

# The Gospel Truth Class Notes

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## SUMMARY STATEMENT

There are a lot of things that are different in these two accounts. But a lot of things that are alike as well. We know it is the same account about the same stormy night—just written by two different people.

*Compare the passages with your class. We have included a script and a brief comparison in the Teacher Guide under Discover the Truth (pages 9–10) to help with that.*