. Book’s beginning and ending:
 - **John 1:1-14**
 - **John 21:25**
- C. One verse Bible summary - **Philippians 2:5-7**

Conclusion:

- A. What do you think about Jesus? - **Matthew 16:13-16**
- B. Jesus is waiting for you to decide if you will recognize Him as lord!