- <sup>30</sup> And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book:
- But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ (Messiah), the Son of God; and that believing you might have life through his name.

<sup>1</sup>On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. <sup>2</sup> Now both Jesus and His disciples were invited to the wedding. <sup>3</sup> And when they ran out of wine, the mother of Jesus said to Him, "They have no wine." <sup>4</sup> Jesus said to her, "<u>Woman</u>, what does your concern have to do with Me? My hour has not yet come."

- "Woman" was a respectful term, not how we use it today. This exact word is used in one other place in scripture. Where?

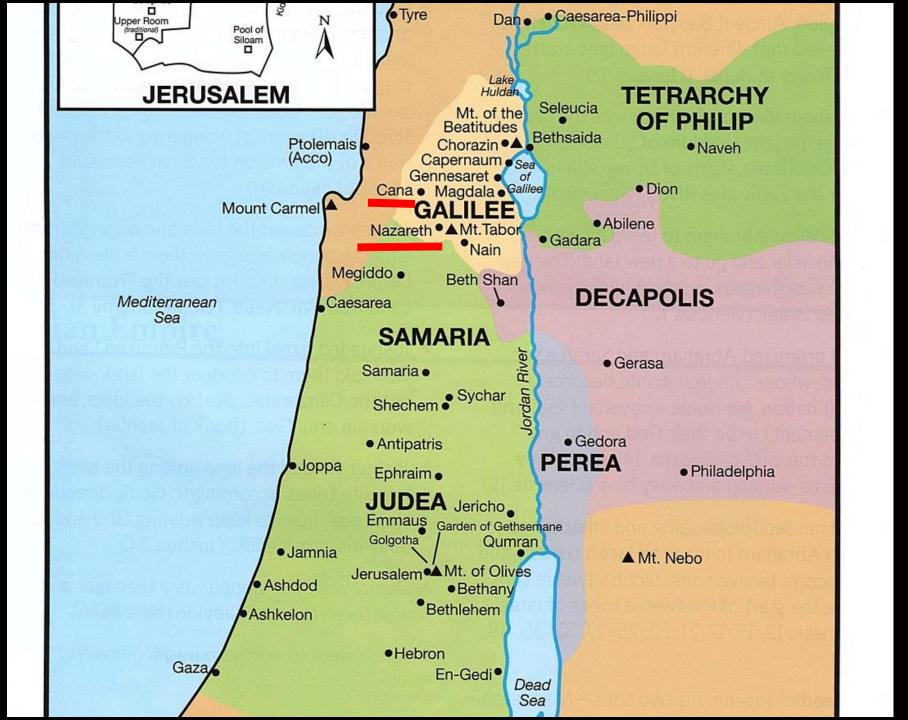
#### - On the cross

### John 19:

Now there stood by the cross of Jesus His mother, and His mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. <sup>26</sup> When Jesus therefore saw His mother, and the disciple whom He loved standing by, He said to His mother, "Woman, behold your son!" <sup>27</sup> Then He said to the disciple, "Behold your mother!" And from that hour that disciple took her to his own home.

<sup>1</sup>On the third day there was a wedding in <u>Cana</u> of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. <sup>2</sup> Now both Jesus and His disciples were invited to the wedding.

- Cana was close to Nazareth. Mary and Jesus probably knew who was getting married.



And when they ran out of wine, the mother of Jesus said to Him, "They have no wine." \*Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does your concern have to do with Me? My hour has not yet come."

- We really don't know exactly what Mary was asking of her eldest son from four words unless the response of Jesus gives us a hint.

- Perhaps Mary was just asking Jesus to help them acquire more wine.
- Perhaps Mary was asking Jesus to manifest himself as the Messiah now that he had come out of obscurity, was starting his ministry, and was accumulating disciples
- Perhaps Mary wanted to clear her own name and shame

#### John 8:

<sup>41</sup> You do the deeds of your father." Then they said to Him, "We were not born of fornication; we have one Father—God."

<sup>4</sup> Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does your concern have to do with Me? My hour has not yet come."

- Perhaps Jesus was just saying I need to be about my Fathers business now
- He would clear her name when his hour was to come, just not now (i.e. his death and resurrection)
- Jesus was careful not to have a premature movement to declare himself as the Messiah, not until the day he rode into Jerusalem on a donkey.

#### Zachariah 9:

"Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your King is coming to you; He *is* just and having salvation, Lowly and riding on a donkey, A colt, the foal of a donkey.

#### Luke 19:

<sup>32</sup> So those who were sent went their way and found it just as He had said to them. <sup>33</sup> But as they were loosing the colt, the owners of it said to them, "Why are you loosing the colt?" 34 And they said, "The Lord has need of him." 35 Then they brought him to Jesus. And they threw their own clothes on the colt, and they set Jesus on him. <sup>36</sup> And as He went, *many* spread their clothes on the road. <sup>37</sup> Then, as He was now drawing near the descent of the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works they had seen, 38 saying: "'Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the LORD!' Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" 39 And some of the Pharisees called to Him from the crowd, "Teacher, rebuke Your disciples." 40 But He answered and said to them, "I tell you that if these should keep silent, the stones would immediately cry out."

<sup>5</sup> His mother said to the servants, "Whatever He says to you, do it."

- These are the last recorded words of Mary
- I don't think she had any idea what Jesus was about to do, but she knew her son and that he would help

<sup>6</sup> Now there were set there six water pots of stone, according to the manner of purification of the Jews, containing twenty or thirty gallons apiece. <sup>7</sup> Jesus said to them, "Fill the water pots with water." And they filled them up to the brim. 8 And He said to them, "Draw some out now, and take it to the master of the feast." And they took it. 9 When the master of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and did not know where it came from (but the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom. 10 And he said to him, "Every man at the beginning sets out the good wine, and when the *quests* have well drunk (intoxicated), then the inferior. You have kept the good wine until now!"

<sup>11</sup> This beginning of signs (KJV: miracles) Jesus did in Cana of Galilee, and manifested His glory; and His disciples believed in Him.

- Beginning of signs: Power over the elements
- Manifested His glory: Mankind was starting to see the power and nature of God.

John 17: <sup>5</sup> And now, O Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was.

 His disciples believed in Him: The miraculous ministry of Jesus had begun

<sup>12</sup> After this He went down to <u>Capernaum</u>, He, His <u>mother</u>, His <u>brothers</u>, and His <u>disciples</u>; and they did not stay there many days.

- Capernaum became the ministry home base for Jesus
- Jesus had half brothers and sisters that came after he was born

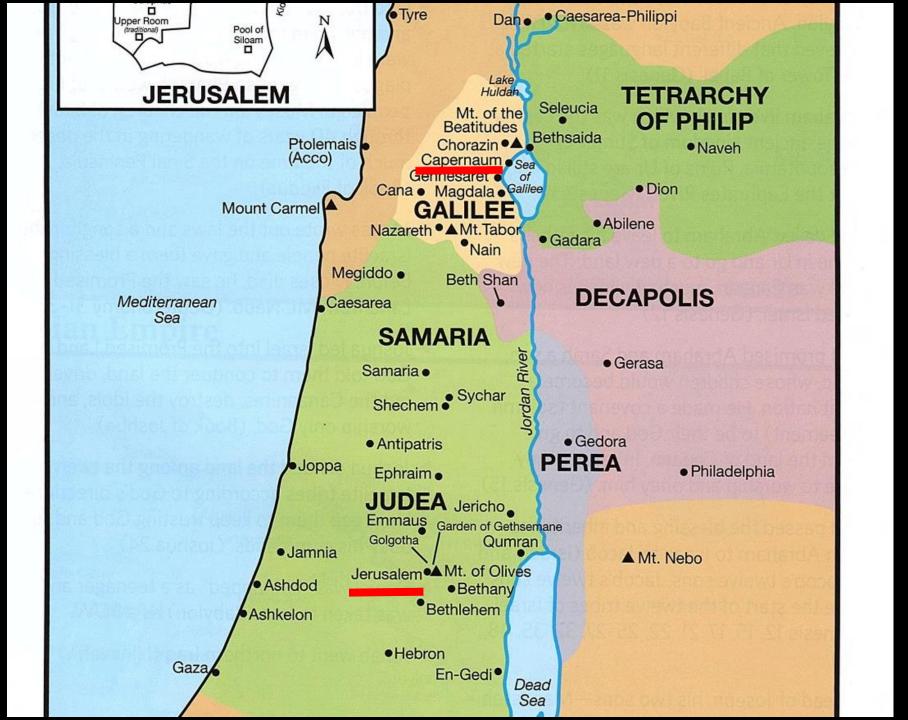
#### Matthew 13:

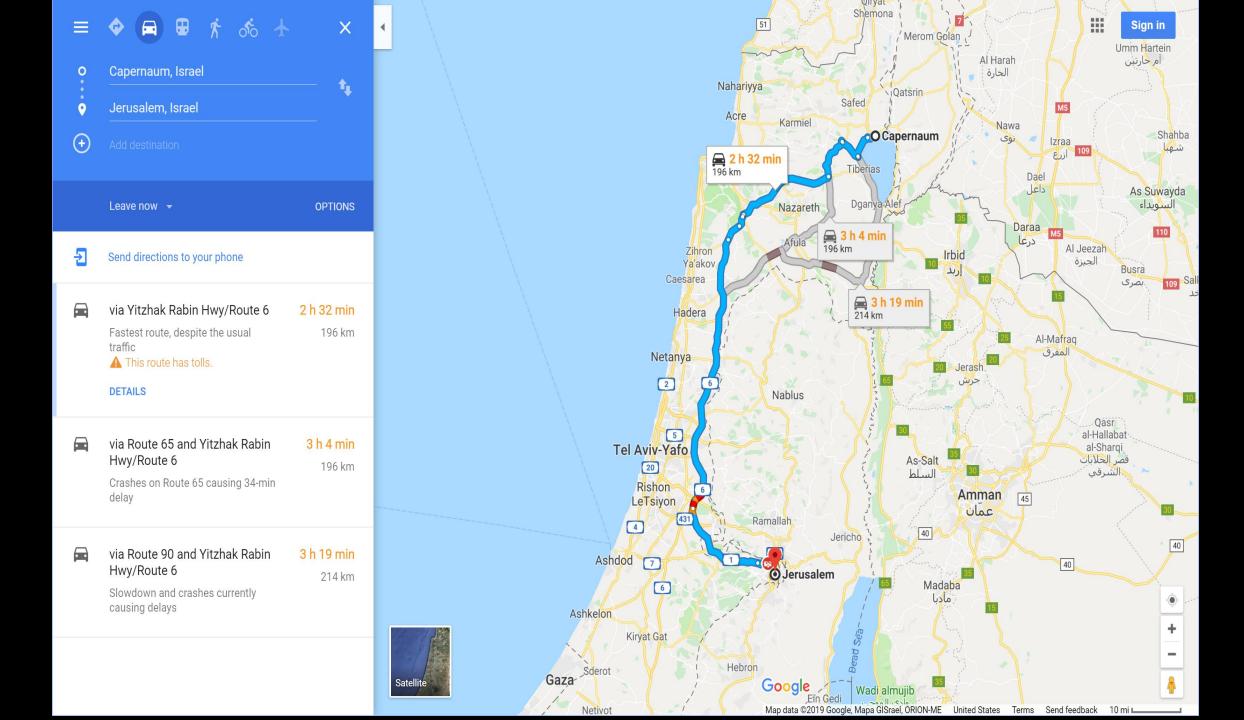
<sup>53</sup> Now it came to pass, when Jesus had finished these parables, that He departed from there. 54 When He had come to His own country, He taught them in their synagogue, so that they were astonished and said, "Where did this Man get this wisdom and these mighty works? 55 Is this not the carpenter's son? Is not His mother called Mary? And His brothers James, Joses, Simon, and Judas? 56 And His sisters, are they not all with us? Where then did this *Man* get all these things?" <sup>57</sup> So they were offended at Him.

But Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his own country and in his own house." <sup>58</sup> Now He did not do many mighty works there because of their unbelief.

<sup>13</sup> Now the Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

- Why does it say up to Jerusalem?
- How far away from Capernaum is Jerusalem?





<sup>14</sup> And He found in the temple those who sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the money changers doing business. 15 When He had made a whip of (KJV: small) cords, He drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and the oxen, and poured out the changers' money and overturned the tables. 16 And He said to those who sold doves, "Take these things away! Do not make My Father's house a house of merchandise!" 17 Then His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for Your house has eaten Me up." (Psalm 69:91

- The merchandisers set up shop in the outer court of the Temple
- They were in cahoots with the priests and gave a commission of their sales to the priests
- The priests would inspect the animals for sacrifice, find a blemish, and reject the animal as not fit for sacrifice.
- You would then be directed to the merchandisers who could sell you a pre-approved animal at a higher price.
- You were not allowed to pay the temple tax with Roman coinage and thus money changers were available to exchange your Roman coins for temple shekels at an exorbitant exchange rate.
- Ultimately these schemes brought disdain to the worship of God for the thousand of worshippers who came to the temple



A silver Jerusalem shekel (AD 68) from the First Jewish Revolt against Roman rule. The obverse inscription reads "Shekel of Israel / Year 3" and that on the reverse "Jerusalem the Holy".



- I can almost envision the common people cheering Jesus on because of how corrupt and disdainful the religious rulers had turned Temple worship into
- "My Father's house": God is my father, I am His son
- Think about it, Jesus walks in, cleanses the temple, and no one stops him

#### John 8:

<sup>20</sup> These words Jesus spoke in the treasury, as He taught in the temple; and no one laid hands on Him, for His hour had not yet come.

18 So the Jews answered and said to Him, "What sign do You show to us, since You do these things?" 19 Jesus answered and said to them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." <sup>20</sup> Then the Jews said, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will You raise it up in three days?" <sup>21</sup> But He was speaking of the temple of His body. <sup>22</sup> Therefore, when He had risen from the dead, His disciples remembered that He had said this to them; and they believed the Scripture and the word which Jesus had said.

- Think of how huge the sign of His resurrection was going to be
- It changed everything

Now when He was in Jerusalem at the Passover, during the feast, many believed in His name when they saw the signs (KJV: miracles) which He did.

- Question: What did Jesus do while in the temple other than kick out the corrupt merchandisers

#### Matthew 21:

<sup>12</sup> Then Jesus went into the temple of God and drove out all those who bought and sold in the temple, and overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who sold doves. <sup>13</sup> And He said to them, "It is written, 'My house shall be called a house of <u>prayer</u>,' but you have made it a 'den of thieves.'"

<sup>14</sup> Then *the* blind and *the* lame came to Him in the temple, and He <u>healed</u> them.

# Luke 19:

<sup>45</sup> Then He went into the temple and began to <u>drive out</u> those who bought and sold in it, <sup>46</sup> saying to them, "It is written, 'My house is a house of <u>prayer</u>,' but you have made it a 'den of thieves.'"

<sup>47</sup> And He was <u>teaching daily</u> in the temple. But the chief priests, the scribes, and the leaders of the people sought to destroy Him, <sup>48</sup> and were unable to do anything; for all the people were very attentive to hear Him.

### Luke 20:

<sup>1</sup> Now it happened on one of those days, as He <u>taught</u> the people in the temple and <u>preached the gospel</u>, *that* the chief priests and the scribes, together with the elders, confronted *Him* <sup>2</sup> and spoke to Him, saying, "Tell us, by what authority are You doing these things? Or who is he who gave You this authority?"

- Teaching, prayer, healing, preaching the gospel all came after the temple was cleansed.
- This is what Temple worship was meant to be. God and man meeting together.
- Other than Jerusalem, where else is God's temple on this earth?

#### 1 Corinthians 3:

<sup>16</sup> Do you not know that <u>you are the temple of God</u> and <u>that the Spirit of God dwells in you?</u> <sup>17</sup> If anyone defiles the temple of God, God will destroy him. For the temple of God is holy, which <u>temple</u> you are.

 Question: What does God want to <u>drive out</u> of your life and mine (i.e. cleanse our temples) so that He might minister in it and manifest His glory?

- -Unbelief
- -Idols
- -Sinful habits or practices
- -Slothfulness

# Hebrews 12:

<sup>6</sup> "My son, do not despise the chastening of the LORD, Nor be discouraged when you are rebuked by Him; For whom the LORD loves He chastens, And scourges every son whom He receives." 7 If you endure chastening, God deals with you as with sons; for what son is there whom a father does not chasten? 8 But if you are without chastening, of which all have become partakers, then you are illegitimate and not sons. <sup>9</sup> Furthermore, we have had human fathers who corrected *us*, and we paid them respect. Shall we not much more readily be in subjection to the Father of spirits and live? <sup>10</sup> For they indeed for a few days chastened us as seemed best to them, but He for our profit, that we may be partakers of His holiness. 11 Now no chastening seems to be joyful for the present, but painful; nevertheless, afterward it yields the peaceable fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

- Now when He was in Jerusalem at the Passover, during the feast, many believed in His name when they saw the signs (KJV: miracles) which He did.
- <sup>24</sup> But Jesus <u>did not commit</u> (believe, commit, entrust) Himself to them, because He knew all *men*, <sup>25</sup> and had no need that anyone should testify of man, for He knew what was in man.
- What a contrast: the nature of Jesus verses the nature of man
- One you can fully trust and believe in, but not so much the other