



SERMON NOTES

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THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE // PART 5 (Ch. 4)

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SERMON NOTES:

Outline of Luke:

1. Prologue & The Infancy Narrative (1:1–2:52)
2. The Preparation of Jesus' Ministry (3:1–4:15)
3. Jesus' Ministry in Galilee (4:16–9:50)
4. Jesus' Journey to Jerusalem (9:51–19:27)
5. Jesus' Ministry in Jerusalem (19:28–24:53)

Today, we will be at the start of Jesus' ministry in Galilee in Luke 4.

Jesus returned to Galilee **in the power of the Spirit**, and news about him spread through the whole countryside. He was **teaching** in their synagogues, and everyone praised him.

~ Luke 4:14-15

The ministry of Jesus centered around teaching and it was led by and guided by and empowered by and fueled by the Holy Spirit.

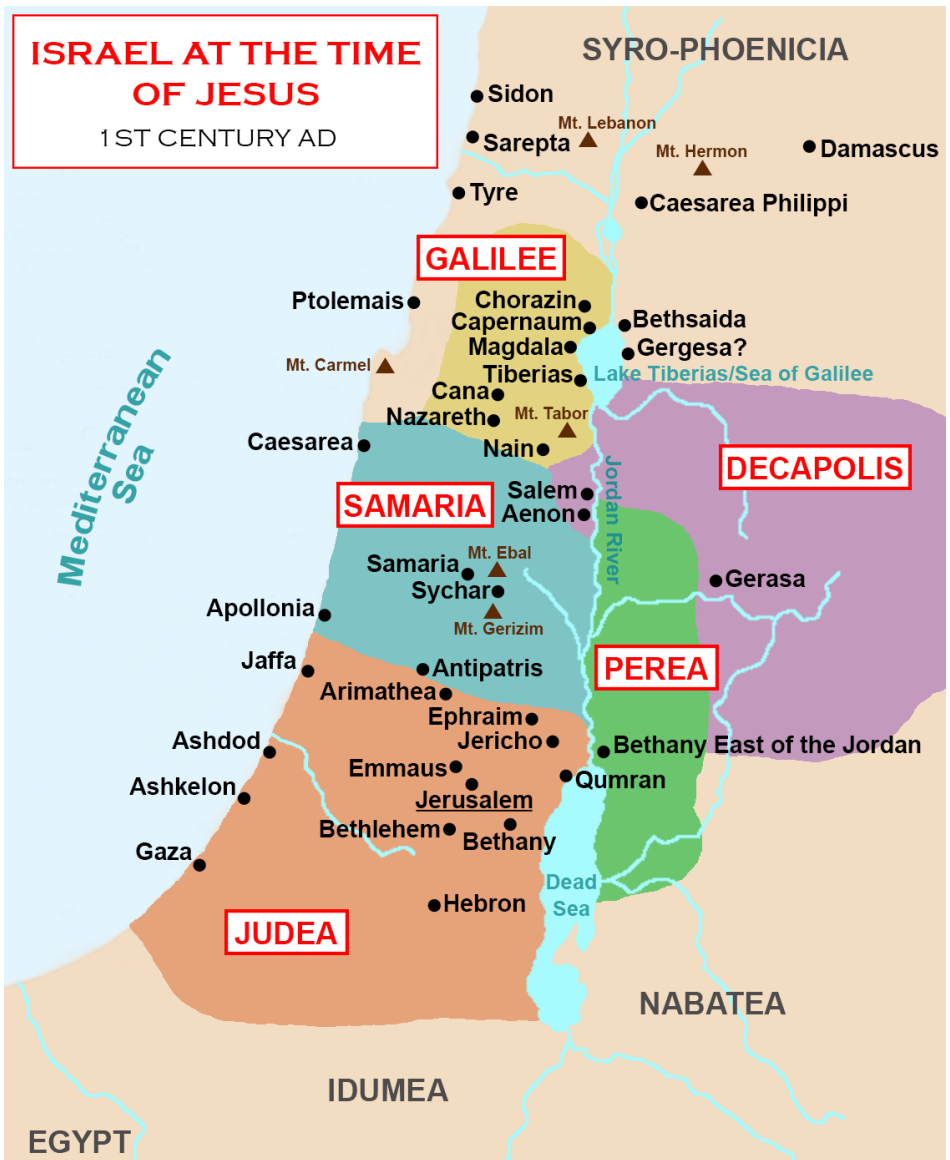
A Keystone Habit – Triggers Widespread Change.

2020: _____

Notes:

ISRAEL AT THE TIME OF JESUS

1ST CENTURY AD



Jesus had certain rituals and rhythms:

One of those days Jesus went out to a mountainside to pray, and spent the night praying to God. When morning came, he called his disciples to him and chose twelve of them.

~ Luke 6:12-13

Daily: _____

Notes:

He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, **as was his custom.**

~ Luke 4:16

Weekly: _____

Notes:

He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written:

“The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim **good news** to the **poor**.
He has sent me to proclaim **freedom** for the **prisoners**
and recovery of **sight** for the **blind**, to set the **oppressed free**,
to proclaim the **year of the Lord’s favor.**”

~ Luke 4:16-19

Notes:

Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. He began by saying to them, “**Today** this scripture is **fulfilled** in your hearing.”

~ Luke 4:20-21

In Jesus, God is for us.
In Jesus, all God’s promises are yes for us.
In Jesus, God is with us!

SMALL GROUP RESOURCE PAGE

Each small group is different.
Feel free to adjust and use what best fits your group.

WARM UP:

- Watch this video on the top 10 New Year's resolutions Americans make - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iQriuiE7CTQ>
- Have you made any New Year's resolutions?

ENGAGE:

- What was most impactful to you from this weekend's service?
- Read through Luke 4.

APPLY:

- What did you think of Rajendra's suggestion for what could be the greatest resolution for 2020 for each of us? Do you agree or disagree?
- What are some other non-legalistic rituals and rhythms we can adopt in our lives to live a life that is guided and empowered by the Holy Spirit?

PRAY:

- Spend some time individually before the Lord, seeking to hear what God is saying about what we are studying these days. Close with Luke 4:14-21 as a benediction.

GOING DEEPER:

- Suggested resource – *Luke for Everyone* by N.T. Wright
- If you are not in a Small Group, there's at least one that needs you! Get started at damascus.com/groups
- Still have questions about Jesus and what it means to be a Christ follower? Join Alpha starting in January. Info at damascus.com/alpha

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