

Wow! You are half-way to finishing the *Bible Challenge*...don't give up now! God's big story was written for you. God is in every word that is written in our Bible and his words teach us truth, correct us, point us toward God's right way, and get us ready to join God in his work! *2 Timothy 3:16-17, Romans 15:4*

Challenge #4 brings us to the New Testament and as we begin reading the first chapter of Matthew, what do we find? A family tree for Jesus! As Matthew begins to tell the story of Jesus, he wants to show us that Jesus is the Savior promised to Abraham and the king promised to David! It is just the way God had said it would happen!

gospel

the **good news** of Jesus and his gift of forgiveness; this is God's big story of love for you

The first **four** books of the New Testament are the books that tell **good news** of Jesus walking and talking on the earth. These are four books, written by four different men.

What are the names of these four books?

Do these books tell us everything Jesus did? John, one of Jesus' best friends and a disciple, wrote something amazing in his book...**check out John 21:25** Wow! Just imagine the number of books in your school library; they are not enough to tell the complete story of Jesus!

These books record what Jesus said and the things he did. Jesus, God with skin-and-bones, left heaven and became a human just like you. Jesus came to put the spotlight on God. Jesus came to bring you a way to live connected heart-to-heart with God. *Philippians 2:6-11, John 17:1-8*

Jesus

fully God
fully human

Jesus was God and Jesus was human.

How do we know? The Bible tells us! Some of the things that Jesus did showed his power and authority over creation; he was God. Other stories of Jesus show us how human he was; he felt and experienced things just like we do.

Take a look at the first puzzle wheel. Each 'spoke' on this wheel is an example of Jesus demonstrating that he is God—mighty in power with authority over creation!

Now, take a look at the second wheel. Read the verses in your Bible to discover that even though Jesus is God, he was also human!

Complete the words in each 'spoke' - what human feelings or experiences did Jesus have?

Lastly, can you match the God power that contrasts his human experience? As God, Jesus had power over each human feeling...yet, he experienced them...just like we do!

