

Whose Gospel Was It?

Both Matthew and Luke give accounts of Jesus' birth. They tell the same story, but in different ways. Identify the Gospel verse(s) to match each description below. Use your Bible or go to usccb.org/nab. Then complete the sentences.

Description	Matthew	Luke
Angel appears to Mary		1:26
Angel appears to Joseph	1:19-20 or 2:13	
Mary's Magnificat		1:46-55
Zachariah's prophecy		1:67-79
star	2:2	
census registration		2:1-5
King Herod	2:1,3	1:5
manger and inn		2:7
Magi as first to worship Jesus	2:11	
shepherds as first to worship Jesus		2:8-15
flight into Egypt	2:13-15	

When does Matthew first use the term "Messiah"? 1:1 . What is it in reference to? the genealogy of Jesus .

When does Luke first use the term "Messiah"? 2:11 . What is it in reference to? angel telling shepherds that the Messiah has come .

Matthew's genealogy of Jesus (1:1-17) goes back to Abraham .

Luke's genealogy (3:23-28) goes back to Adam .



Parents and Catechists: The four evangelists each wrote in a different place and time, as well as for different groups of people. Mark's audience included Christians who were being persecuted for their beliefs during the Reign of the Roman emperor Nero. Matthew wrote for a Jewish audience, striving to show them that Jesus came to perfect the law of Moses.