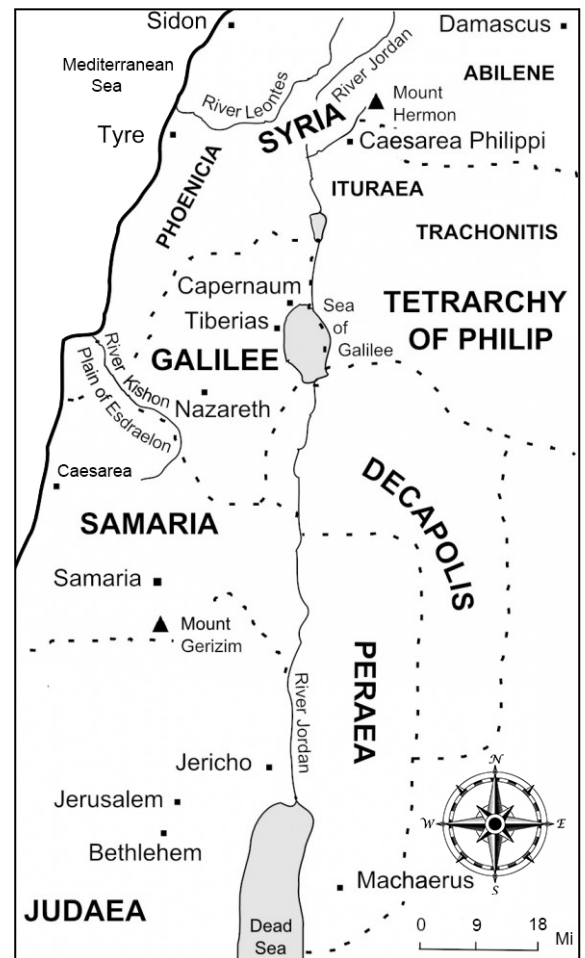


The Chosen, Season 1: Episode 4

Context

- Capernaum, 26 A.D.
 - 26 A.D. is just before Jesus starts his ministry
 - Capernaum was a fishing village on the north of the Sea of Galilee
- Peter's mother-in-law (Peter was married)
 - "...Peter's mother-in-law lying in bed with a fever."
(see Matthew 8:14)
- John the Baptist's ministry
 - "...John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, **preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.**" (see Mark 1:4)
 - "But when [John] saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees... he said to them: "**You brood of vipers!...**" (see Matthew 3:7)
 - "The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the **Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!**" (see John 1:29)
 - "**Andrew**, Simon Peter's brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. **The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon** and tell him, 'We have found the Messiah' (that is, the Christ). And he brought him to Jesus.'" (see John 1:40-42)
- Parables
 - Parable of the Sower: Matthew 13:2-9
 - Parable of the Net: Matthew 13:47-50
 - Parable of the Treasure: Matthew 13:52
- Miraculous Catch
 - "One day as Jesus was standing by the [Sea of Galilee], the people were crowding around him and listening to the word of God... He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and... he sat down and taught the people from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, 'Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch.' Simon answered, 'Master, we've worked hard all night and haven't caught anything. But because you say so, I will let down the nets.' When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break... and filled both boats so full that they began to sink. When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus' knees and said, 'Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!...' Then Jesus said to Simon, 'Don't be afraid; from now on you will fish for people.'" (see Luke 5:1-11)



Bible characters we meet

- Zebedee
 - Father of James and John and a fisherman
 - “[James and John] were in a boat with their father Zebedee...” (see Matthew 4:21-22)
- John the Baptist
 - Jesus’ cousin & miraculously born to older parents: Luke 1:5-25, 36, 39-45, 57-66
 - Prepared the way for Jesus
 - “John answered them all, ‘I baptize you with water. But one who is more powerful than I will come, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire...’” (see Luke 3:1-20)
 - Wore camel’s hair and ate locusts and wild honey
 - “[John’s] clothes were woven from coarse camel hair, and he wore a leather belt around his waist. For food he ate locusts and wild honey.” (see Mark 1:6)

Discussion

- Peter’s approach was to try to settle his debt purely by his own strength. Do you find it easy or hard to trust God to supply for your needs? Any examples where Jesus did a miracle for you in your life (no matter how small)?

- Were the biblical stories and parables portrayed as you imagined? Why or why not? Do you view Jesus as someone with a sense of humor?

- Anything that you learned or deepened how you see Jesus?