

MATTHEW

THE KINGDOM BEGINS



**Over the next several years we will intermittently
be surveying the 11 sections of the
Gospel of Matthew
in order to help us understand what it means to
be a maturing follower of Christ...to be His disciple.**



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Matthew 28:16-20

- 16 Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed the.
- 17 And when they saw Him they worshipped Him, but some doubted.
- 18 And Jesus came and said to them,
“All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.
- 19 **Go** therefore and **make disciples** of all nations, **baptizing** them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
- 20 **teaching them to observe all that I have commanded** you.
And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”



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Matthew 1:18-2:23

1:18-25 The birth of Jesus...

2:1-12 The visit of the wise men...

2:13-15 The escape to Egypt...

2:16-18 The killing of innocent children...

2:19-23 The return to Nazareth...



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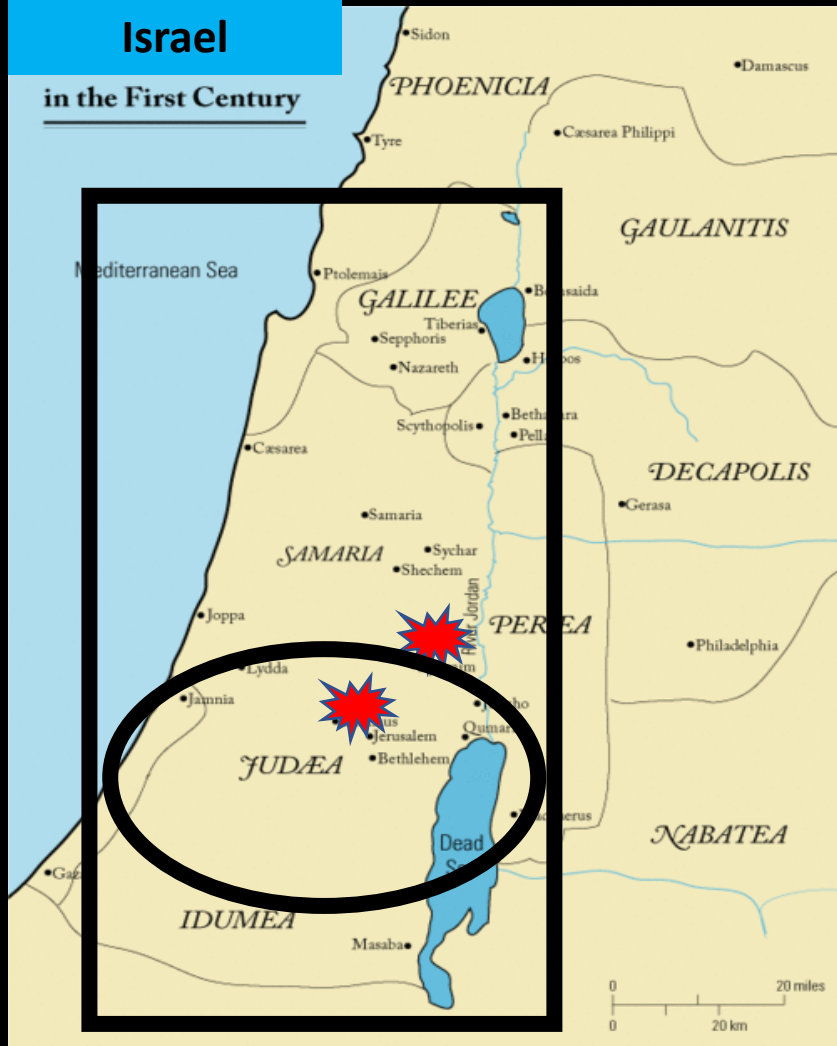
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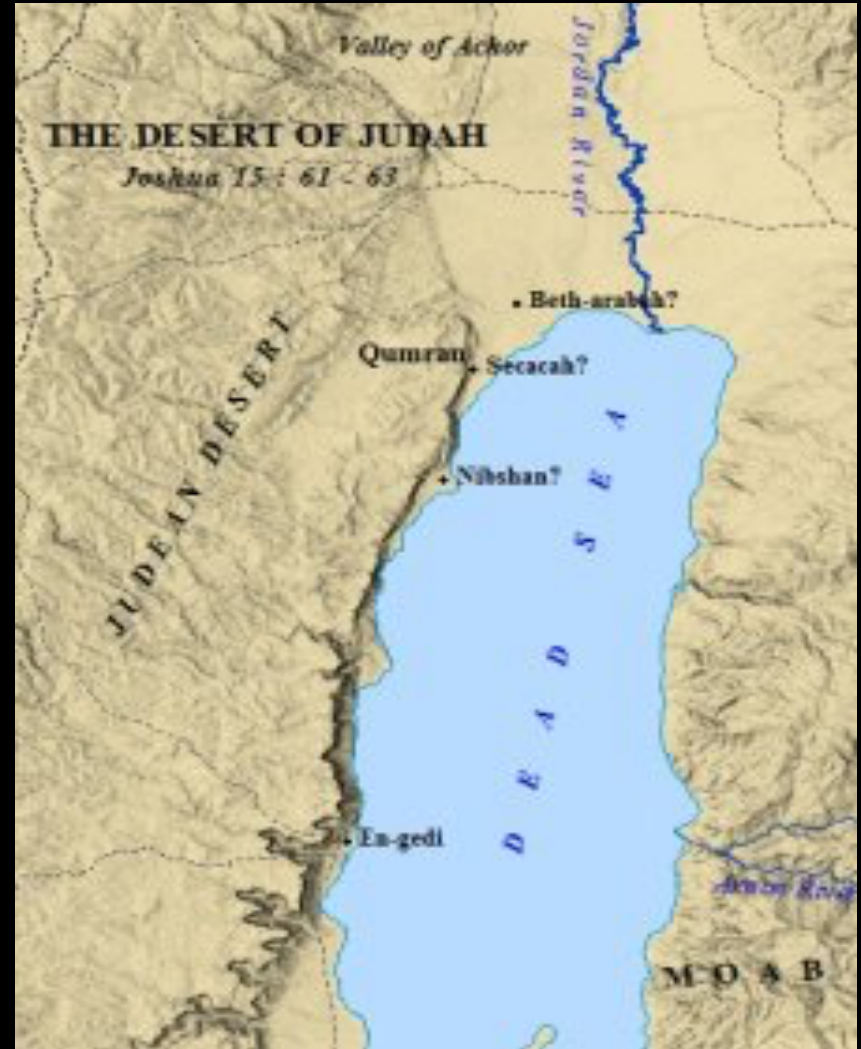
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