



Matthew



Mark



Luke



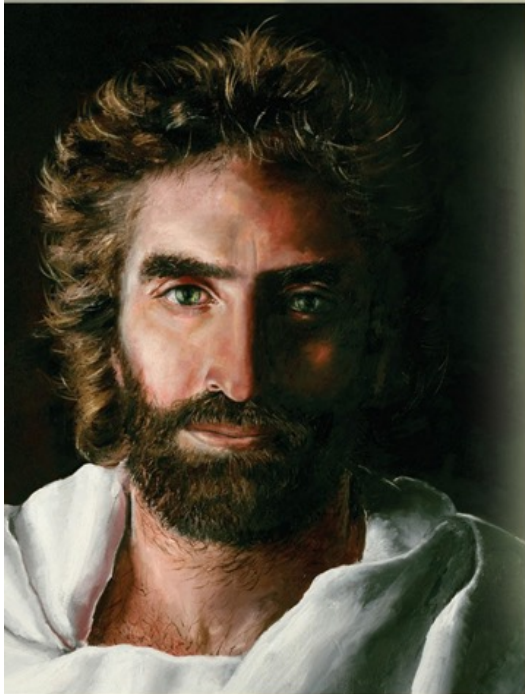
John



**Matthew** wrote his gospel with Jesus pictured as a Lion. The lion from the tribe of Judah. Matthew traces the ancestry of Jesus back to David, beginning with the cry of the wise men, “Where is He that is born King of the Jews?” Matthew throughout his gospel uses the O.T. scriptures to constantly show his audience that Jesus is the Messiah.



**Mark** - wrote His gospel picturing Jesus as a servant which is the picture of the Ox, a beast of burden used to serve mankind. Mark portrays the Lord Jesus as the one not to minister unto, but to minister, “and to give His life for the ransom for many.” (9Mk 10:45) Mark’s objective is to show the Lord in constant service and then giving His life in sacrifice.



**Luke** -wrote His gospel by portraying Jesus from His ancestry in Luke 3 where he traces the roots of Jesus back to first man, Adam and then showing Jesus is the last Adam. Thus Luke shows the humanity of Jesus and so Lukes gospel is the picture of a man. It is also in Luke’s gospel that we see Jesus favorite title for Himself, “Son of Man”



**John** – his portrait of Jesus in his gospel is that of an eagle, the most regal or majestic of birds. John's gospel shows Jesus came from heaven. This is the gospel that presents the Lord Jesus Christ as the "Son of God," emphasizing His Divine Nature even in His incarnation. As "the eagle" spreads his wings and soars into the heavens, so this gospel emphasizes the resurrection of Christ and His return to His Father following His resurrection.

