

MARK

- THE STORY OF JESUS -

PART 16 - WHO'S IN YOUR BOAT?

MARK 4:35-41

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Sea of Galilee Boat or Jesus Boat

■ Discovered in January 1986 on the shores of the Sea of Galilee by two fishermen

■ Severe drought caused the sea to recede several meters exposing more shoreline

■ Construction found to be “shell first,” primarily cedar planks and oak frames with tenon joinery

■ Capacity: 15 Crew: 5

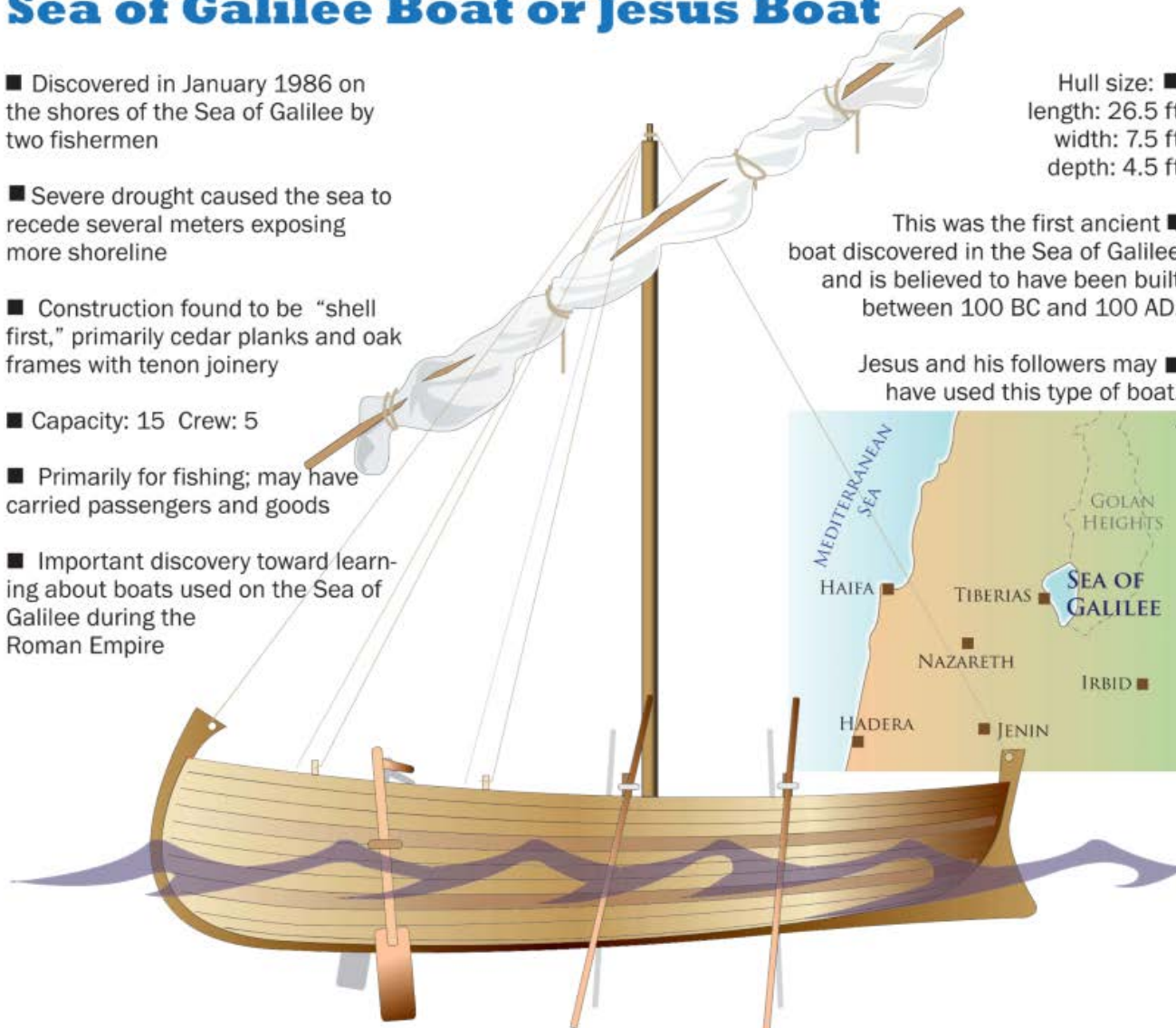
■ Primarily for fishing; may have carried passengers and goods

■ Important discovery toward learning about boats used on the Sea of Galilee during the Roman Empire

Hull size: ■
length: 26.5 ft
width: 7.5 ft
depth: 4.5 ft

This was the first ancient ■ boat discovered in the Sea of Galilee and is believed to have been built between 100 BC and 100 AD.

Jesus and his followers may ■ have used this type of boat.



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IN MARK 4 WE LEARN ABOUT ...

- The purpose of troubles
- The effect of troubles
- The master of troubles

1. THE PURPOSE OF TROUBLES

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THE SOURCE OF TROUBLE

1. Fallen world
2. Our own flesh (consequences not the devil)
3. Others sin against us
4. The Devil – corrupting, deceiving and devouring
5. For God's purpose in redemption and his glory

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Often when you think everything has gone wrong,
it's just that you're in the middle of a story.

MOSES

Then Moses turned to the LORD and said, “O Lord, why have you done evil to this people? Why did you ever send me? For since I came to Pharaoh to speak in your name, he has done evil to this people, and you have not delivered your people at all.” Exodus 5:22–23

2. THE EFFECT OF TROUBLES

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FOUR EFFECTS OF TROUBLES

1. Fear can make you resourceful
2. Fear can cause you to think that God is asleep
3. Fear can cause you to curve in on yourself
4. Fear can be caustic to faith

3. THE MASTER OF TROUBLES

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JESUS & JONAH

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Jonah

- He went down to Joppa and found a ship going to Tarshish. Jonah 1:3
- But the LORD hurled a great wind upon the sea, and there was a mighty tempest on the sea, so that the ship threatened to break up. Then the mariners were afraid ... Jonah 1:4–5
- Jonah had gone down into the inner part of the ship and had lain down and was fast asleep. So the captain came and said to him, "What do you mean, you sleeper? Arise, call out to your god! Perhaps the god will give a thought to us, that we may not perish." Jonah 1:5–6
- they picked up Jonah and hurled him into the sea, and the sea ceased from its raging. Jonah 1:15
- Then the men feared the LORD exceedingly, and they offered a sacrifice to the LORD and made vows. Jonah 1:16

THE TRUE JONAH

The men of Nineveh will rise up at the judgment with this generation and condemn it, for they repented at the preaching of Jonah, and behold, something greater than Jonah is here. Matthew 12:41