



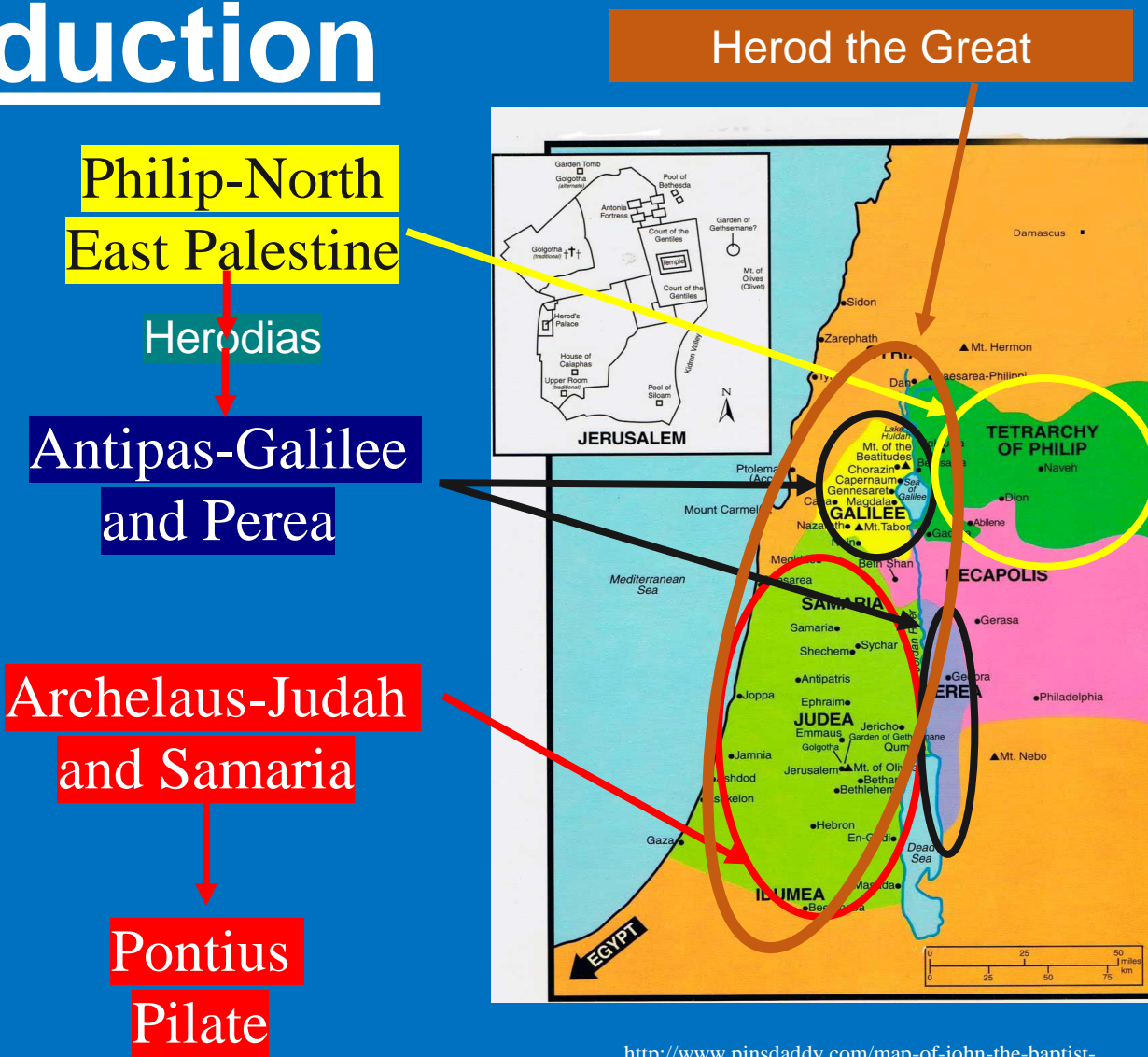
Chapter 25-Jesus, the Son of God

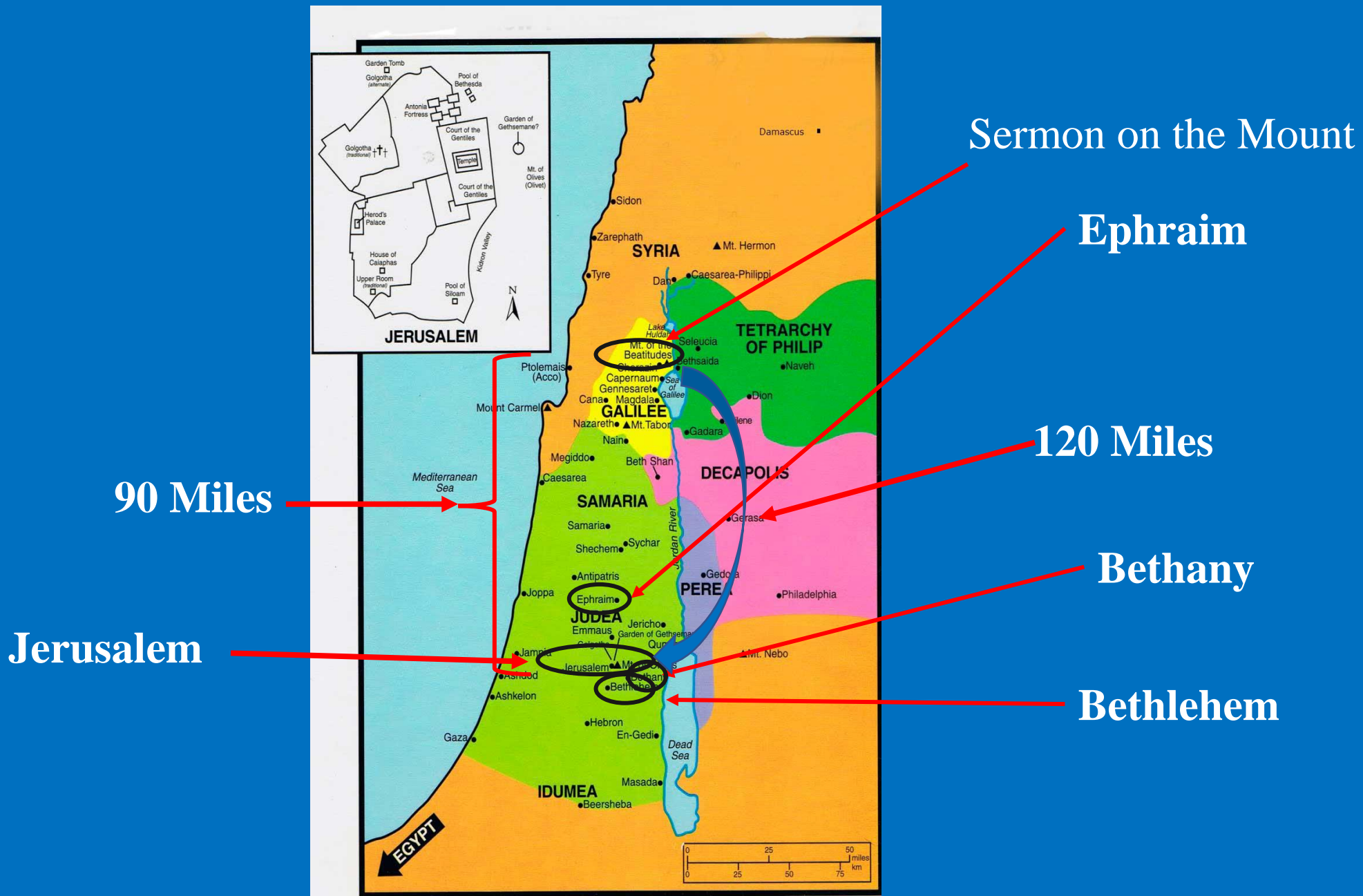
The Gospel of John-Chapter 7

Introduction

Vs. 1-2-The Feast of Tabernacles

- After Jesus had performed the miracle of feeding the five thousand and had proclaimed Himself as “The bread of life,” He remained in Galilee (northern part of Israel).





- The Feast of Booths was approaching, and all the Jews would be journeying down to Judea (Jerusalem) for the celebration.
- The Feast of Booths was also known as the Feast of Tabernacles. The Feast of Booths began on the 15th day of Tishri-TISH-re (the 7th month).



- The first day was to be a day of rest and a holy convocation (gathering). The seventh day was also to be a day of rest and a holy convocation.
- Compare this to the requirements of the Sabbath (Deuteronomy 5:12-15). This is another reason why the Sabbath is not a single day. Today-the Sabbath his Jesus. (Heb. 4:7,9). []



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- The people would make huts of boughs and live in them throughout the week. This act commemorated God's provision for the Israelites when He brought them out of Egypt and cared for them throughout the wilderness experience.

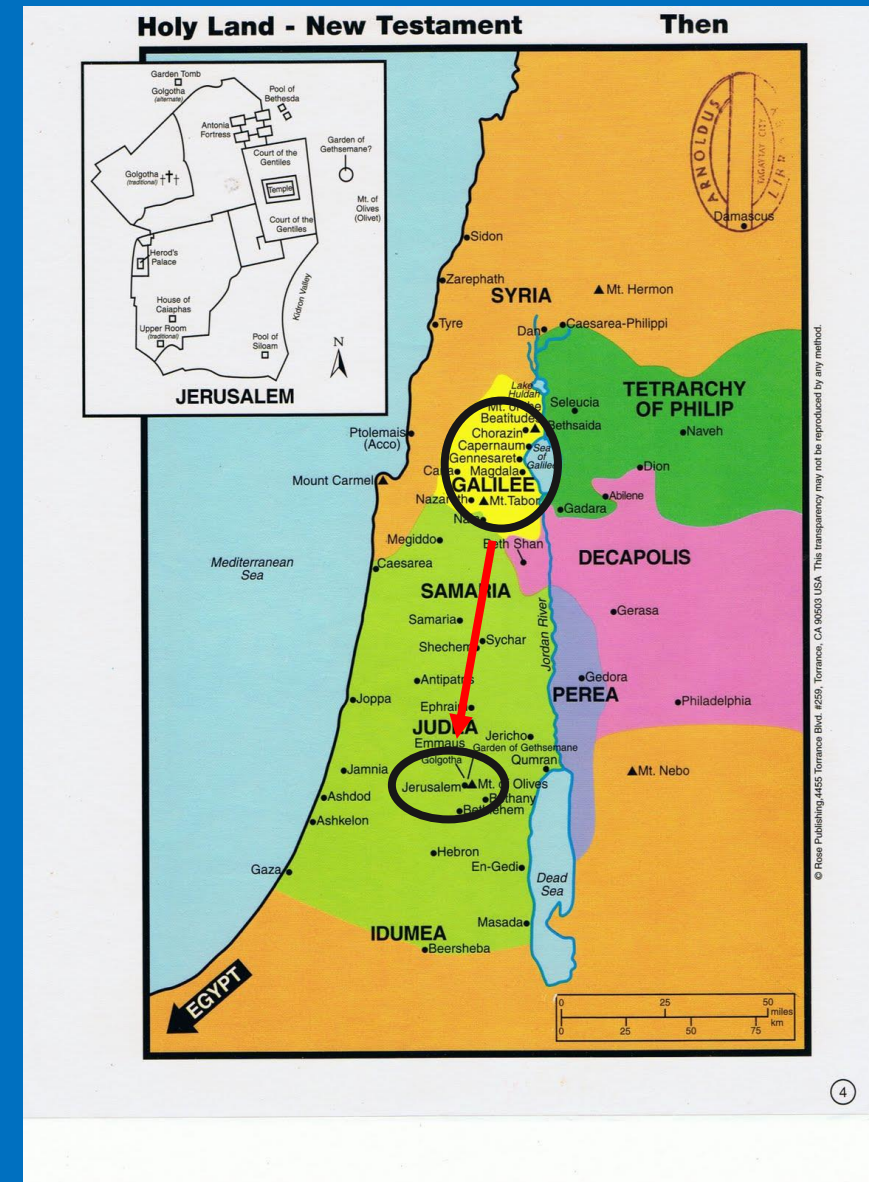


- The Feast of Tabernacles will be celebrated during the Millennium (Zechariah 14:16) []. This feast will be a time for all believers to remember Christ's provisions for them while on earth.

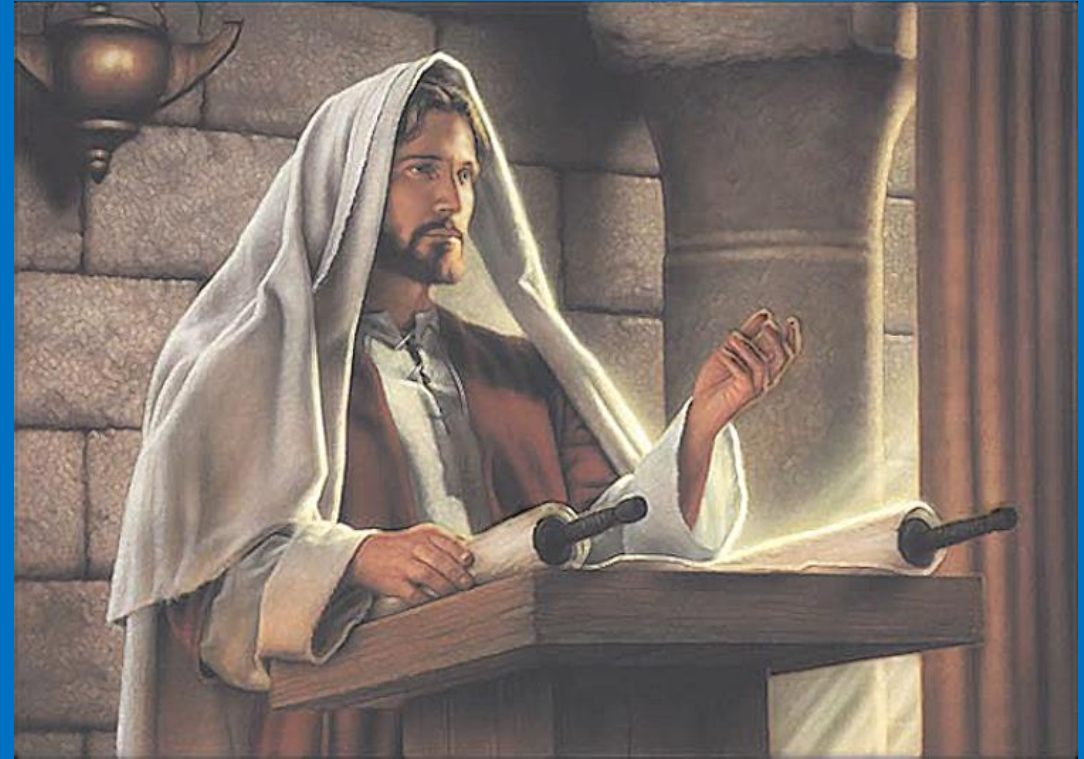


Vs. 3-36-Jesus attends the Feast of Tabernacles

- Jesus was a marked man in Jerusalem. The Jews were seeking to kill Him for the healing of the lame man and for claiming to be God.
- Jesus' brothers (**Matthew 13:55; John 7:5** [*]) did not believe in Him and apparently were trying to trick Jesus into going to Jerusalem.



- During the middle of the feast, Jesus appeared and began to teach in the temple.
- Vs. 30 states that the Jews could not harm Jesus since, “His time had not yet come.” (This phrase was similar to what Jesus said to Mary at the wedding). Jesus was very much in control of the situation.
- The unbelieving Jews would not enter the Kingdom of God because of their unbelief.



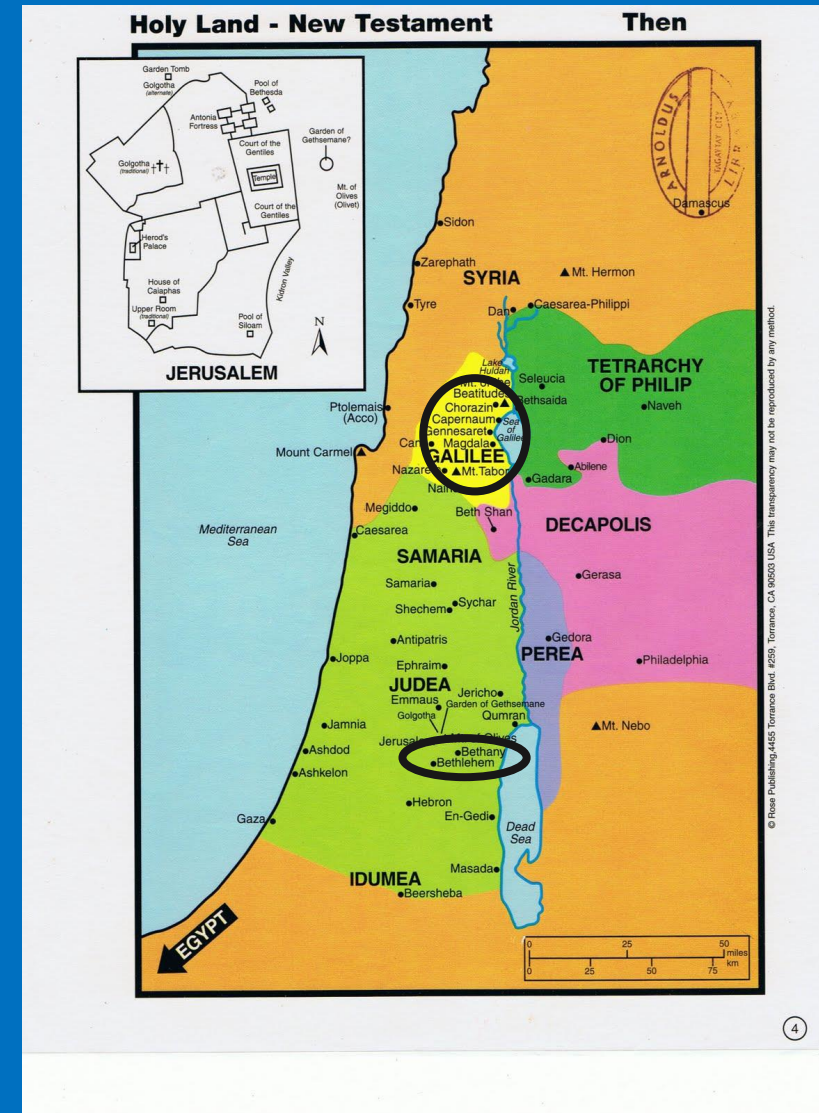
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Vs. 37-53-The last day of the Festival

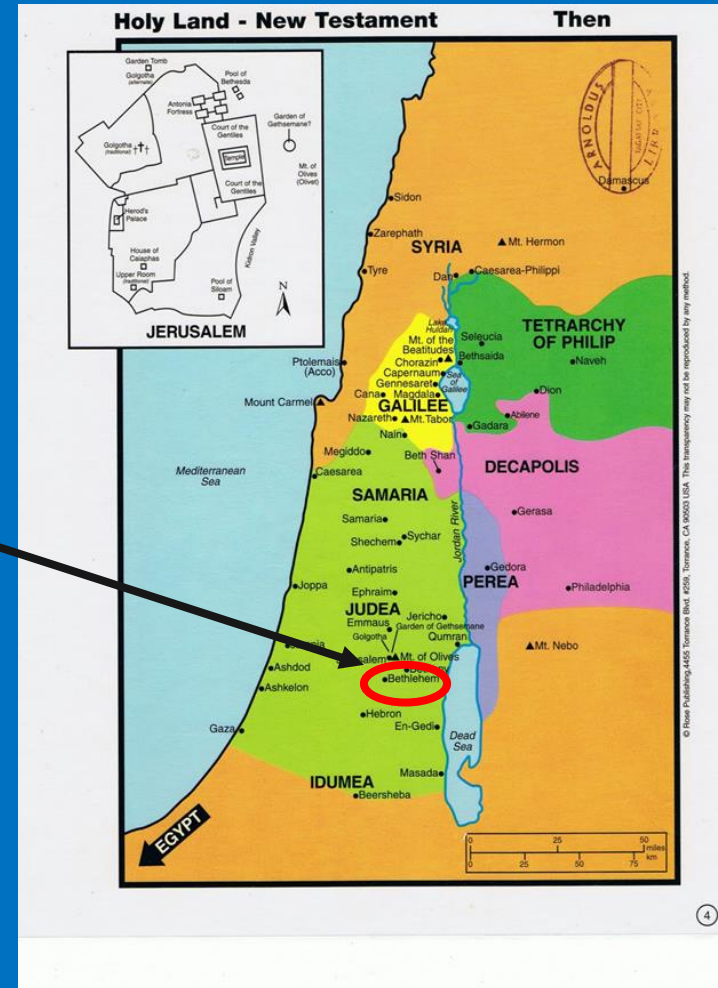
- The last day of the Feast of Tabernacles (Booths) was to be a time of rest and a holy gathering. It was this day that Jesus stood up and cried out, saying, “If anyone is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink.” []
- Jesus was referring to the Holy Spirit that is given to all who believe in Christ.



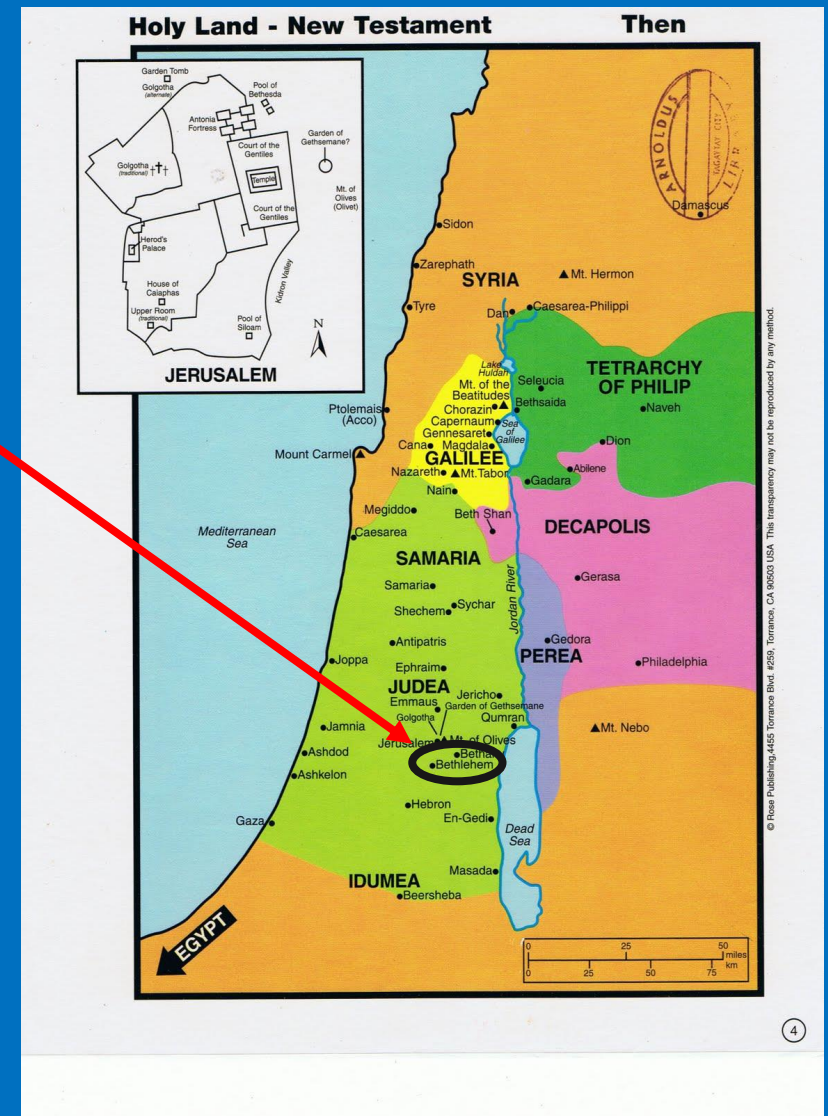
- The Holy Spirit would not be given until after Jesus had risen from the dead and had ascended into Heaven. The indwelling of the Holy Spirit within believers began on the day of Pentecost (Acts 2).
- The Jewish leaders did not believe that Jesus could be the Messiah since He came from Galilee and not from Bethlehem (John 7:40-42; 52; Micah 5:2). []



- The Jews did not do their research since Bethlehem, not Galilee, was exactly where Jesus was born.



- Bethlehem was also the birthplace of King David. Bethlehem (Ephrathah-[EPH-ra-tha] see map) indicates the fertility of the area. Bethlehem means, “House of Bread” and Ephrathah means, “fruitful.”
- Not only did Jesus claim to be the Bread of Life when He fed the five thousand but even the place of His birth revealed that He was the Bread of Life.



John Chapter 8

- Vs. 1-11-A woman caught in adultery
- The Pharisees had brought a woman who had been caught in the act of adultery (Lev. 20:10; Deuteronomy 22:22-26b) Both man and woman were to be stoned. []
- According to their interpretation, she was to be stoned. However, their *traditions* did not call for stoning.



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- Dwight Pentecost states that Jesus, "...Had reminded them (John 7:19, 22-23) that the Mosaic law did permit certain works on the Sabbath which the Pharisees denied in their traditions. The Pharisees were incensed that Jesus should put their traditions in opposition of the law; therefore, when the occasion to support their views presented itself through the discovery of this woman in sin, they brought her to Him. They hoped to show that the law was so harsh it must be reinterpreted and that their reinterpretation in their traditions was therefore valid. John specifically stated that the Pharisees were not concerned with righteousness of justice.

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- They hoped to trap Christ into saying that the law was too harsh to be accepted as written and must be reinterpreted. ...They failed in their attempt to make Him acknowledge that the Mosaic Law was too stringent to be observed and to approve the Pharisaic traditional interpretation of that law.” (283)

Vs. 12-20-Jesus the Light of the World

- Jesus claimed to be the Light of the world. Jesus had, the previous day, claimed to be the Water of Life, now He was claiming to be the light of the world. This gave evidence that Jew and Gentile would be allowed into the Kingdom of God.



Pentecost states, “There were two most significant features in the observance of the Feast of Tabernacles. The first was to light the golden lampstand so that the court might be illuminated during the evening hours of the week of Tabernacles. The second was to proceed to the Pool of Siloam to draw water to pour out around the altar. The lighting of the lamps signified Israel’s need for light for which God was the only true source. Pouring out the water was a confession of sin and an acknowledgment of the need of cleansing.

Thus Tabernacles (Feast of Tabernacles) not only looked backward to God's past provision for His people's need but also looked forward to the coming of Messiah, who would provide illumination and cleansing. In declaring Himself to be the Water of Life and the Light of the World, Christ was claiming to be Messiah, who fulfilled all that was anticipated in the Feast of Tabernacles." (285)

Vs. 21-59-Jesus' Characteristics

- Jesus stated in vs. 32, “You will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” Jesus was telling the Pharisees that because of their unbelief, they were not followers of God.



<https://lifeandheartmatters.com/2016/04/12/in-jesus-words-questions-and-answers-matthew-192-12/>

- Vs. 57-59 is very significant in that Jesus openly admitted that He was God. The phrase, “I am,” was God’s personal name Jehovah. God used this name in Exodus 3:13-14 when addressing Moses. The fact that Jesus used this phrase, He was declaring Himself to be God. The Pharisees tried to stone Jesus, but Jesus left their presence. []

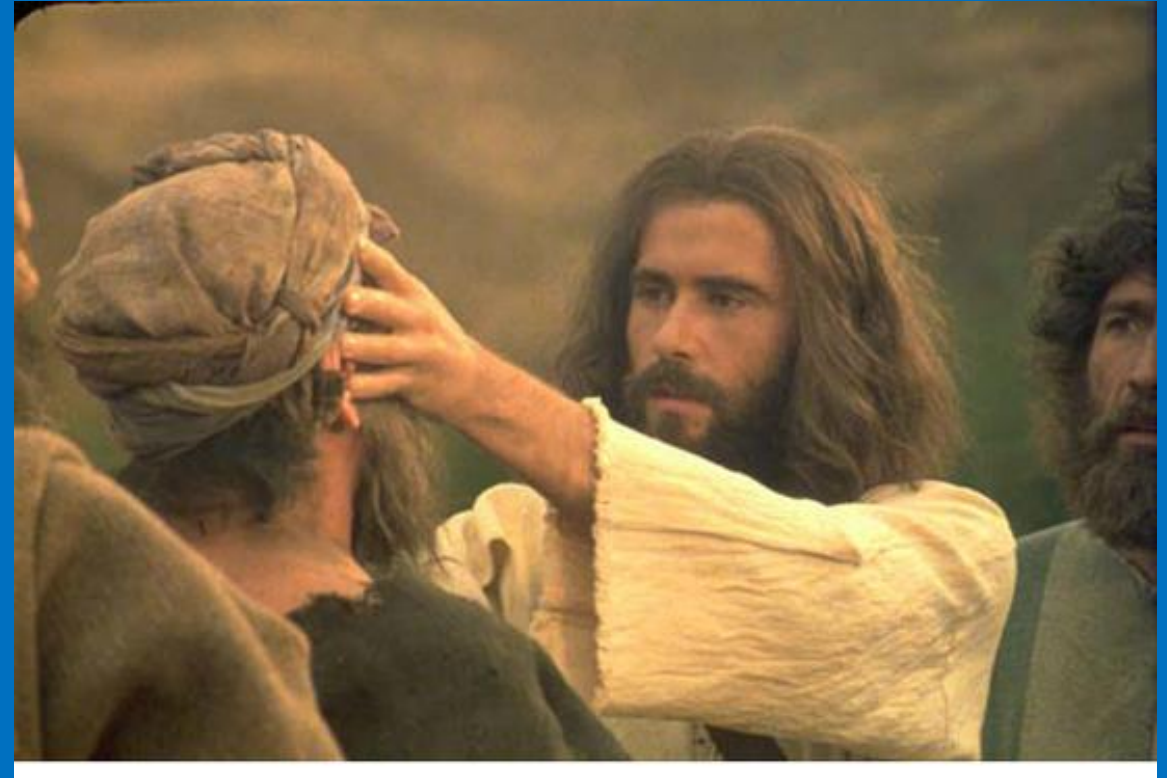


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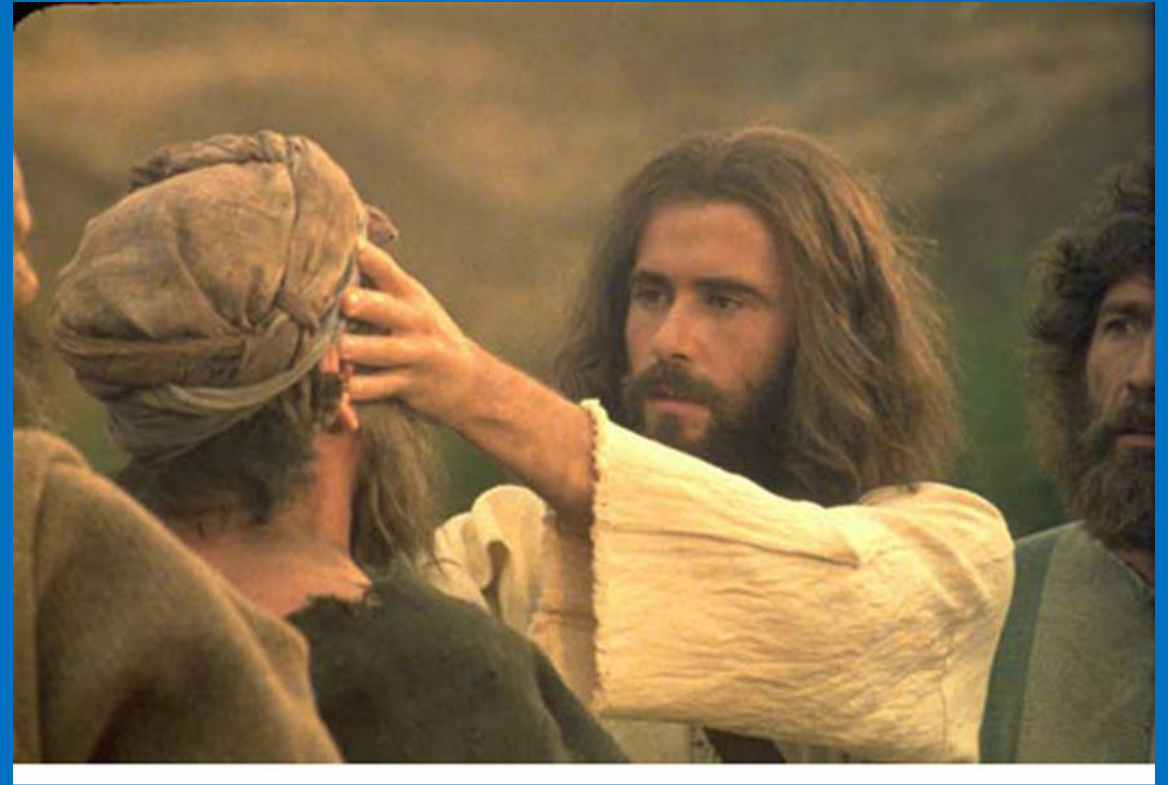
Vs. 1-41-Jesus Heals a Blind Man

- Jesus healed a blind man. It is interesting to note that he was told to wash in the pool of Siloam [sa-LO-um].
- This was the very pool where the Jews were to draw water to pour around the altar during the Feast of Booths. This act demonstrated the need for the cleansing of sins.



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- When Jesus gave sight to the blind man, He was trying to show the people that he was the true Light of the world. It was because of these miracles that John referred to them as “signs.”



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- It is important to read vs. 35-38. The blind man believed that Jesus was the Messiah, the Savior of the world. []



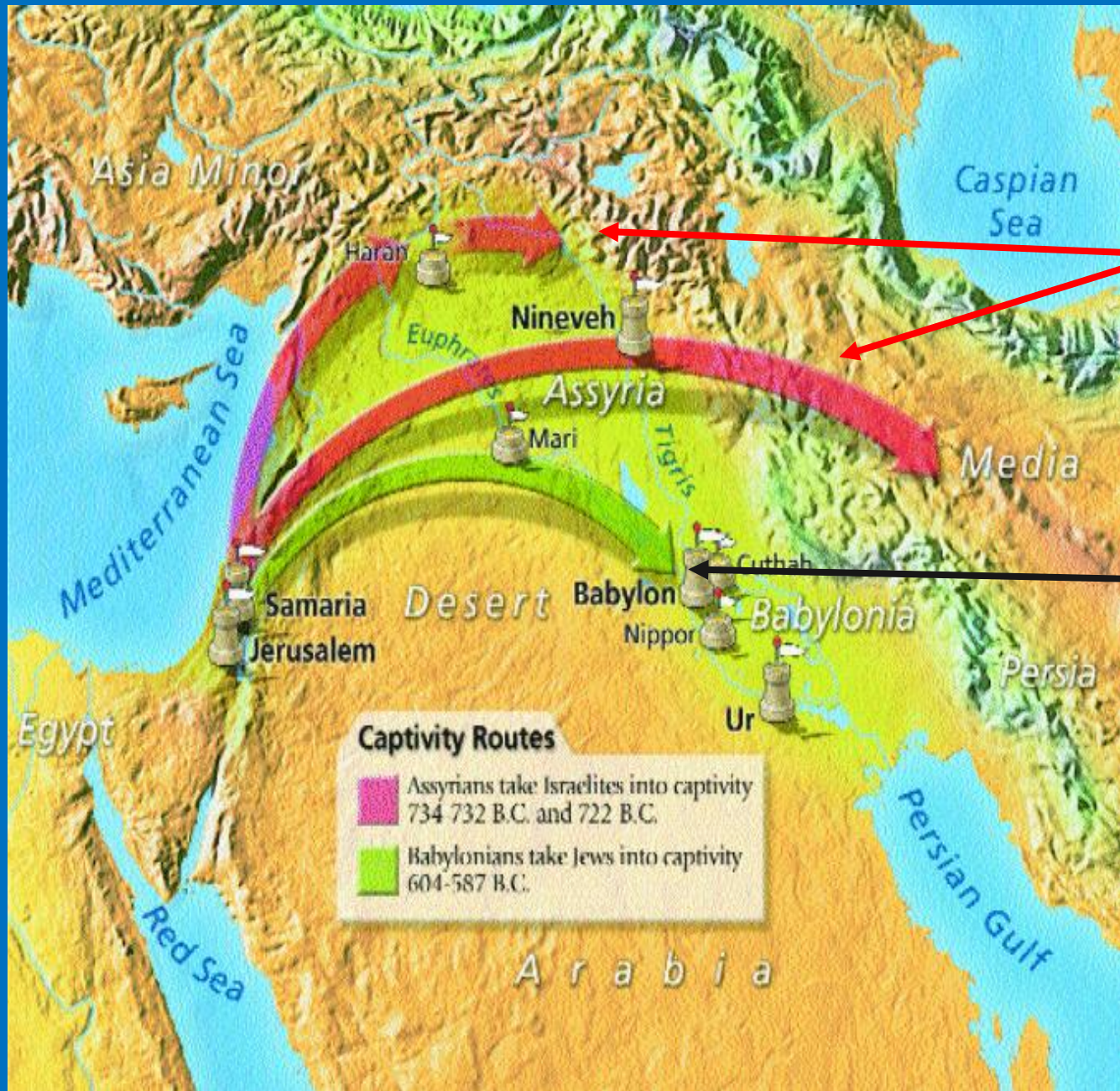
Chapter 10

Vs. 1-21-The Good Shepherd

- The Jews were very familiar with the concept of the shepherd and the sheep as they applied to God and Israel.
 - Jeremiah and Ezekiel compared the evil rulers of Israel to that of wicked shepherds before the Babylonian captivity.



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Assyrian Captivity-
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- Jeremiah 50:6- “My people have been lost sheep; their shepherds have led them astray and caused them to roam on the mountains.”
- Jeremiah 23:1-2- “Woe to the shepherds who are destroying and scattering the sheep of my pasture!”



- Ezekiel 34:1-10- “...Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds of Israel; prophesy and say to them: ‘This is what the Sovereign Lord says: Woe to the shepherds of Israel who only take care of **themselves!** Should not shepherds take care of the flock?’”



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- **Ezekiel** 34:11-16- "...I myself will search for my sheep and look after them. As a shepherd looks after his scattered flock when he is with them, so will I look after my sheep. ...I will bring them out from the nations and gather them from the countries, and I will bring them into their own land..."



- Christ showed that He was the true Shepherd. He was the true Shepherd because of the way He had come to the fold as recorded in the Old Testament.
 - Pentecost states, “The Scriptures had revealed where Messiah would be born (Micah 5:2 [*]), when He would be born (Daniel 9:24-27 []), the circumstances of His birth (Isaiah 7:14 []),
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- the ministry which the true Shepherd would perform (Isaiah 61:1-2 []), miracles which He would perform to authenticate Himself (Isaiah 35:5-6 []), and the way in which He would be presented to the nation through a forerunner (Malachi 3:1 [])" (294).



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- In this discourse, Christ was comparing Himself with the false attitudes and teachings of the Pharisees.
- Vs. 14 is important in understanding why some did not believe in Jesus and others did. Those who were of the fold recognized His voice and responded. []



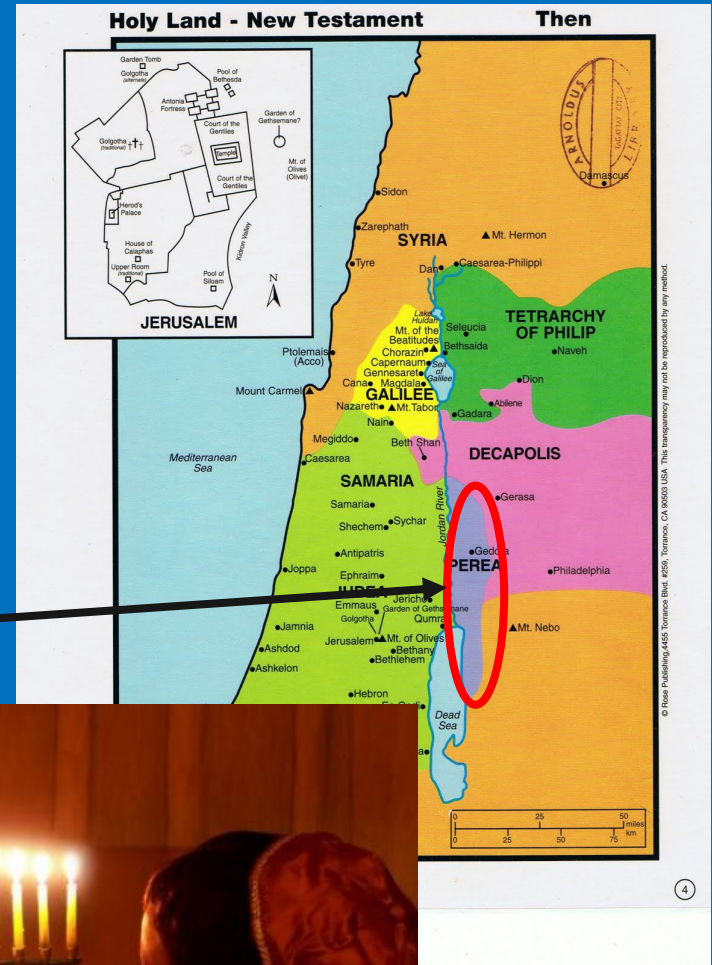
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- Vs. 16 was an indication that salvation would be extended to the Gentiles. The Jews and Gentiles would be one in Christ. []



Vs. 22-39-The Feast of Lights

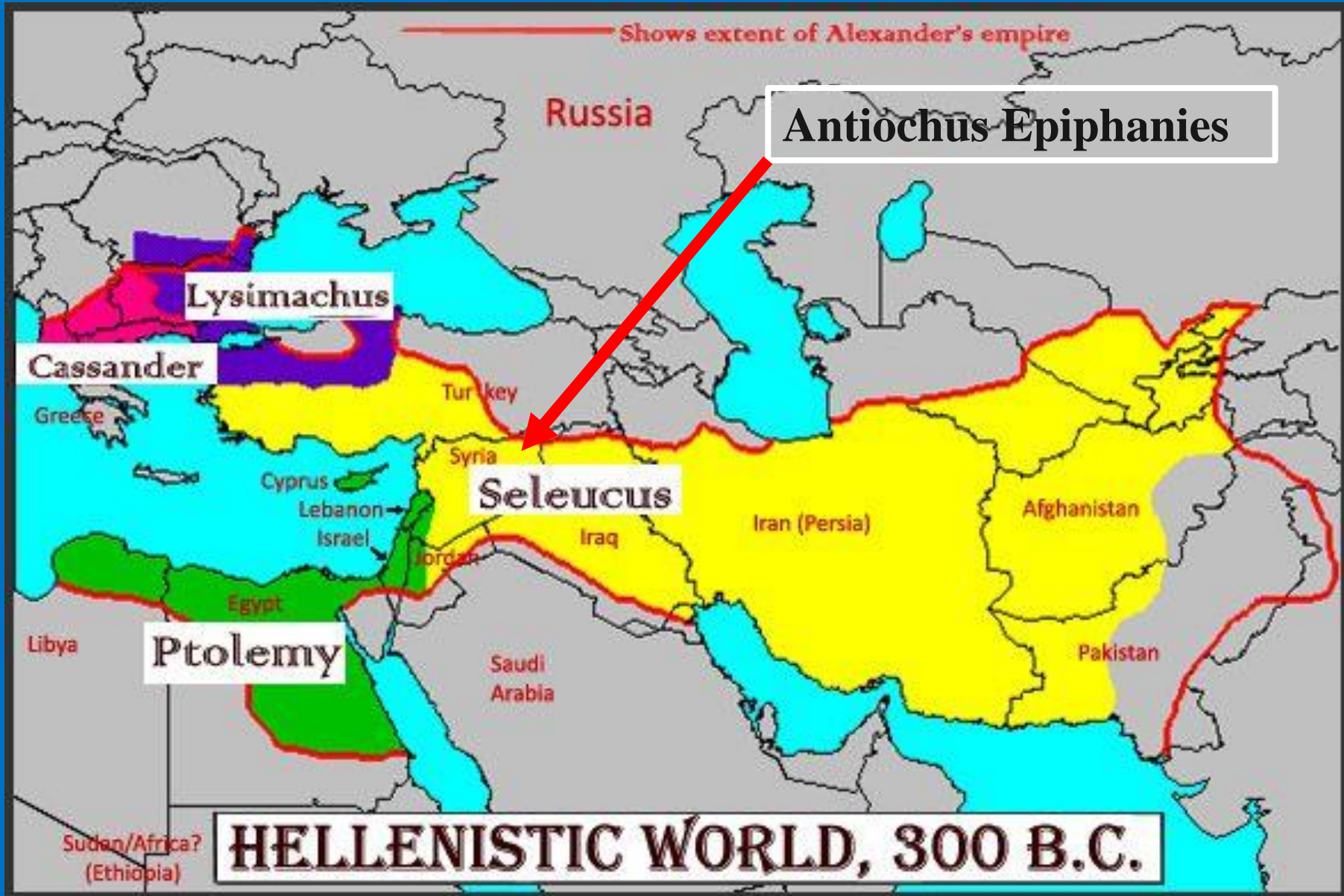
- Three months after the Feast of Booths (7:2), Jesus had been ministering throughout Perea (east of the Jordan River) after which He attended the Feast of Dedication.



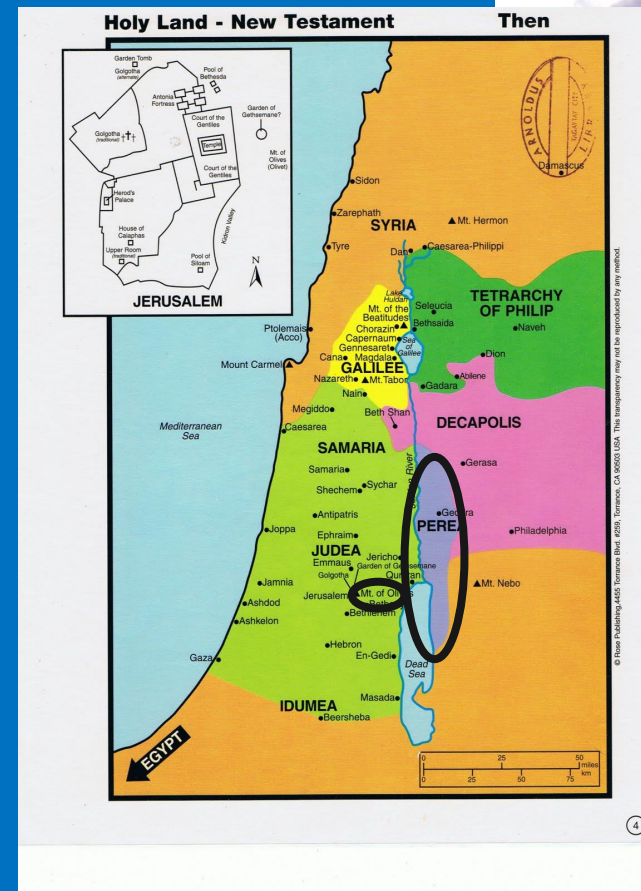
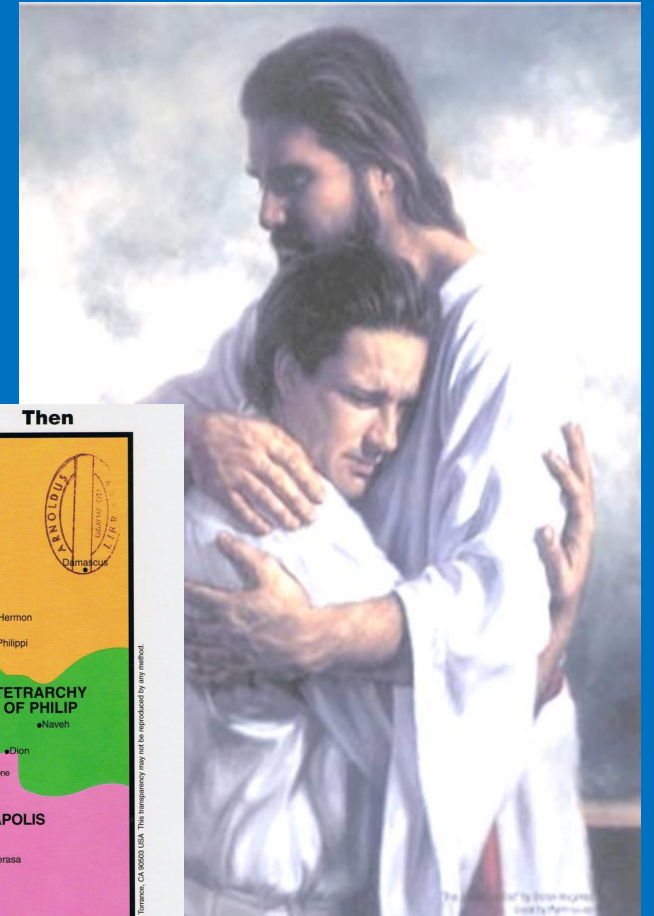
- This feast was sometimes referred to as the Feast of Lights, or Hanukkah. This date falls near the winter solstice, Dec. 22. (KIS-luv) Judas Maccabeus instituted this feast in 165 B.C. in commemoration of the cleansing and reopening of the Temple. This occurred after the Syrian ruler Antiochus Epiphanes had desecrated the temple in 168 B.C. (Ryrie).



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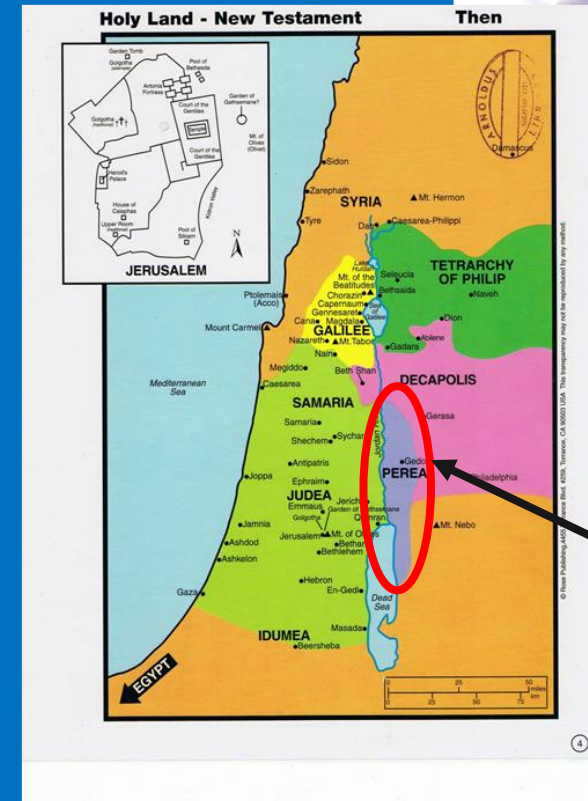
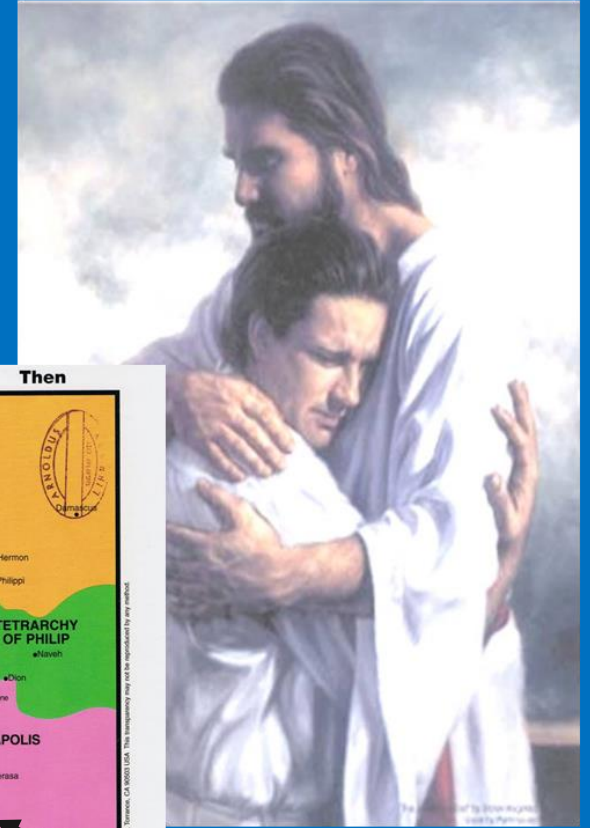


- Vs. 26-27 is a restatement why some rejected Christ's word and others did not ["But you do not believe because you are not of My sheep].
- Vs. 28-29 is a powerful statement affirming eternal security (one can never lose their salvation). []



- Vs. 30 is another indication that Jesus and the Father are one (two of the three parts of the Trinity). []
 - Because Jesus declared Himself to be one with the Father, the Jews picked up stones to stone Him (Leviticus 24:13-16 []).
- Vs. 39 indicates that Jesus eluded their grasp. His time had not yet come to die. Jesus left to go back into Perea for another 3 months.

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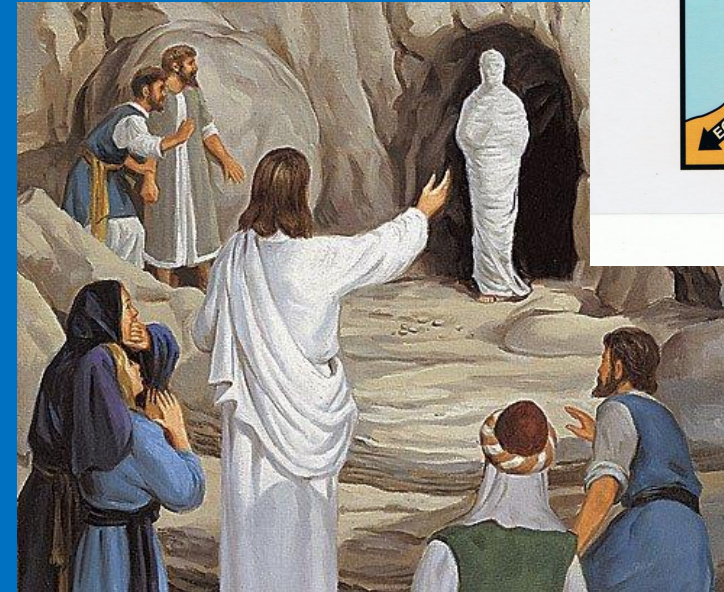
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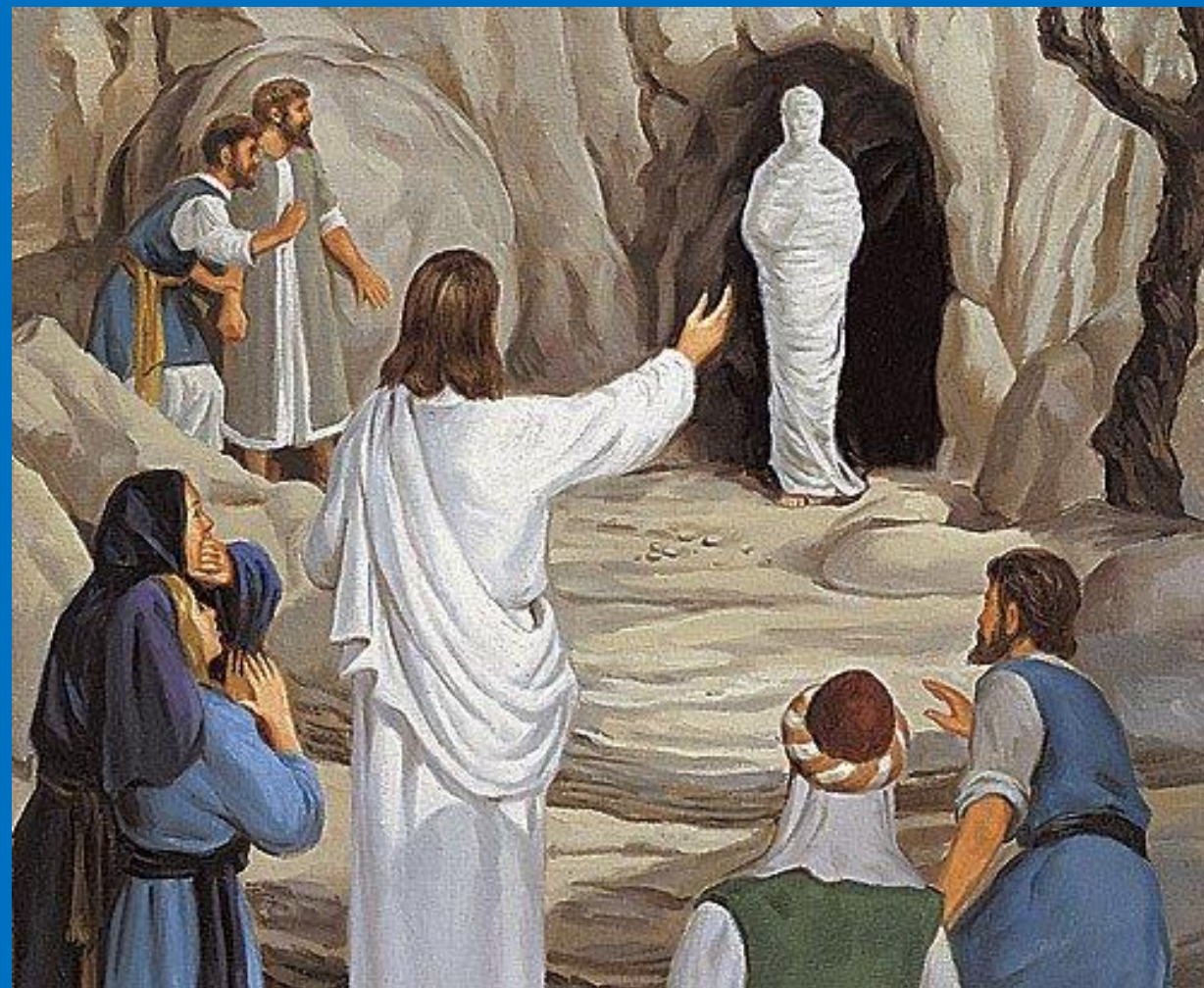
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Vs. 1-44- The raising of Lazarus from the Dead

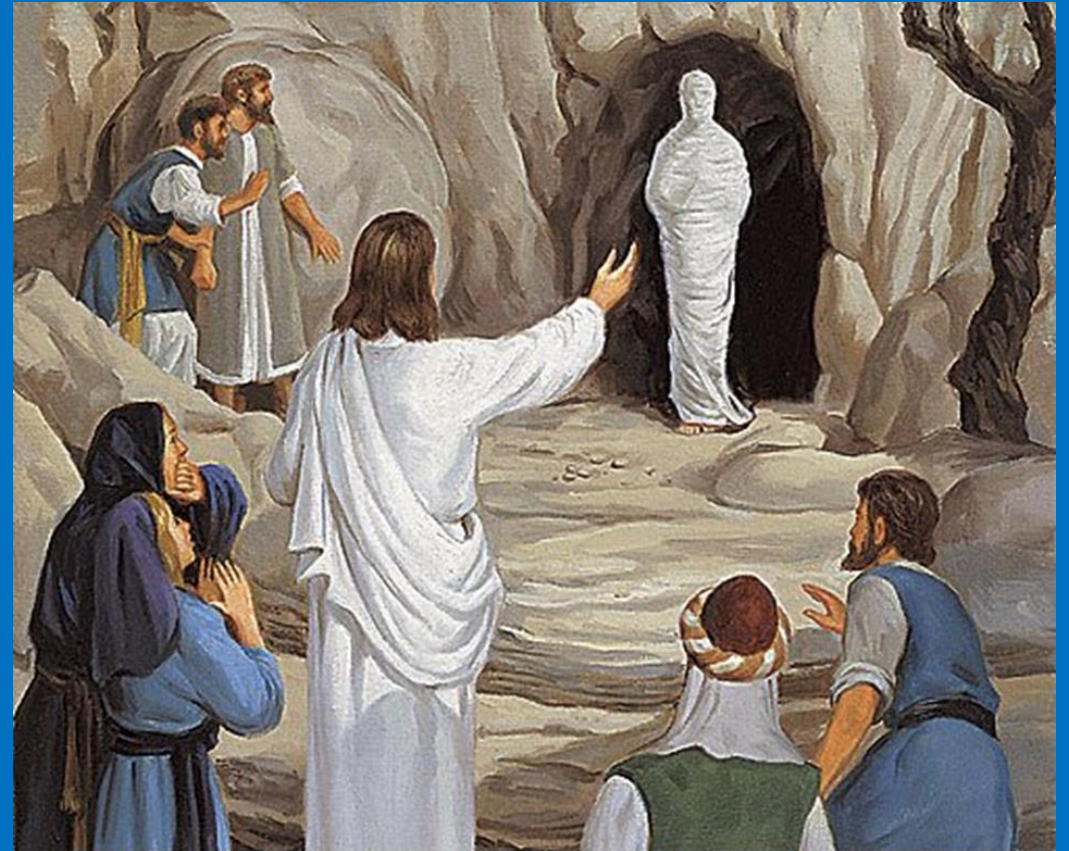
- Bethany was a town just outside of Jerusalem. Lazarus had apparently been a very influential man considering the amount of people at his home. Jesus had deliberately delayed so that Lazarus would die. Jesus' intent was to perform a miracle so that He would be glorified, and the people would believe that He was the Messiah.



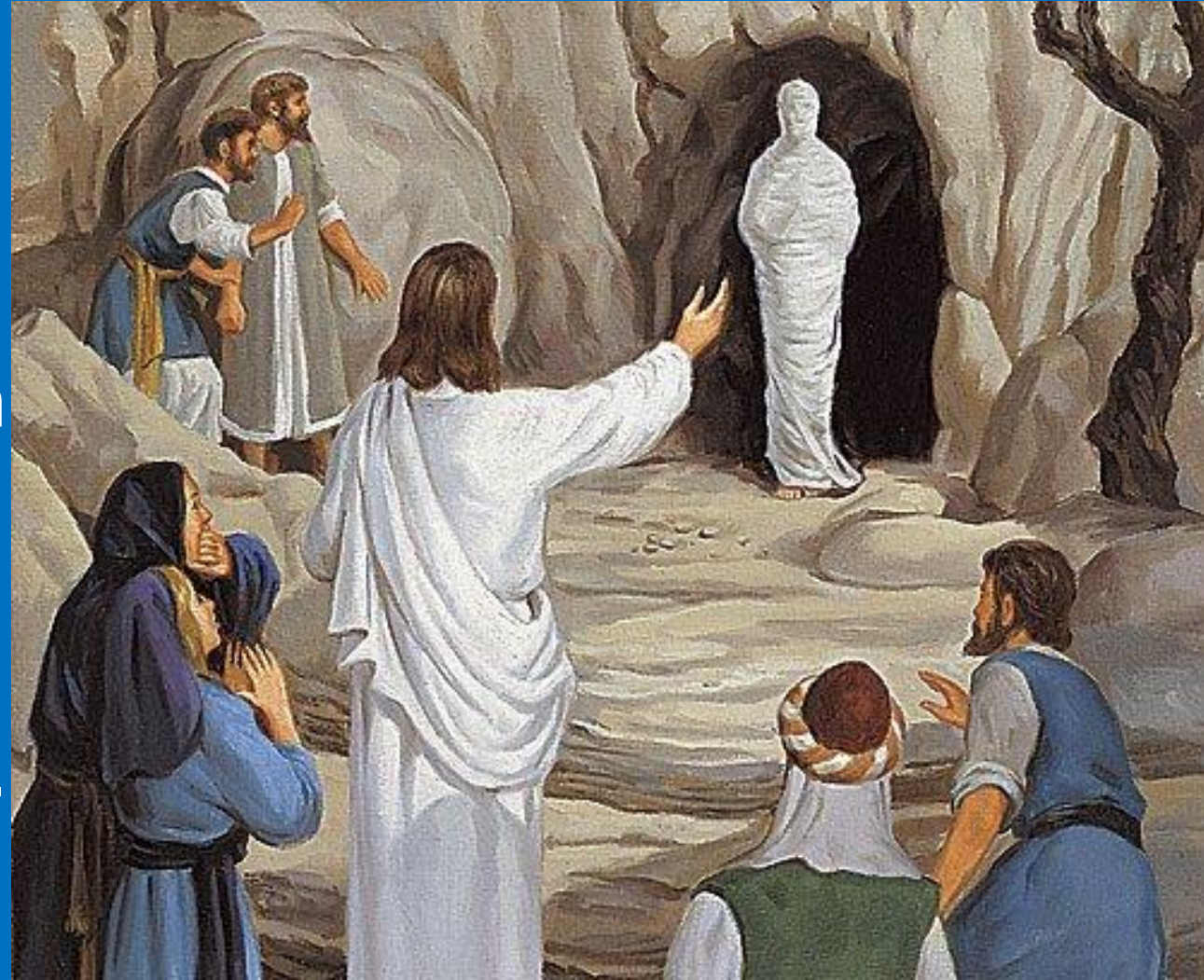
- Vs. 11 indicates that Lazarus had fallen asleep. Though the disciples thought that Lazarus was sleeping, Jesus meant that Lazarus had died but would be resurrected (1 Thessalonians 4:14-asleep means the body not the spirit). []
- Vs. 8 indicates the disciples were surprised that Jesus was willing to go back to the Jerusalem area since the Jews had tried to stone Him three months prior.



- Vs. 16 gives us an interesting insight into Thomas' character []. Thomas encouraged his fellow disciples to go to Jerusalem with Jesus and be martyred with Him.

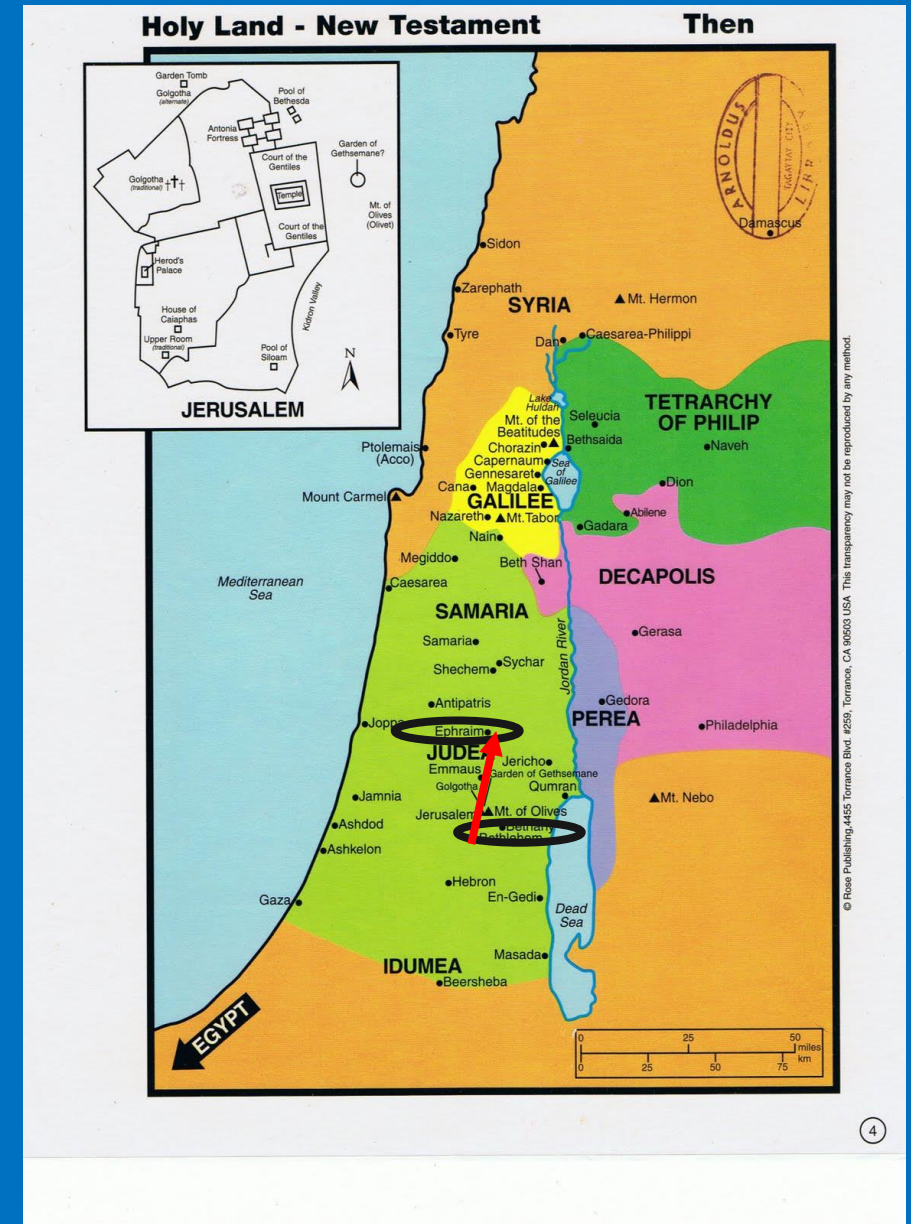


- Jesus states in Vs. 25-26 that He is the resurrection and the life. If anyone believes in Him, they will never die. Jesus was referring to spiritual death. While the body dies, it will be resurrected at the rapture.
- The raising of Lazarus (vs. 43-44) must have been an astonishing miracle considering how tightly he must have been bound.



Vs. 45-48-Many followers of Jesus

- The Pharisees showed their true motivation toward Jesus in vs. 47-48 []. Since so many people believed in Jesus, the Jews were afraid that the Romans would destroy the Temple and the Jewish nation since such a following would appear to be an act of treason against the Roman Empire.

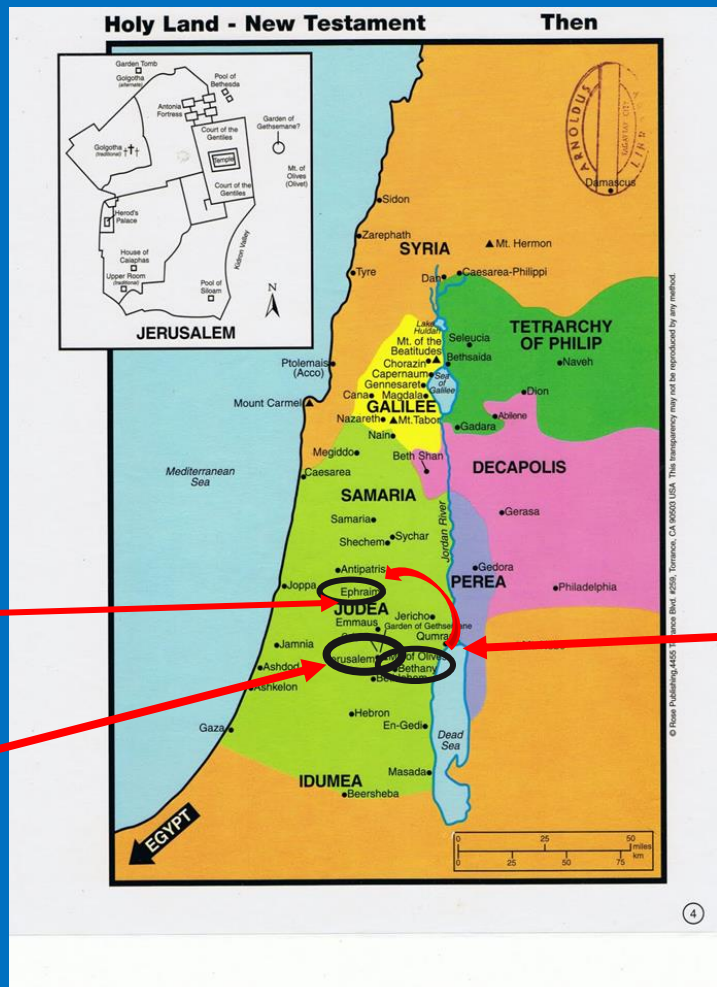


- Jesus left Bethany and went to the wilderness into a city called Ephraim. Ephraim was about 10 miles northeast of Jerusalem .

Ephraim

Jerusalem

Bethany



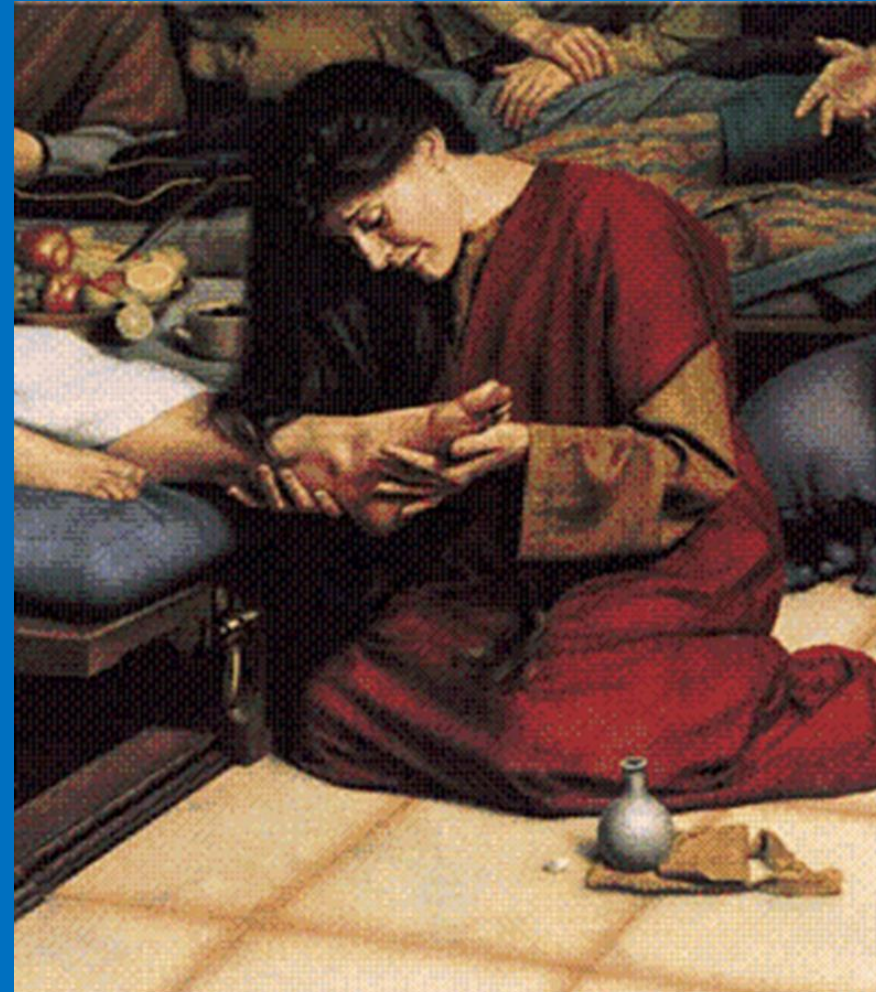
Chapter 12

Vs. 1-8-Jesus' Anointing

- Six days before the Jewish Passover, Jesus came back to Bethany and stayed with Lazarus, Mary and Martha. Mary took a costly perfume and anointed the feet of Jesus.
- Though Mary was probably not aware of the significance, her act signified the burial of Jesus.



- Because of the miracle of Lazarus, the Jews were also planning to put him to death (vs. 10).



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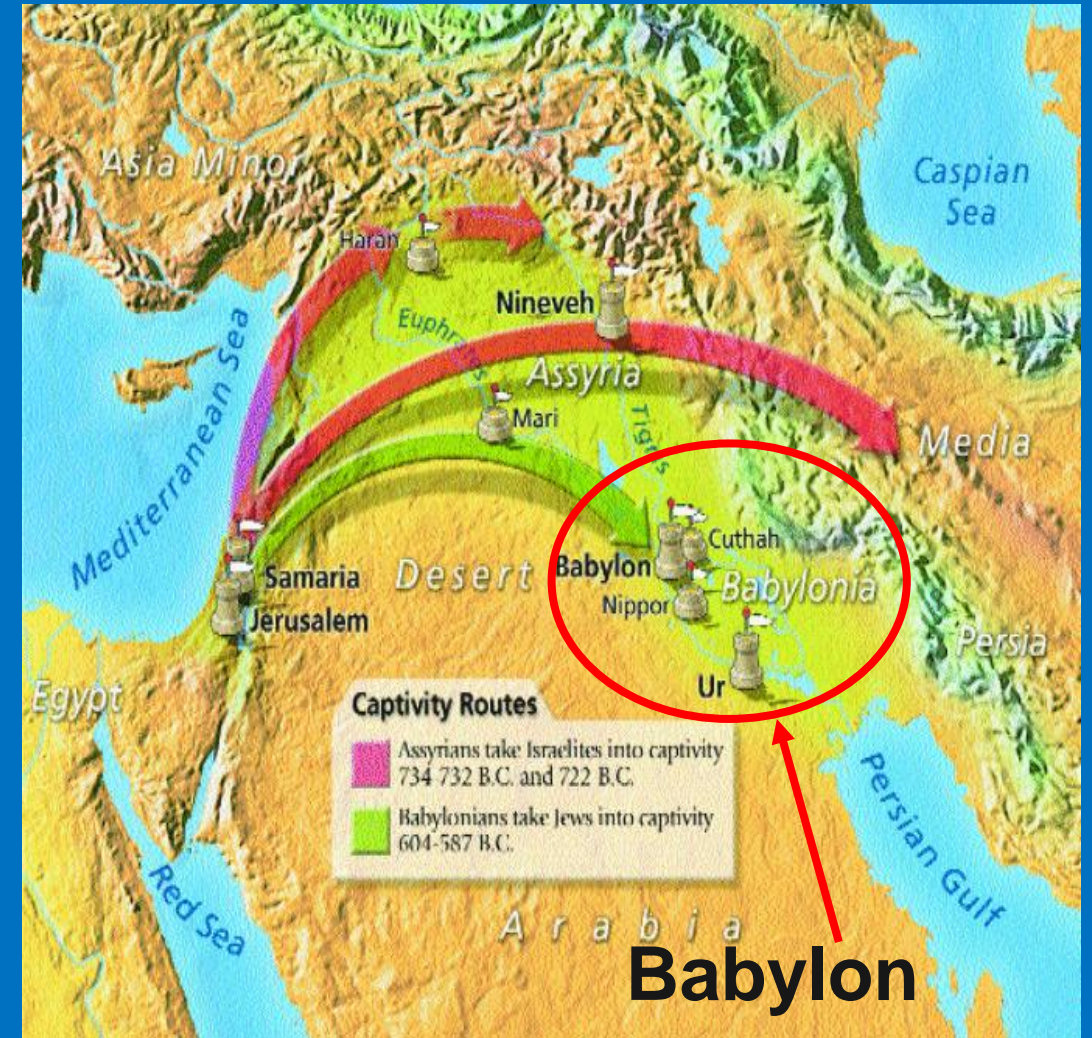
Vs. 12-19-The Triumphal entry

- This is one of the most amazing fulfillments of Old Testament Prophecy. To understand the significance, read Luke 9:51; 19:41-42. []



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- To further understand the fulfillment of this prophecy it is necessary to read Daniel 9:24-27 []. When Daniel made this prophecy, King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon had already captured the people of Israel. The date was 538 B.C., 67 years after Daniel had been taken from Palestine.



- Daniel predicted that a decree would be given for the Israelites to return to their homeland and rebuild Jerusalem. This was fulfilled in 445 B.C. when Artaxerxes Longimanus [LON-ga-men-us] issued a decree for Jerusalem to be rebuilt.



- Daniel prophesied that there would be 69 weeks and the Messiah would be killed. Jewish culture had weeks of days (7 days); weeks of weeks (7 weeks); weeks of months (7 months); and weeks of years (7 years). This prophecy referred to weeks of years. There would be 69 weeks of years or 483 years before the Messiah would be killed. Artaxerxes gave the edict to rebuild Jerusalem on March 5, 444 B.C.



- The Passion week, Christ's entry into Jerusalem, was on March 30, 33 A.D. Daniel's 69 weeks of years would equal **173,880** days. This was the exact day that Christ entered Jerusalem on the Donkey [Walvoord 226-228].



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- Therefore, Jesus states in Luke, “...If you had known in this day, even you, the things which make for peace! But now they have been hidden from your eyes.” Jesus knew the exact time of Daniel’s prophecy. As a result, He would not allow the Jews to take and kill him before this specific date.



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Summary

- When one comes to faith in Jesus Christ, He opens their heart to see the truths of God's Word. The **Water of Life**, the **Bread of Life**, and the **Light of the world** is free to all who accept Jesus as their Savior and Lord.
- God's word can be trusted down to the smallest detail. Christ did not come to the earth without significant meaning. Christ's words are true and faithful. As we grow in the Lord and study His word, the Holy Spirit will begin to guide our thoughts and actions. Our faith in Christ will grow as we see the fulfillment of Christ's words in our life.

Zechariah 14:16

16 Then it will come about that any who are left of all the nations that went against Jerusalem will go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to celebrate the Feast of Booths. []

John 7:40-42; 52

40 *Some* of the people therefore, when they heard these words, were saying, "This certainly is the Prophet." 41 Others were saying, "This is the Christ." Still others were saying, "Surely the Christ is not going to come from Galilee, is He? 42 Has not the Scripture said that the Christ comes from the descendants of David, and from Bethlehem, the village where David was?" 52 They answered him, "You are not also from Galilee, are you? Search, and see that no prophet arises out of Galilee."

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Micah 5:2

2 "But as for you, Bethlehem Ephrathah [EPH-ra-tha],
Too little to be among the clans of Judah, From you One
will go forth for Me to be ruler in Israel. His goings forth are
from long ago, From the days of eternity.“ []

John 8:57-59

57 So the Jews said to Him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have You seen Abraham?" 58 Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was born, I am." 59 Therefore they picked up stones to throw at Him, but Jesus hid Himself and went out of the temple.

Exodus 3:13-14

13 Then Moses said to God, "Behold, I am going to the sons of Israel, and I will say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you.' Now they may say to me, 'What is His name?' What shall I say to them?" 14 God said to Moses, "Related to the name of God, YHWH, rendered LORD, which is derived from the verb HAYAH, to be I AM WHO I AM"; and He said, "Thus you shall say to the sons of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" []

John 9:35-38

35 Jesus heard that they had put him out, and finding him, He said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" 36 He answered, "Who is He, Lord, that I may believe in Him?" 37 Jesus said to him, "You have both seen Him, and He is the one who is talking with you." 38 And he said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped Him. []

John 10:14

4 I am the good shepherd, and I know My own and My own
know Me... []

John 10:16

16 I have other sheep, which are not of this fold; I must bring them also, and they will hear My voice; and they will become one flock *with* one shepherd. []

John 10:26-30

26 But you do not believe because you are not of My sheep. 27 My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me; 28 and I give eternal life to them, and they will never perish; and no one will snatch them out of My hand. 29 My Father, who has given *them* to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch *them* out of the Father's hand. 30 I and the Father are one." []

1st Thessalonians 4:14

14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who have fallen asleep in Jesus. []

John 11:47-48

47 Therefore the chief priests and the Pharisees convened a council, and were saying, "What are we doing? For this man is performing many signs. 48 If we let Him *go on* like this, all men will believe in Him, and the Romans will come and take away both our place and our nation." []

Luke 9:51

51 When the days were approaching for His ascension, He was determined to go to Jerusalem...

Luke 19:41-42

41 When He approached *Jerusalem*, He saw the city and wept over it, 42 saying, "If you had known in this day, even you, the things which make for peace! But now they have been hidden from your eyes. []

Daniel 9:24-27

24 "Seventy weeks have been decreed for your people and your holy city, to finish the transgression, to make an end of sin, to make atonement for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy and to anoint the most holy *place*. 25 So you are to know and discern *that* from the issuing of a decree to restore and rebuild Jerusalem until Messiah the Prince *there will be seven weeks and sixty-two weeks*; it will be built again, with plaza and moat, even in times of distress. 26 Then after the sixty-two weeks the Messiah will be cut off and have nothing, and the people of the prince who is to come will destroy the city and the sanctuary. And its end *will come* with a flood; even to the end there will be war; desolations are determined. [Over---]

27 And he will make a firm covenant with the many for one week, but in the middle of the week he will put a stop to sacrifice and grain offering; and on the wing of abominations *will come* one who makes desolate, even until a complete destruction, one that is decreed, is poured out on the one who makes desolate.“ []

John 8:3-5

3 The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman caught in adultery, and having set her in the center *of the court*, 4 they said to Him, "Teacher, this woman has been caught in adultery, in the very act. 5 Now in the Law Moses commanded us to stone such women; what then do You say?" []

Leviticus 20:10

10 'If *there is* a man who commits adultery with another man's wife, one who commits adultery with his friend's wife, the adulterer and the adulteress shall surely be put to death.

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Deuteronomy 22:22-26b

22 "If a man is found lying with a married woman, then both of them shall die, the man who lay with the woman, and the woman; thus you shall purge the evil from Israel. 23 "If there is a girl who is a virgin engaged to a man, and *another* man finds her in the city and lies with her, 24 then you shall bring them both out to the gate of that city and you shall stone them to death; the girl, because she did not cry out in the city, and the man, because he has violated his neighbor's wife. Thus you shall purge the evil from among you. 25 "But if in the field the man finds the girl who is engaged, and the man forces her and lies with her, then only the man who lies with her shall die. 26 But you shall do nothing to the girl; there is no sin in the girl worthy of death... []

John 10:28-29

29 My Father, who has given *them* to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch *them* out of the Father's hand. 30 I and the Father are one." []

Matthew 13:55

55 Is this not the carpenter's son? Is His mother not called Mary, and His brothers, James, Joseph, Simon, and Judas?

*James wrote the book of James and Judas (Jude) wrote the book of Jude.

John 7:5

5 For neither did his brethren believe in him.[]

Micah 5:2

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Daniel 9:24-27

24 ...Messiah the Prince, there will be seven weeks and sixty-two weeks; it will be built again, with streets and moat, even in times of distress. 26 Then after the sixty-two weeks, the Messiah will be cut off and have nothing and the people of the prince who is to come will destroy the city and the sanctuary. []

Isaiah 7:14

14 Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and she will name Him Immanuel. []

Isaiah 61:1-2

1 The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, Because the Lord anointed me To bring good news to the humble; He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, To proclaim release to captives And freedom to prisoners; 2 To proclaim the favorable year of the Lor..." []

Isaiah 35:5-6

5 Then the eyes of those who are blind will be opened,
And the ears of those who are deaf will be unstopped. 6
Then those who limp will leap like a deer, And the tongue
of those who cannot speak will shout for joy. For waters
will burst forth in the wilderness, And streams in the
desert. []

Malachi 3:1

1 “Behold, I am sending My messenger, and he will clear a way before Me. And the Lord, whom you are seeking, will suddenly come to His temple; and the messenger of the covenant, in whom you delight, behold, He is coming,” says the Lord of armies. []

Leviticus 24:13-16

13 Then the Lord spoke to Moses, saying, 14 “Bring the one who has cursed outside the camp, and have all who heard him lay their hands on his head; then have all the congregation stone him. 15 You shall also speak to the sons of Israel, saying, ‘If anyone curses his God, then he will bear the responsibility for his sin. 16 Moreover, the one who blasphemes the name of the Lord must be put to death; all the congregation shall certainly stone him. The stranger as well as the native, when he blasphemes the Name, shall be put to death. []

John 11:16

16 Therefore Thomas, who was called Didymus, said to his fellow disciples, “Let’s also go, so that we may die with Him!” []

Deuteronomy 5:12-15

12 'Keep the Sabbath day to treat it as holy, as the Lord your God commanded you...15 And you shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the Lord your God brought you out of there by a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the Lord your God commanded you to celebrate the Sabbath day.

Hebrews 4:7,9

7 He again fixes a certain day, "Today," saying through David after so long a time just as has been said before, "Today if you hear His voice, Do not harden your hearts." 9 So there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God.

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Matthew 12:8

8 For the Son of Man is Lord of the Sabbath.”

Jesus quoted this after disciples picked grain in the grain fields. Jesus was going to be the new Sabbath-our eternal rest, deliverer from the bondage of sin (Egypt). []