Vicki, Kaylee and Sean belong to a Bible club at church. Leaders Lucy and Matt asked the children what part of the Bible they would most like to learn about this year. "Let's do the Gospel of Mark," suggested Vicki's friend Grace. "Then we can learn all about Jesus." "But first we'll find out about

Mark, and why he wrote about Jesus," Lucy told them.







Delbert our dictionary says **Gospel:** good news; truth; first four books of the New Testament.

What does Mark 1:1 say Mark is writing?

Imagine you are writing a book about someone's life.

What would you call it?

Who would you write about?

Running away with no clothes on!

Listen to God!

Mark 14:50-52



This young man is thought to be Mark. Can you imagine being so scared about something that you would run away with no clothes on?

Mark (full name – John Mark) later travelled with Paul and Barnabas as they shared good news about Jesus. But Mark ran away again! (Acts 13:13) The Bible doesn't tell us why. Maybe he was ill or homesick, maybe he thought some of the places they went were too scary and dangerous.

Paul was angry at Mark for running away. But Mark overcame his mistakes and fears and later became Paul's friend and helper, as well as a faithful follower of Jesus.

And Mark was probably the first person to write about Jesus' life. He wrote so that others could know his friend and saviour as he did.



Lord Jesus, we are glad that Mark became your follower and Paul's friend. Thank you that he wrote all about you so that we can know you and follow you too.

Why would you write about that person?