*God Reveals*, Chapter 5:  
Jesus and God’s Kingdom Seen through the Synoptic Gospels

Textbook Video Supplements

# 1st Century Nazareth Village Comes to Life

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CyDyIyn-yRE>

Ch. 5 › Introduction (Understanding Matthew › Mark and Luke) › Which Synoptic Gospel Was Written First?

Life in Jesus’s time recreated in a replica village

1. What is most interesting to you about life in Jesus’s time?
2. Why is it important to understand the cultural context of Jesus’s ministry?

# The reason why 1 Gospel is not enough

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a-7GF7HlSNQ>

Ch. 5 › Section 1 (Individual Characteristics of the Synoptic Gospels)

Gives an analogy for how the four Gospels show different dimensions of the same Jesus so we can grasp his totality

1. Why do the Gospels record different things about Jesus’s life and ministry?
2. Which Gospel’s presentation of Jesus do you most relate to?
3. What are some things you would like to know about Jesus that are not recorded?

# Why Do We Have Four Gospels?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ggIXPM8syhI>

Ch. 5 › Section 1 (Individual Characteristics of the Synoptic Gospels)

Explains the focus, audience, and purpose of each Gospel

1. What are some of your favorite Gospel stories about Jesus’s life?
2. Why is it important not to use “one size fits all” evangelization or sharing of our faith?

# The Chosen scene: Jesus heals the paralytic

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dlBOmQ1PaMY>

Ch. 5 › Section 3 (Jesus’s Teachings, Pronouncements, and Miracles in the Synoptic Gospels) › Miracle Stories › Physical Healings

Clip from the hit show depicting the dramatic and emotional miracle

1. How does this miracle make you feel?
2. Why is it so important to ask directly for healing?
3. What strikes you about Jesus’s reaction to healing the paralytic? Why?