

JOH 20:30 Many other signs therefore Jesus also performed in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book;
JOH 20:31 but these have been written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing you may have life in His name.

JOH 21:24 This is the disciple who bears witness of these things, and wrote these things; and we know that his witness is true.
JOH 21:25 And there are also many other things which Jesus did, which if they were written in detail, I suppose that even the world itself would not contain the books which were written.

> **Synoptic**: ‘syn’ means *together* and ‘optic’ for *to see*

Matthew, Mark, and Luke are known as the *Synoptic* Gospels since they ‘see Jesus’ from the same viewpoint.

John has been identified as a Spiritual Gospel

> **Apologetic** is defending by words or arguments; said or written in defense, or by way of apology; as an apologetic essay.

> **Docetism** means ‘seeming’ or not really real – an illusion.

Introduction to John – Part 2

1. Purpose
2. Authorship
3. Date and Place

4. John in relation to the ‘Synoptic’ Gospels

5. Why John wrote the book?

a. Evangelistic purpose

b. Apologetic purpose

c. Complement the Synoptics

6. History behind Theology and Purpose Statement