



Luke, Mark, and Matthew are the Synoptic Gospels (one view) they combine to tell the story of Jesus. Let's lean into how the three books complement and expound on each other.

John will be up next. He is much more interested in theology than story. For example, there aren't parables in John.

I'd like for us to have read through the synoptic Gospels before Kairos. Here a plan to cover Matthew in 10 days:

#### Day 1: The King's Arrival

##### **Matthew 1:1–2:23**

- Genealogy of Jesus
- Birth of Jesus
- Visit of the Magi
- Flight to Egypt and return to Nazareth

#### Day 2: The King's Forerunner and Early Ministry

##### **Matthew 3:1–4:25**

- Ministry of John the Baptist
- Baptism of Jesus
- Jesus' temptation in the wilderness
- Beginning of Jesus' ministry
- Calling of the first disciples

#### Day 3: The Sermon on the Mount

##### **Matthew 5:1–7:29**

- The Beatitudes
- Teachings on anger, lust, divorce, oaths, retaliation, and love for enemies
- Instructions on giving, prayer, and fasting
- Treasures in heaven
- Judging others
- Ask, seek, knock
- Building your house on the rock



#### Day 4: Jesus' Miracles Begin

##### **Matthew 8:1–9:34**

- Jesus heals a leper, the centurion's servant, and Peter's mother-in-law
- Calming the storm
- Casting out demons
- Healing of the paralytic
- Calling of Matthew
- Healing of Jairus' daughter, the bleeding woman, and two blind men

#### Day 5: Sending Out the Twelve

##### **Matthew 9:35–11:30**

- Jesus sends out the Twelve with instructions
- Warnings of persecution and encouragement
- John the Baptist's question from prison
- Jesus' invitation: "Come to me, all who are weary"

#### Day 6: Parables of the Kingdom

##### **Matthew 12:1–13:58**

- Jesus is Lord of the Sabbath
- Healing the man with a withered hand
- Parables of the sower, weeds, mustard seed, hidden treasure, and net
- Rejection in His hometown

#### Day 7: Miracles and Confession

##### **Matthew 14:1–16:28**

- Death of John the Baptist
- Feeding of the 5,000
- Jesus walks on water
- Healing of the Canaanite woman's daughter
- Feeding of the 4,000
- Peter's confession of Christ

#### Day 8: Teaching and Transfiguration

##### **Matthew 17:1–20:34**

- The Transfiguration
- Jesus heals a demon-possessed boy
- Teachings on forgiveness, humility, and marriage
- The rich young ruler
- Healing two blind men



## Day 9: The King's Final Week

### **Matthew 21:1–25:46**

- Triumphal Entry
- Cleansing the temple
- Teachings in the temple
- The Olivet Discourse (end times teaching)

## Day 10: Betrayal, Crucifixion, and Resurrection

### **Matthew 26:1–28:20**

- The Last Supper
- Jesus' arrest, trial, and crucifixion
- Resurrection and the Great Commission