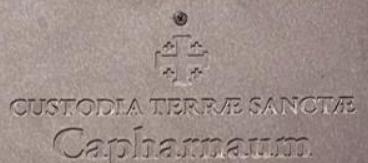


Galilee

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Sea of Galilee

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The Sea of Galilee (named after the surrounding area, the *Galil*) is where several pivotal events in the earthly life of Jesus took place, including:

- Fishermen Simon (Peter) and his brother Andrew were called by Jesus on these shores; they dropped their nets then and there to follow him
- Jesus walked on these waters to the storm-tossed boat holding Peter and other disciples
- Jesus fed thousands of followers with only five loaves and a few fishes, caught in these waters

One of the world's most historic bodies of water, the Sea of Galilee is also known as the *Kinneret*, because its shape recalls the ancient Hebrew *kinnor* or harp, which King David famously played to compose and sing the Psalms. Other names are *Sea of Gennèsaret* (a Greek version of *Kinneret*), and *Lake Tiberias* (after the nearby city Herod Antipas built for Roman Emperor Tiberius).

But when the Gospels mention a sea or a shore, it is almost always to these waters – as the Sea of Galilee – that they refer. Actually, only St. Luke refers to them (correctly) as a “lake”.





















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