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THE GOSPEL IN ACTION

Intro: The Greatest

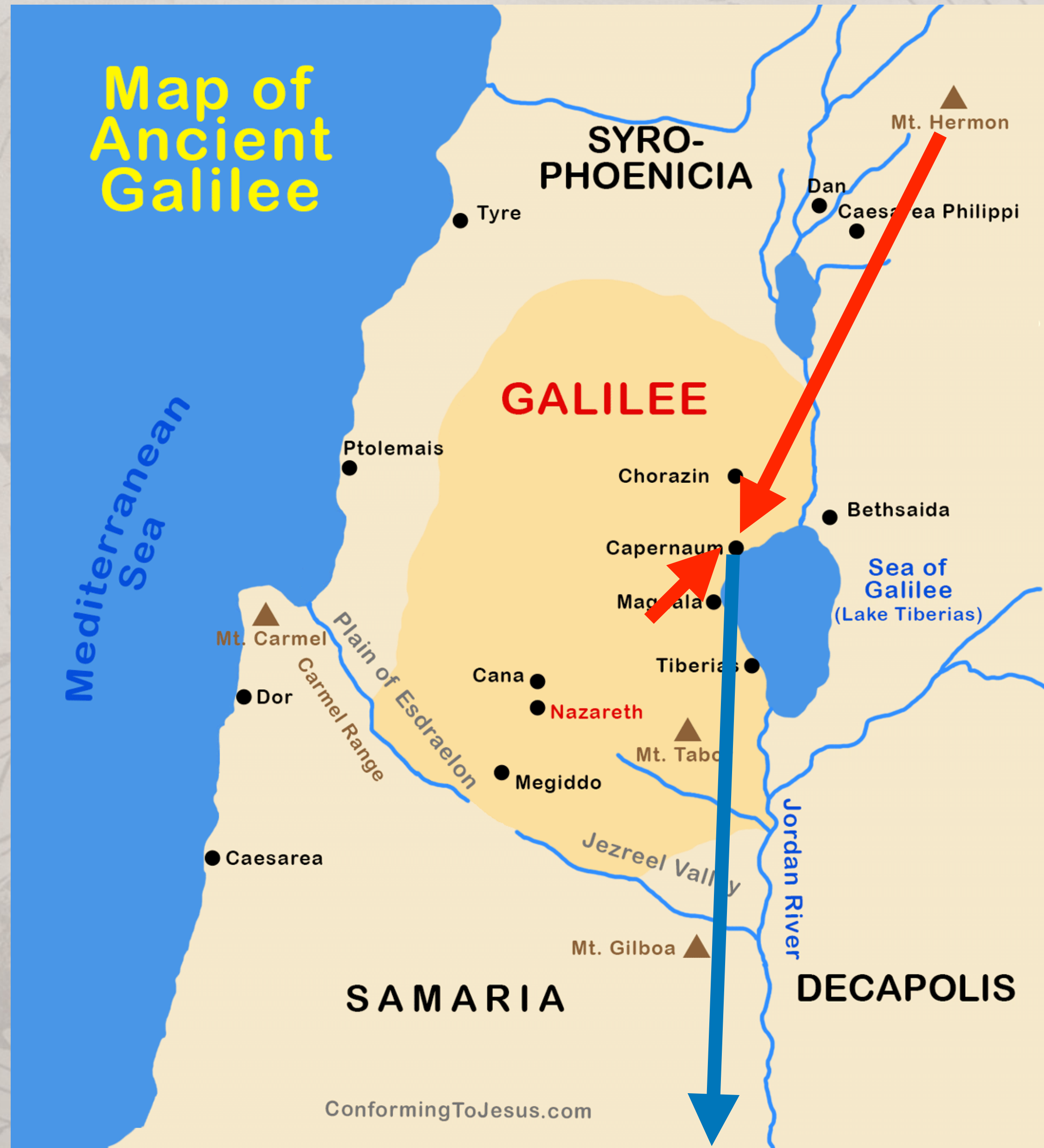
"I am the greatest!"



The background features a circular, monochromatic illustration in a light grey tone. It depicts a dramatic seascape with a large, curling wave on the left side. In the center and right, a boat is shown navigating through the water. The sky is filled with stylized, layered clouds, and the overall composition is framed by a thin circular border.

Mark 9:30-32

I. Lifted Up (30-32)



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“Passing through” Galilee... the focus of Jesus has turned to JERUSALEM.

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In this second Passion Prediction, the suffering of Jesus involves "being delivered (handed over)" into the hands of men.

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The Father hands Jesus over to HUMANITY (anthropon)... in order to SAVE humanity from it's sinful state.

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Why are the disciples struggling to understand the meaning of the **PLAIN LANGUAGE** of Jesus?

A quirk in the Aramaic language? **ZAKAF** means "lifted up" (crucified) OR "**EXALTED**"

A faint, circular background illustration of a stormy sea. The scene is rendered in a light, sketchy style. In the foreground, a large, curling wave is depicted with many fine, parallel lines. In the middle ground, a small boat is shown, tilted as if caught in the waves. The background features a dark, stormy sky with several small, white crosses or crosses-like symbols scattered across it. The overall composition is centered and framed by a thin circular border.

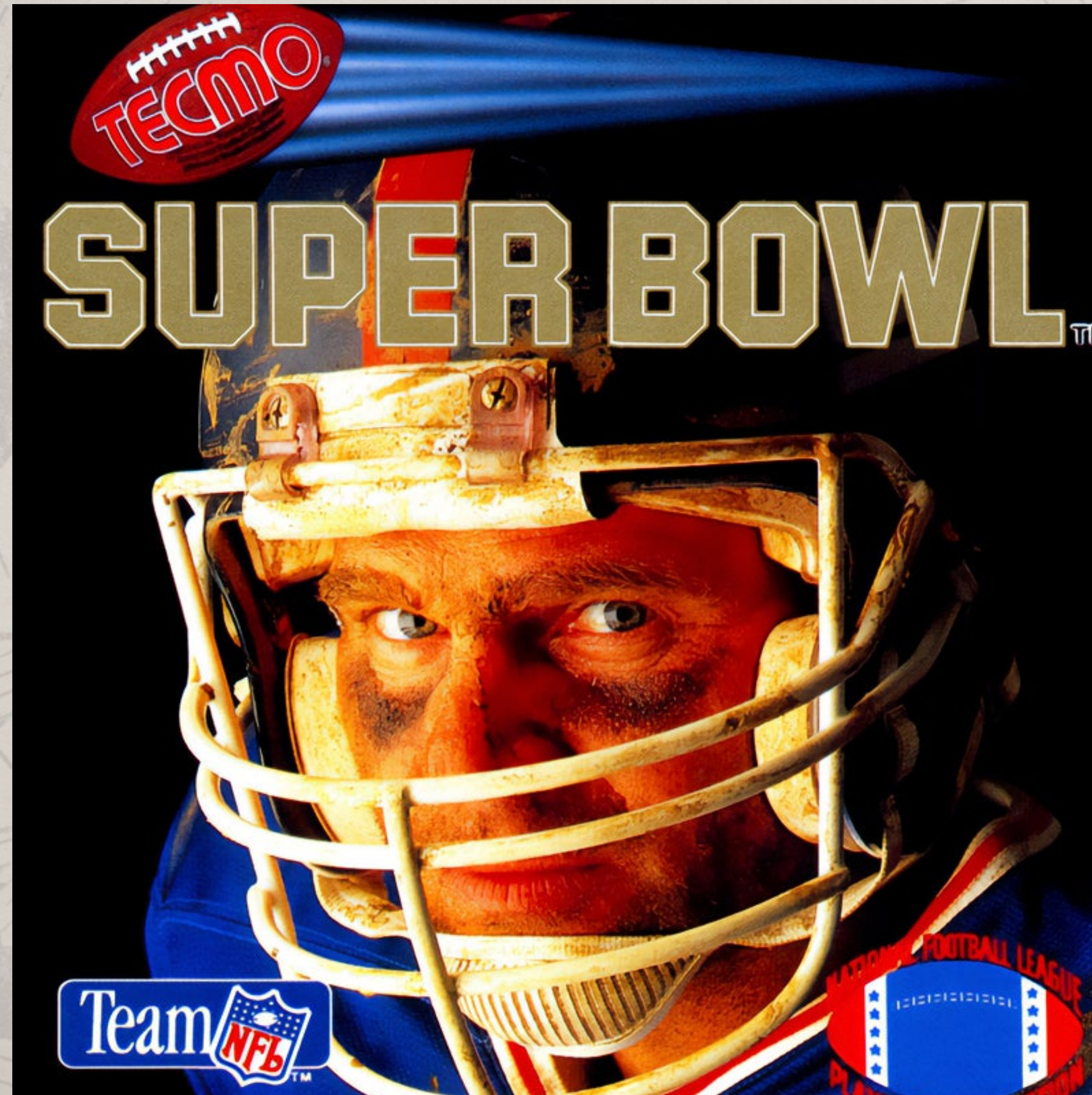
Mark 9:33-37

II. Kingdom Greatness (33-37)

"THE house" in Capernaum... Peter's house?

Another open-ended question... and the disciples don't want to answer it!

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Jesus SITS DOWN (the position of a Rabbi teaching in an authoritative manner).

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**Whoever wants to be FIRST must be
the SERVANT of all.**

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The Aramaic word TALYA refers to a CHILD... or a SERVANT.

Comes from the Hebrew word TALEH, which means LAMB.

II. Kingdom Greatness (33-37)

Jesus makes Himself a servant (Talya) and serves the least of these, including children (Talya), by becoming the LAMB (Taleh) of God who is sacrificed as payment for the sin of the world.

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Mark 9:38-42

III. Defining "US" (38-42)

John changes the subject... yet still exposes the disciples' desire to be GREAT in a worldly manner.

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Verse 38 in the Greek literally reads, "We told him to stop because he does not follow (akalatheo) US!"

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FBC is part of a great denomination... but we are not the only ones making DISCIPLES of Jesus!



MISSIONARY
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III. Defining "US" (38-42)

**Whoever is doing the work of God
(making disciples) in the Name of
Jesus is part of US!**

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CHURCH IN THE Park



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III. Defining "US" (38-42)

The "cease and desist" order of the disciples could damage the FAITH of the man and/or the people he is ministering to.

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Mark 9:43-50

IV. Radical Discipleship (43-50)

The commands of v. 43-47 are metaphorical... yet Jesus does call the disciples to make **COSTLY** sacrifices in order to prioritize the **KINGDOM**.

IV. Radical Discipleship (43-50)

Casual interest is NOT the same thing as faith. Pistuo literally means "ALL-IN".

IV. Radical Discipleship (43-50)

What in the world do you love more than Jesus? Pistuo faith will answer, "NOTHING!"

IV. Radical Discipleship (43-50)

"Salted with fire"

Salt speaks of sacrifice.

Fire speaks of testing.

The idea is to be a "living sacrifice" who points the world to Jesus!

Conclusion: Stay Salty My Friends

Greatness in the Kingdom is not about self-promotion... it's about the quality of our SALTINESS!

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SALTY is...

Willing to suffer for sake of Christ

**Willing to sacrifice plans for the
MISSION**

**Pointing the world to Jesus in all we
say and do**



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