

## PREVIEW 36



In the space below, explain how a belief or an idea is like a seed. What does it need to grow? What things might prevent it from growing?

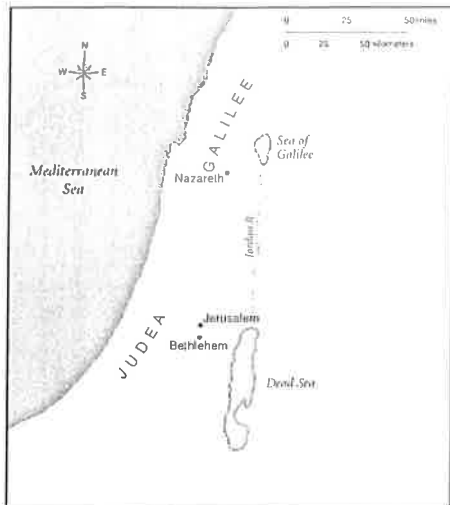
A large, empty rectangular box intended for student writing. On the right side of the box, there is a decorative illustration of a vine with leaves and small flowers, growing upwards and curving at the bottom.



## READING NOTES 36

Read Sections 36.2 and 36.3 in *History Alive! The Ancient World* and take notes below.

### 36.2 Judea: The Birthplace of Christianity



Why was there unrest in Judea after it came under Roman rule?

How did the Roman prefect rule Judea?

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### 36.3 Writings About the Life of Jesus



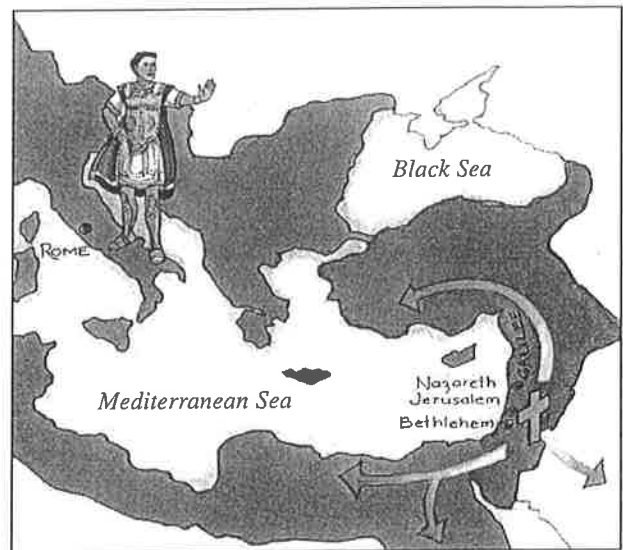
What are the gospels?

Who wrote the gospels, and when did they write them?



For Sections 36.4–36.8, follow these steps:

1. Carefully examine the artwork on pages 243–245 and read the biblical passages your teacher gave you to determine which passage matches each work of art.
2. After your teacher has revealed the correct passage, glue the passage in the appropriate box on pages 243–245.
3. Read that section of the chapter, and answer the related questions.
4. Underline key words and phrases in the passage. Draw lines connecting them to visual details in the artwork.



## 36.4 The Birth of Jesus

According to the gospels, where was Jesus born?



What did Jesus study and learn about as a child?

Why was Jesus' baptism a turning point in his life?



## 36.5 Jesus' Teaching

According to the gospels, what did Jesus say were the most important of all the Jewish laws?



Why did Jesus' teachings upset some people?

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## 36.6 The Crucifixion and Resurrection



According to the gospels, why was Jesus condemned to die on a cross?

Why was belief in Jesus' resurrection so important to his disciples and other followers?



## 36.7 The Missionary Work of Paul



What caused Saul to stop persecuting Christians and become a missionary?

How did Paul's work help spread Christianity?

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## 36.8 Persecution and Triumph



Why were Christians considered a threat to Rome?

How did Rome's persecution of Christians help Christianity grow and spread?



## PROCESSING 36

Follow these steps to analyze your leftover biblical passage:

1. Glue the passage in the box below. Read it carefully, and draw a picture to illustrate it.

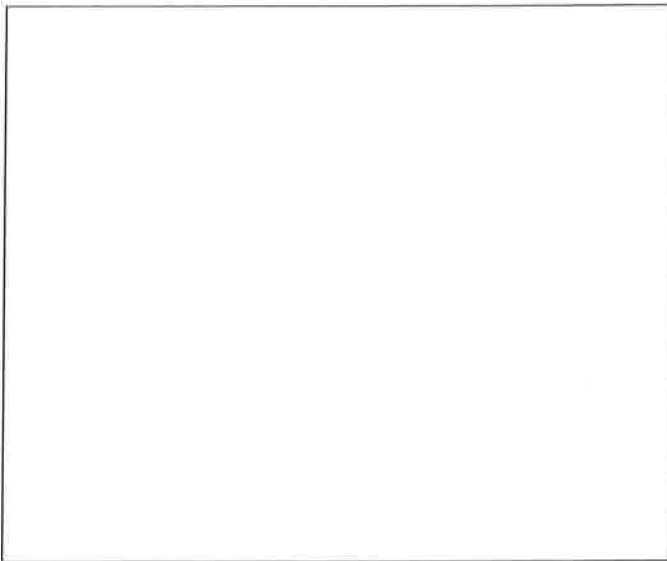


Illustration of This Passage

2. Complete the sentences below to compare what you learned about the growth of Christianity with the growth of a seed. The first sentence has been completed for you.

The small seed is like Jesus' teachings.

The person who planted the seed is like \_\_\_\_\_.

The water that helps the seed to grow is like \_\_\_\_\_.

The large plant that grows from the seed is like \_\_\_\_\_.

The birds that nest in the plant are like \_\_\_\_\_.

3. Now label the parts of your drawing above to show how Christianity began and what helped it to grow and spread. For example, you might label a seed under the ground Jesus' teachings.