# Counting the verses with BELIEF or UNBELIEF terms

These lists show where terms associated with faith or unbelief are mentioned in the Gospels. *If one or more such term is mentioned in 5% or more of all chapter verses, then that chapter is highlighted in GREEN.* Overall, belief and unbelief are mentioned in John more than in the other three Gospels combined.

## in Matthew

| ch. | (un)belief verses | in Matthew |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | 0 / 25 = 0% | genealogy #1, before Jesus' birth |
| 2 | 0 / 23 = 0% | Jesus born and protected |
| 3 | 0 / 17 = 0% | John's ministry, Jesus baptized |
| 4 | 0 / 25 = 0% | the temptation, Jesus' work begins |
| 5 | 0 / 48 = 0% | Sermon on the Mount |
| 6 | 1 / 34 = 3% | Sermon on the Mount |
| 7 | 0 / 29 = 0% | Sermon on the Mount |
| 8 | 3 / 34 = 9% | leper, servant, mother-in-law healed, discipleship, a storm, demons & swine |
| 9 | 4 / 38 = 11% | miracles, Matthew, on fasting, etc. |
| 10 | 2 / 42 = 0% | the 12 instructed and sent out |
| 11 | 0 / 30 = 0% | on rejection, invitation in 11:28-29 |
| 12 | 0 / 50 = 0% | Sabbath healing, unpardonable sin |
| 13 | 1 / 58 = 2% | eight parables, rejection |
| 14 | 1 / 36 = 3% | John killed, 5,000+ fed, walking on water, etc. |
| 15 | 1 / 39 = 3% | traditions, Gentile helped, 4,000 fed |
| 16 | 1 / 28 = 4% | sign requested, miracles recalled, confession & church, Peter rebuked |
| 17 | 1 / 27 = 4% | transfiguration, miracle & faith, tem. tax |
| 18 | 1 / 35 = 3% | on humility, forgiveness, etc. |
| 19 | 0 / 30 = 0% | on divorce, etc., rich young ruler |
| 20 | 0 / 34 = 0% | on service etc, Bartimaeus |
| 21 | 4 / 46 = 9% | triumphal entry, temple cleansed, fig tree & faith, vineyard, authority, etc. |
| 22 | 0 / 46 = 0% | feast parable, Jesus questioned |
| 23 | 1 / 39 = 3% | on the Pharisees, "O Jerusalem" |
| 24 | 2 / 51 = 4% | on the end times, parables |
| 25 | 0 / 46 = 0% | on the end times, parables |
| 26 | 0 / 75 = 0% | Mary anoints Jesus, Last Supper, arrest, trial, Peter's denials |
| 27 | 3 / 66 = 5% | trial and the cross ✝ |
| 28 | 2 / 20 = 10% | after the resurrection, authority |
| total | 26 of 1071 | = 2.4% |

## in Mark

| ch. | (un)belief verses | in Mark |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | 1 / 45 = 2% | introduction, baptism, disciples, miracles |
| 2 | 1 / 28 = 4% | miracles, conflict, Matthew called |
| 3 | 0 / 35 = 0% | conflict, 12 listed, unpardonable sin |
| 4 | 1 / 41 = 2% | four parables, a storm calmed |
| 5 | 2 / 43 = 5% | demons & swine, Jairus' daughter raised, a woman healed |
| 6 | 1 / 56 = 2% | Nazareth, 12 sent, John killed, 5,000+ fed, walking on water, etc, |
| 7 | 0 / 37 = 0% | traditions, Gentile helped, deaf man |
| 8 | 0 / 38 = 0% | 4,000 fed, sign requested, miracles recalled, blind man healed, confession |
| 9 | 3 / 50 = 6% | transfiguration, miracle & faith, on hell |
| 10 | 2 / 52 = 4% | on divorce, greatness, etc. rich young ruler, Bartimaeus |
| 11 | 4 / 33 = 12% | triumphal entry, temple cleansed, fig tree & faith, Jesus' authority |
| 12 | 0 / 44 = 0% | vineyard parable, Jesus questioned |
| 13 | 1 / 37 = 3% | on the end times, fig tree parable |
| 14 | 0 / 72 = 0% | Mary anoints Jesus, Last Supper, arrest, trial, Peter's denials |
| 15 | 1 / 47 = 2% | trial and the cross ✝ |
| 16 | 5 / 20 = 25% | after the resurrection, the apostles |
| total | 22 of 678 | = 3.2% |

## in Luke

| ch. | (un)belief verses | in Luke |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 / 80 = 3% | introduction, in the temple, prayer, two angelic announcements, John's birth |
| 2 | 0 / 52 = 0% | Jesus' birth (shepherds and angels), two temple scenes, Jesus at age 12 |
| 3 | 0 / 38 = 0% | John, Jesus' baptism, genealogy #2 |
| 4 | 0 / 43 = 0% | temptation, rejection at Nazareth, demons cast out, many healed |
| 5 | 1 / 39 = 3% | great catch, miracles, Matthew, on sin, on fasting |
| 6 | 0 / 49 = 0% | Sabbath work, Sermon on the Plain |
| 7 | 2 / 50 = 4% | a servant healed, a son raised, on John, sin, and love *(two debtors)* |
| 8 | 5 / 56 = 9% | women help, two parables, a storm calmed, demons & swine, Jairus, etc. |
| 9 | 0 / 62 = 0% | 12 sent, 5,000+ fed, faith confessed, transfiguration, a son, Samaria, etc. |
| 10 | 0 / 42 = 0% | 70 instructed, sent, return, lawyer's Q. the good Samaritan, Mary and Martha |
| 11 | 1 / 54 = 2% | on prayer, Jesus' power over demons, parables, the Pharisees and lawyers |
| 12 | 1 / 59 = 2% | against fear and worry, the rich fool, on being a good servant / disciple |
| 13 | 0 / 35 = 0% | on sin, crippled woman, two parables, the narrow gate, "O Jerusalem" |
| 14 | 0 / 35 = 0% | dropsy, parables, on being a disciple |
| 15 | 0 / 32 = 0% | lost sheep, lost coin, lost son |
| 16 | 2 / 31 = 6% | on riches, the rich man & Lazarus |
| 17 | 3 / 37 = 8% | on offense, the 10 lepers, on his return |
| 18 | 3 / 43 = 7% | on prayer, Pharisee & tax collector, the rich young ruler, Bartimaeus |
| 19 | 0 / 48 = 0% | Zacchaeus, minas parable, triumphal entry, temple cleansed |
| 20 | 2 / 47 = 4% | vineyard parable, Jesus questioned |
| 21 | 0 / 38 = 0% | on the end times, fig tree parable |
| 22 | 2 / 71 = 3% | the Last Supper, on greatness, arrest, Peter's denials, trials |
| 23 | 0 / 56 = 0% | trial and the cross ✝ |
| 24 | 3 / 53 = 6% | after the resurrection, Bible explained |
| total | 27 of 1151 | = 2.3% |

## in John

| ch. | (un)belief verses | in John |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | 3 / 51 = 6% | introduction Jesus is THE WORD. |
| 2 | 4 / 25 = 16% | water into wine, temple cleansed |
| 3 | 5 / 36 = 14% | Nicodemus, God's love, etc. |
| 4 | 7 / 54 = 13% | ministry in Samaria, in Galilee, nobleman's son healed |
| 5 | 5 / 47 = 11% | Sabbath miracle, equality with God |
| 6 | 8 / 71 = 11% | 5,000+ fed, walking on water, THE BREAD OF LIFE, rejected by many, Peter's confession of faith |
| 7 | 5 / 53 = 9% | Jesus' brothers, on ch. five miracle, Jesus' Father, living water offered |
| 8 | 5 / 59 = 8% | the adulterous woman, Jesus is THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD. |
| 9 | 4 / 41 = 10% | healing the man born blind |
| 10 | 5 / 42 = 12% | Jesus is THE GOOD SHEPHERD. One with the Father |
| 11 | 8 / 57 = 14% | Lazarus raised, THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE. |
| 12 | 9 / 50 = 18% | anointed by Mary, triumphal entry |
| 13 | 1 / 38 = 3% | the upper room, foot washing, etc. |
| 14 | 5 / 31 = 16% | THE WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE |
| 15 | 0 / 27 = 0% | THE TRUE VINE, about the world, etc. |
| 16 | 4 / 33 = 12% | on the Holy Spirit, prayer, etc. |
| 17 | 3 / 26 = 12% | Jesus' great prayer |
| 18 | 0 / 40 = 0% | arrest, trials, Peter's denials |
| 19 | 1 / 42 = 2% | trial and the cross ✝ |
| 20 | 4 / 31 = 13% | after the resurrection, Thomas |
| 21 | 0 / 25 = 0% | 153 fish caught, Peter questioned |
| total | 86 of 879 | = 9.8% |

Key Point #1:
Many were attracted to Jesus by his miracles. *(Cf. Mk. 1:21-45.)* Yet the Gospels show that believing in him involves acknowledging his deity as well as his ability. *(See Mk. 2:1-12, John 1:1-5, and 5:1-18.)*

Key Point #2:
Jesus challenged weak believers to believe in him more. (See Mk. 9:21-29, 16:14-15, and John 4:46-54.) But he avoided false believers who just wanted to use him. (See John 2:23-25 and 6:15.)