# Public Ministry of Jesus Christ



Jesus

Preincarnate, Son of God
**5/4 BCE** Jesus born, flees to Egypt
Early years and growth in Galileee
*Mt 1-2, Lk 1-3, Jn 1*

**Public Ministry**

John calls people to repent in preparation for the Messiah

Jesus baptized and tempted at the beginning of his public ministry

*Mt 3-4*
*Mk 1*
*Lk 3*
*Jn 1-4*

**Early Judean Ministry**

Jesus calls disciples to be with him as he ministers

Fall

* 30

Win

Passovers *

Spr

**April, 30: 1st Passover** Jesus cleanses the temple and talks with Nicodemus

Sum

Fall

31

Herod imprisons John

Jesus talks with Samaritan woman

Win

**Roman Empire**

*Mt 4, 8, 9, 12*
*Mk 1-3*
*Lk 4-6*
*Jn 4-5*

**Great Galilean Ministry**

Early

Jesus settles in Capernaum, tours Galilee, calls disciples to "follow me;" Sabbath controversy

Spr

**April, 31: 2nd Passover**

Jesus chooses Twelve; teaches on true religion in "Sermon on the Mount"

Sum

*Mt 5-7, 8, 9, 11, 12-13*
*Mk 3-7*
*Lk 6-9*
*Jn 6*

Middle

Pharisees confront Jesus with blasphemous accusations; Jesus delivers parables of "Mystery Kingdom"

Fall

32

Herod orders the beheading of John

Win

Jesus commissions the Twelve

Spr

**April, 32: 3rd Passover** 5000 fed; defection over calling himself the "Bread of Life"

*Mt 8, 9-10, 14-18*
*Mk 6-9*
*Lk 9*

Late

Conflict with Pharisees intensifies; Jesus begins to instruct the disciples on his death and resurrection

Sum

Fall

Jesus travels to Jerusalem for the Feast of Booths

*Mt 19-20, 26*
*Mk 10*
*Lk 10-19*
*Jn 7-12*

**Later Judean and Perean Ministries**

33

**Resurrection**

Win

Jesus raises Lazarus from death

*Mt 21-28*
*Mk 11-16*
*Lk 19-24*
*Jn 12-20*

Spr

Sanhedrin delivers Jesus to Pilate, who questions and sends Jesus to Herod; Pilate authorizes crucifixion of Jesus

**April, 33: 4th Passover** Triumphal entry; cleansing of the temple; confrontation with the religious leaders; "Olivet Discourse." Jesus' betrayal, trial, death, burial, resurrection, and ascension.

The resurrected Jesus appears to his disciples over a period of 40 days
*Mt 28, Mk 16, Lk 24, Jn 20-21*

Filled with the Holy Spirit, the Church begins at Pentecost

**Early Church**

Tiberius (14-36) Julio-Claudian Dynasty

Pontius Pilate (Procurator of Judea, 26-36) / Herod Antipas (Tetrarch of Galilee and Perea, 4 BCE to 39 CE) Herodian Dynasty

Gospels: *Matthew, Mark, Luke, John*

*Acts 1-28*

BIBLICAL CHRONOLOGY

* Because only three Passovers are explicitly mentioned in John (2.13, 6.4, 11.55), some hold to a two and one-half year ministry. However, another Passover (the second) can be inferred between Jn 4.35 and 5.1, allowing for this three and one-half year ministry (Hoehner; Thomas/Gundry). * Others use the years 27-30 (cf. Thomas/Gundry).



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