

Jesus CHRIST



Jesus came in Humility, though a King!

[Jhn 7:23-26 ESV] 23 If on the Sabbath a man receives circumcision, so that the law of Moses may not be broken, are you angry with me because on the Sabbath I made a man's whole body well? 24 Do not judge by appearances, but **judge with right judgment.**" 25 Some of the people of Jerusalem therefore said, "Is not this the man whom they seek to kill? 26 And here he is, speaking openly, and they say nothing to him! **Can it be that the authorities really know that this is the Christ?**

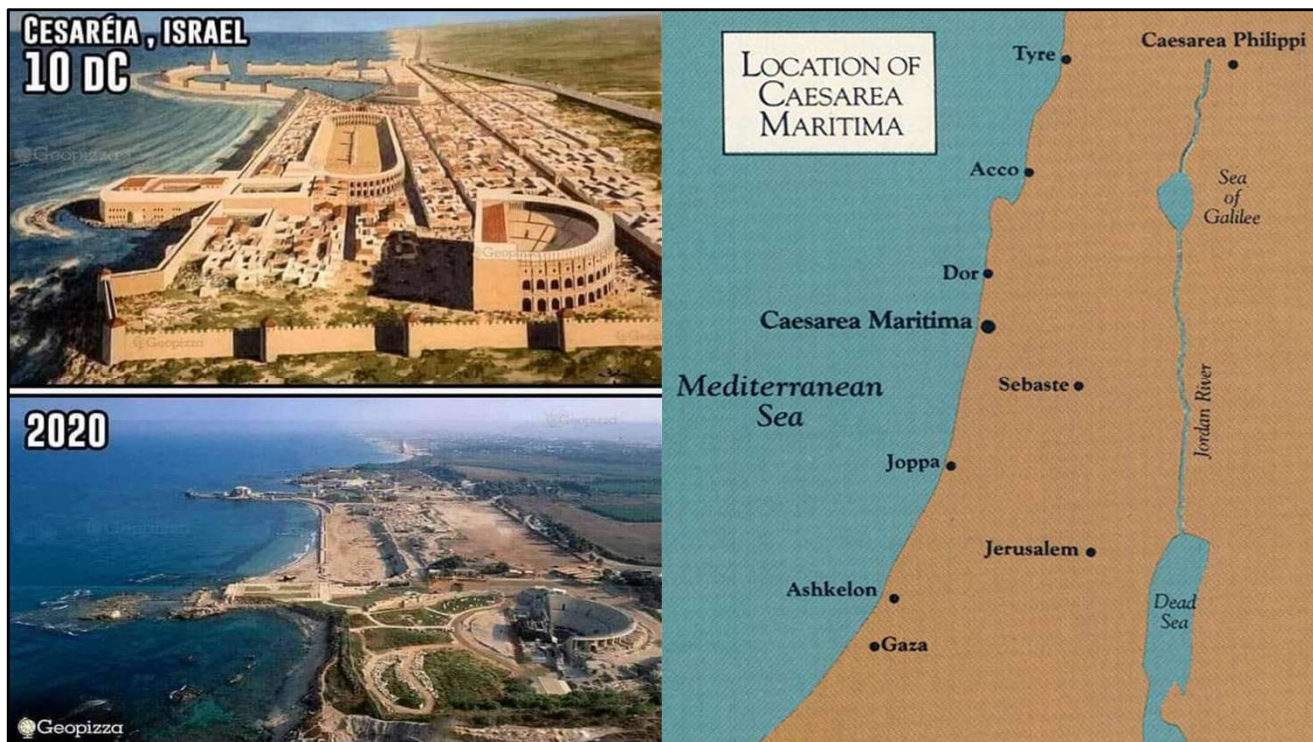
[Jhn 7:31, 40-41 31 Yet many of the people believed in him. **They said, "When the Christ appears, will he do more signs than this man has done?" ...**

40 When they heard these words, **some of the people said, "This really is the Prophet."** 41 **Others said, "This is the Christ."** But some said, "Is the Christ to come from Galilee?"

[Jhn 12:47-48 ESV] 47 If anyone hears my words and does not keep them, I do not judge him; for I did not come to judge the world but to save the world. 48 The one who rejects me and does not receive my words has a judge; the word that I have spoken will judge him on the last day.

[Isa 53:2 ESV] 2 For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; **he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, and no beauty that we should desire him.**

[Mat 12:37 ESV] 37 for by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned.“



There are at least 7-10 major, historically recognized cities directly named or renamed **Caesarea** or *Caesarina* in honor of Julius Caesar or his successors.

Caesar / Czar / Kaiser, Caesar's name is the title for Roman, Russian and German monarchs.

How many places are named after George **Washington**? Hundreds of places in the U.S. are named for George Washington, including one state, over 30 counties, numerous cities and townships (like Washington, D.C.), and countless streets

Caesarea Maritima, by the sea.

King Herod the Great Builder created a man-made SeaPORT! Concrete poured into sea!

Not the same place as todays study.

[Act 8:40 ESV] 40 But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he passed through he preached the gospel to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

[Act 9:30 ESV] 30 And when the brothers learned this, they brought him down to Caesarea and sent him off to Tarsus.

[Act 10:1, 24 ESV] 1 At Caesarea there was a man named Cornelius, a centurion of what was known as the Italian Cohort, ... 24 And on the following day they entered Caesarea. Cornelius was expecting them and had called together his relatives and close friends.

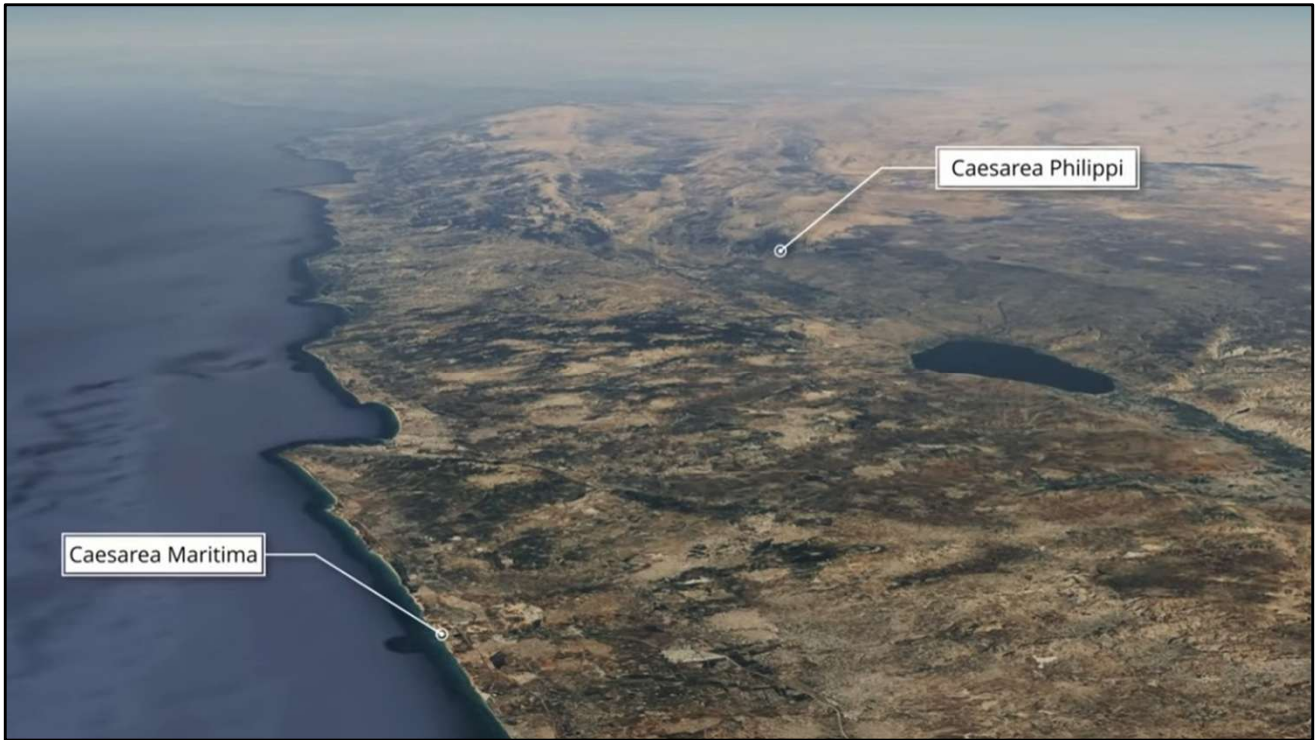
[Act 12:19 ESV] 19 And after Herod searched for him and did not find him, he examined the sentries and ordered that they should be put to death. Then he went down from Judea to Caesarea and spent time there.

[Act 18:22 ESV] 22 When he had landed at Caesarea, he went up and greeted the church, and then went down to Antioch.

[Act 21:8, 16 ESV] 8 On the next day we departed and came to Caesarea, and we entered the house of Philip the evangelist, who was one of the seven, and stayed with him. ... 16 And some of the disciples from Caesarea went with us, bringing us to the house of Mnason of Cyprus, an early disciple, with whom we should lodge.

[Act 23:23, 33 ESV] 23 Then he called two of the centurions and said, "Get ready two hundred soldiers, with seventy horsemen and two hundred spearmen to go as far as Caesarea at the third hour of the night. ... 33 When they had come to Caesarea and delivered the letter to the governor, they presented Paul also before him.

[Act 25:1, 6 ESV] 1 Now three days after Festus had arrived in the province, he went up to Jerusalem from Caesarea. ... 6 After he stayed among them not more than eight or ten days, he went down to Caesarea. And the next day he took his seat on the tribunal and ordered Paul to be brought.



See the Sea of Galilee to the right

Context, Context, Context

- Hermeneutics – science of bible study, methodology
- Context of the Bible book, chapter, verse/story
- Context of Time, History, Geography, Culture
- Context of Theme – Redemption/Messiah/Jesus
- Context of my relationship to HIM!



When we say Context, Context, Context, were not simply reiterating an emphasis! We're addressing numerous interpretive principles and focus

Exegesis, 'art' of interpretation

From Greek god Hermes – its origin with [Hermes](#), the mythological Greek [deity](#) who was the 'messenger of the gods'.^[15] Aside from being a mediator among the gods and between the gods and men, he led souls to the [underworld](#) upon death. Moreover, Hermes was considered the inventor of language and speech, an interpreter, a liar, a thief, and a trickster.^[15] These multiple roles made Hermes an ideal representative figure for hermeneutics. As **Socrates noted, words have the power to reveal or conceal and can deliver messages in an ambiguous way.**^[15]

the "four senses of Scripture," are

1. Literal, focusing on the plain meaning;
2. Allegorical, seeing Christ in events;
3. Moral (or Tropological), finding ethical lessons for conduct; and
4. Anagogical, connecting texts to future heavenly realities (eschatology).

Example: The Sermon on the Mount

Literal: Jesus preached to people on a hill. You will go to Hell for sinful Anger! Or lusting with eyes!

Allegorical: Jesus, as the new lawgiver, delivers new commandments from a mountain, just

as [Moses](#) did.

Moral: Believers should strive to be meek, merciful, and pure in heart.

Anagogical: The heavenly blessings described point to the eternal reward in the New Jerusalem.

Context: Following the Pharisees who Demand a sign 8:11! The Disciples who Jesus called hard hearted 6:52, 8:17 , don't understand yet 8:21 little faith... Mt. 8:26 now confess He IS the MESSIAH!

Interestingly, What follows the Disciples confession? The MT. of Transfiguration!

[Mar 4:41 ESV] 41 And they were filled with great fear and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

[Mar 8:29 ESV] 29 And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Christ."



Map on left show the 2 places Jeroboam built Altars to Alter the people's worship and allegiances!

See on Map, Bethel is just north of Jerusalem. Last Stop

Why did Jeroboam choose a golden Calf? Aaron did too after the Exodus from Egypt. God was Ticked! 3000 died

Jeroboam, 4th/5th, Rebel King, splitting Israel, established two golden calves as idols in the cities of Bethel and Dan.

[1Ki 12:25-33 ESV] 25 Then Jeroboam built Shechem in the hill country of Ephraim and lived there. And he went out from there and built Penuel. 26 **And Jeroboam said in his heart, "Now the kingdom will turn back to the house of David. 27 If this people go up to offer sacrifices in the temple of the LORD at Jerusalem, then the heart of this people will turn again to their lord, to Rehoboam king of Judah, and they will kill me and return to Rehoboam king of Judah."** 28 So the king took counsel and made two calves of gold. And **he said to the people, "You have gone up to Jerusalem long enough. Behold your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt."** 29 **And he set one in Bethel, and the other he put in Dan. 30 Then this thing became a sin, for the people went as far as Dan to be before one.** 31 He also made temples on high places and appointed priests from among all the people, who were not of the Levites. 32 And Jeroboam appointed a feast on the fifteenth day of the eighth month like the feast that was in Judah, and he offered sacrifices on the

altar. So he did in Bethel, sacrificing to the calves that he made. And he placed in Bethel the priests of the high places that he had made. 33 He went up to the altar that he had made in Bethel on the fifteenth day in the eighth month, in the month that he had devised from his own heart. And he instituted a feast for the people of Israel and went up to the altar to make offerings.

Bethel - Abraham worshipped God here. Jacobs Ladder nearby, in Province of Samaria

Dan - Gen 14:14 And when Abram heard that his brother/nephew was taken captive, he armed his trained [servants], born in his own house, three hundred and eighteen, and pursued [them] unto Dan.

[Deu 34:1](#); [Jdg 20:1](#); [Jer 8:16](#). Idolatry established at, [Jdg 18](#); [1Ki 12:28, 29](#); [Amo 8:14](#).

[Exodus 32:4-8](#)

He took the gold from their hands, and with an engraving tool **he fashioned it into a molten calf. And they said, “These, O Israel, are your gods, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!”** / When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before the calf and proclaimed: “Tomorrow shall be a feast to the LORD.” / So the next day they arose, offered burnt offerings, and presented peace offerings. And the people sat down to eat and drink and got up to indulge in revelry. ...

[2 Kings 10:29](#)

but he did not turn away from the sins that Jeroboam son of Nebat had **caused Israel to commit—the worship of the golden calves at Bethel and Dan.**

[Hosea 8:5-6](#)

He has rejected your calf, O Samaria. My anger burns against them. How long will they be incapable of innocence? / **For this thing is from Israel—a craftsman made it, and it is not God. It will be broken to pieces, that calf of Samaria.**

[Amos 8:14](#)

Those who swear by the guilt of Samaria and say, ‘As surely as your god lives, O Dan,’ or, ‘As surely as the way of Beersheba lives’—they will fall, never to rise again.”

2 Chronicles 11:15

And Jeroboam appointed his own priests for the high places and for the goat demons and calf idols he had made.

2 Kings 17:16

They abandoned all the commandments of the LORD their God and made for themselves two cast idols of calves and an Asherah pole. They bowed down to all the host of heaven and served Baal.

Hosea 13:2

Now they sin more and more and make for themselves cast images, idols skillfully made from their silver, all of them the work of craftsmen. People say of them, "They offer human sacrifice and kiss the calves!"

2 Chronicles 13:8-9

And now you think you can resist the kingdom of the LORD, which is in the hands of David's descendants. You are indeed a vast army, and you have with you the golden calves that Jeroboam made for you as gods. / But did you not drive out the priests of the LORD, the sons of Aaron, and the Levites? And did you not make priests for yourselves as do the peoples of other lands? Now whoever comes to consecrate himself with a young bull and seven rams can become a priest of things that are not gods.

[2Ki 23:13-16, 19-21 ESV] 13 And the king defiled the high places that were east of Jerusalem, to the south of the mount of corruption, which Solomon the king of Israel had built for Ashtoreth the abomination of the Sidonians, and for Chemosh the abomination of Moab, and for Milcom the abomination of the Ammonites. 14 And he broke in pieces the pillars and cut down the Asherim and filled their places with the bones of men. 15 Moreover, the altar at Bethel, the high place erected by Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin, that altar with the high place he pulled down and burned, reducing it to dust. He also burned the Asherah. 16 And as Josiah turned, he saw the tombs there on the mount. And he sent and took the bones out of the tombs and burned them on the altar and defiled it, according to the word of the LORD that the man of God proclaimed, who had predicted these things. ... 19 And Josiah removed all

the shrines also of the high places that were in the cities of Samaria, which kings of Israel had made, provoking the LORD to anger. He did to them according to all that he had done at Bethel. 20 And he sacrificed all the priests of the high places who were there, on the altars, and burned human bones on them. Then he returned to Jerusalem. 21 And the king commanded all the people, "Keep the Passover to the LORD your God, as it is written in this Book of the Covenant."

Caesarea Philippi

- Named after Caesar! Not Caesarea 'by the Sea'
- This city is significant for many reasons, near Dan!
 - Near city of Dan (Tribe of Dan) link to Abraham / history
 - Northernmost city of Israel, 1 Samuel 3:19-20 – Dan to
 - Designated by 4/5 King of Israel, when kingdom split
 - Seat of Syncretistic Pagan worship - Jereboam

Yes, we are addressing the same text, but a deeper dive and a question that needs considered more DEEPLY!

Caesarea and Dan are only 2 miles apart

[Gen 14:14 ESV] 14 **When Abram heard** that his kinsman had been taken captive, he led forth his trained men, born in his house, 318 of them, and **went in pursuit as far as Dan.**

1 Samuel 3:19-20 "And Samuel grew, and the LORD was with him, and did let none of his words fall to the ground. And **all Israel from Dan even to Beersheba** knew that Samuel was established as a prophet of the LORD."

Judges 20:1 "Then **all the children of Israel went out, and the congregation was gathered together as one man, from Dan even to Beersheba,** with the land of Gilead, unto the LORD in Mizpeh."

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[1Ki 14:9-10, 14-16 ESV] **9 but you have done evil above all who were before you and have gone and made for yourself other gods and metal images, provoking me to anger, and have cast me behind your back, 10 therefore behold, I will bring harm upon the house of Jeroboam** and will cut off from Jeroboam every male, both bond and free in Israel, and will burn up the house of Jeroboam, as a man burns up dung until it is all gone. ... 14 **Moreover, the LORD will raise up for himself a king over Israel who shall cut off the house of Jeroboam today.** And henceforth, 15 the LORD will strike Israel as a reed is shaken in the water, and root up Israel out of this good land that he gave to their fathers and scatter them beyond the Euphrates, **because they have made their Asherim, provoking the LORD to anger.** 16 And **he will give Israel up because of the sins of Jeroboam, which he sinned and made Israel to sin.**“

1 Kings 19:18

Yet I have left me seven thousand in Israel, all the knees which have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth which has not kissed him.

This act was a direct violation of the first and second commandments, which prohibit the worship of other gods and the making of graven images (Exodus 20:3-4).



Dan – city of compromise

Mount Hermon—just 14 miles from Caesarea Philippi.

The distance from Baniyas (Banas) to Tel Dan is approximately 3 kilometers (about 1.9 miles)

[Gen 10:8-10 ESV] 8 **Cush fathered Nimrod; he was the first on earth to be a mighty man.** 9 **He was a mighty hunter before the LORD. Therefore it is said, "Like Nimrod a mighty hunter before the LORD."** 10 **The beginning of his kingdom was Babel, Erech, Accad, and Calneh, in the land of Shinar.**[1Ch 1:10 ESV] 10 Cush fathered Nimrod. He was the first on earth to be a mighty man.

Tel Dan Stele, Israel Museum (photo Faithlife, 2016)

In 1993, on the final day of the excavations season at Tel Dan, Avraham Biran and Gila Cook were making certain the site was ready for the off-season.

*The team's surveyor, Gila Cook, first noticed it. **There, in secondary use in a wall**, on the east side of the plaza, beneath an eighth-century B.C.E. destruction level, **she saw a basalt stone protruding from the ground. As the rays of the afternoon sun glanced off this stone, Gila thought she saw letters on it and called Biran over.** When he bent down to look at the stone, he exclaimed: "Oh, my God, we have an inscription!" The stone was easily removed and, when turned toward the sun, the letters sprang to life. In their words, "It was an unforgettable moment."*

— ***“David’ Found at Dan,” Biblical Archaeology Review*** 20, no. 2 (March/April 1994): 33.



Rebuilt Canaanite city gates of Dan, Where Abraham likely entered, to rescue Lot who was taken captive when living in Sodom

It was said of old that the borders of ancient Israel were “from Dan to Beersheba.” (Judges 20:1; 1 Sam. 3:20; 2 Sam. 17:11; 1 Kings 4:25; 1 Chron. 21:2; 2 Chron 30:5).

Mentioned 20 times in Scripture, Dan came to be associated with idolatry as one of the two places Jeroboam I set up a golden calf for the northern Kingdom of Israel to worship (1 Kings 12:28-29).

In the 18th century BC, the Canaanites at Lesham (Dan) built an imposing mudbrick gate. This massive entrance to the city featured a triple-arched entrance with two towers – one on each side. It has sometimes been dubbed, “Abraham’s Gate” because Abram once rescued his nephew Lot from his kidnappers near Dan (Gen. 14:14).



Caesarea Phillipi see the little people?

An Earthquake years ago moved the flow of water so much it no longer flows but a trickle from the cave

The spring at Baniyas initially originated in a large cave carved out of a sheer cliff face which was gradually lined with a series of shrines.

The once very large spring gushed from the [limestone](#) cave, but an earthquake moved it to the foot of the natural terrace where it now seeps quietly from the bedrock, with a greatly reduced flow. From here the stream, called Nahal Hermon in Hebrew, flows towards what once were the [malaria](#)-infested [Hula marshes](#).^[7]

PAN: THE PASTORAL GOD

GREEK MYTHOLOGY

Pan was a minor deity in Greek mythology and god of:

- Nature
- The Wild
- Flocks
- Shepherds
- Mountain Wilds
- Sexuality



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Pan was part-goat, part-man. He didn't have an important role to play but remains a culturally significant Greek deity. He is said to have invented the panpipes, and is connected to the creation of echoes.



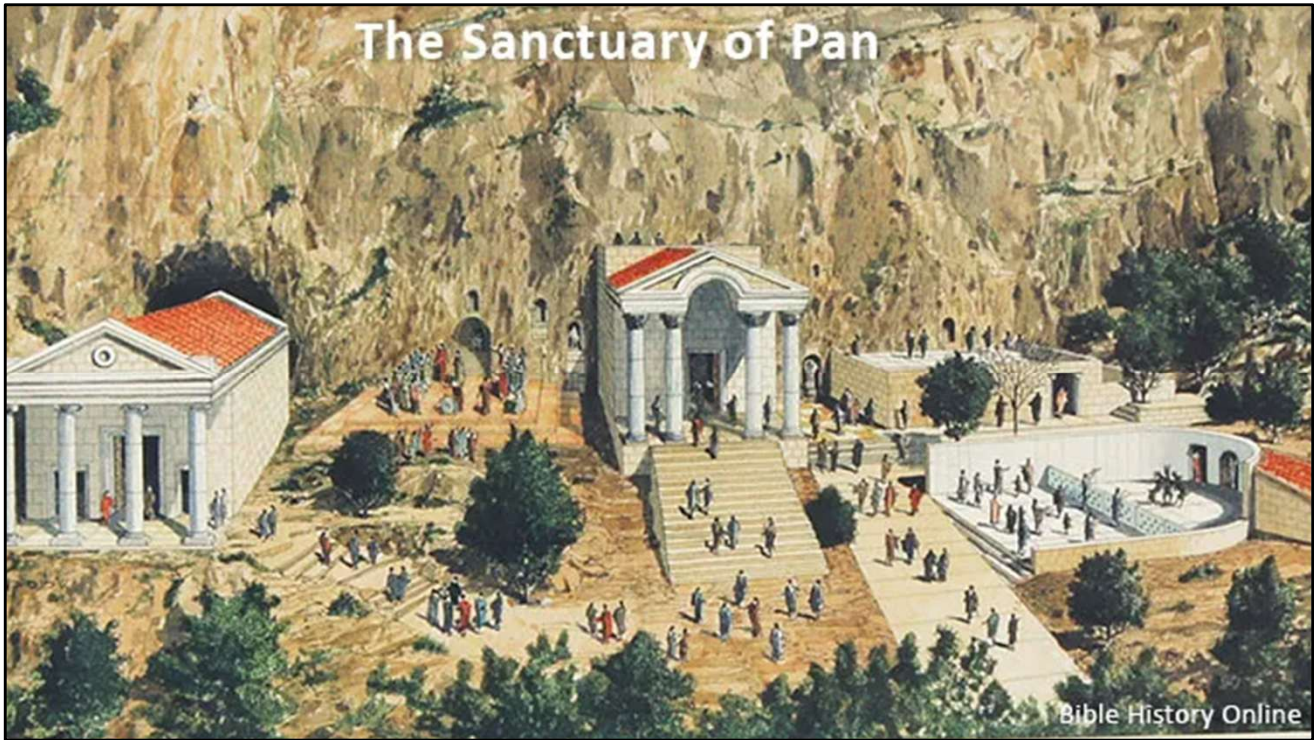
Far right, recently found head of Pan, 2025?



1 of 4 sources of the Jordan river!

Pay attention to Cave/Grotto and Niche

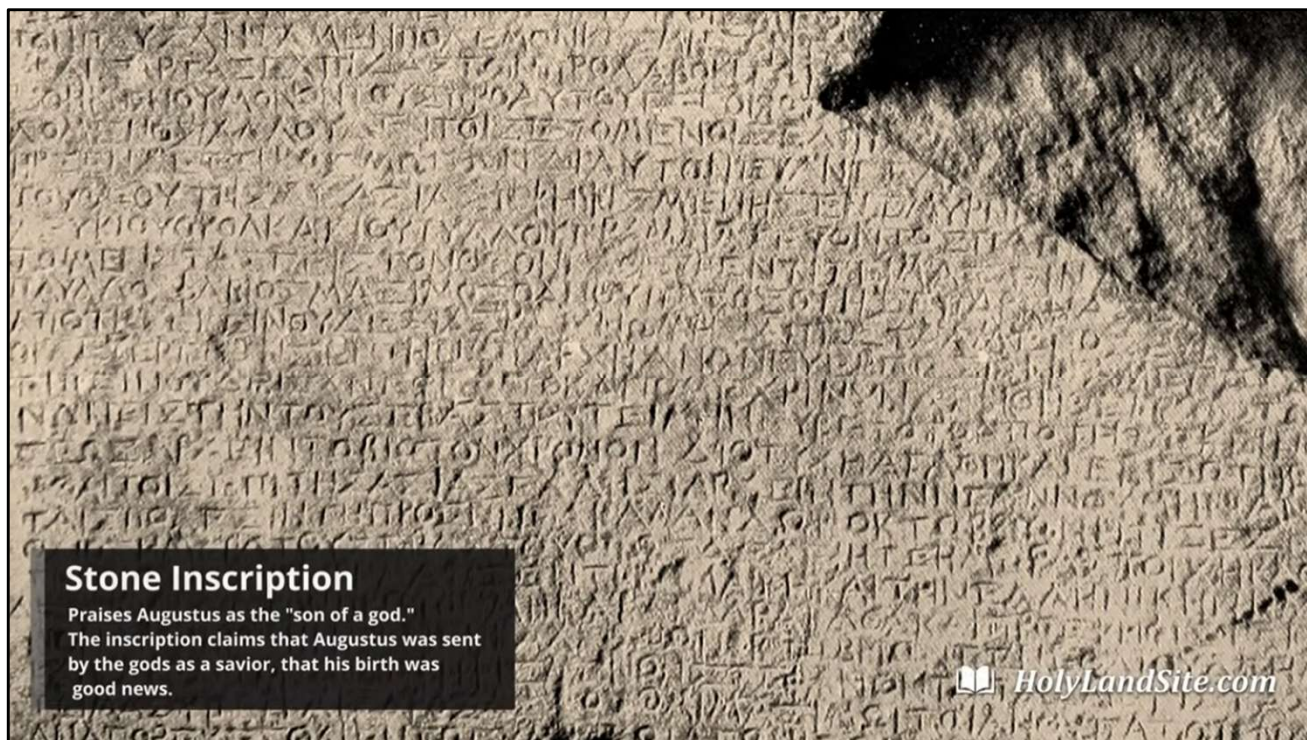
The Sanctuary of Pan





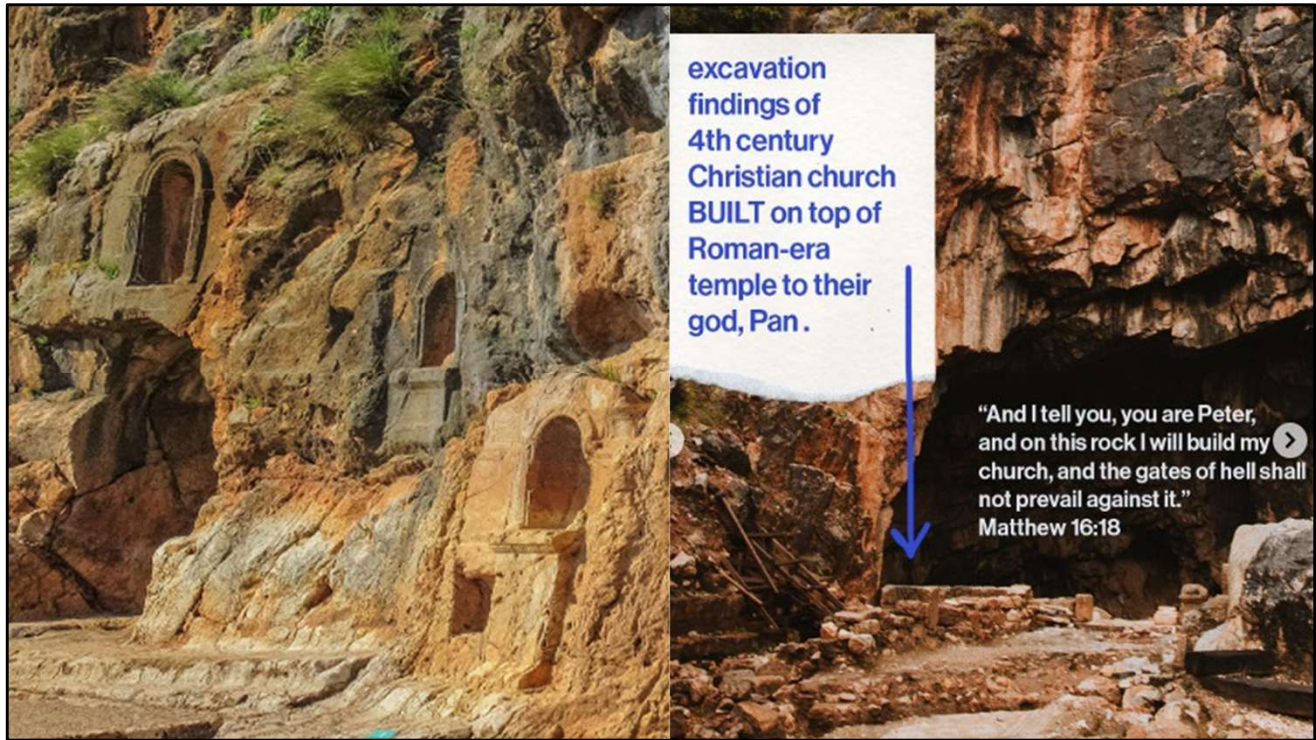
Goddess **Nemesis** too!

Temple of Augustus (Caesar)



Praises Augustus as the “son of god”

Sent by the gods as a Savior, his birth is “good news”



What gods fill your Niche? Notice they're empty now, just waiting for you to fill them with the god of your choice

See the foundations of a 4th Century Church and the Church eternal!!

Report this week 3 young girls jumped to their death b/c they were punished from their cell phones and Internet

<https://www.ndtv.com/india-news/ghaziabad-suicide-ghaziabad-girls-suicide-korean-culture-they-were-on-their-phones-until-midnight-father-of-girls-who-jumped-to-death-10951917>

<https://www.thesun.co.uk/news/38123030/three-sisters-fall-deaths-addicted-mysterious-online-game/>

THREE sisters jumped from the ninth floor of their home after their parents reportedly confiscated their phones over concerns they were addicted to a Korean gaming app.

Nishika, 16, Prachi, 14 and Pakhi, 12, died after jumping from the balcony of their flat in Bharat City society, near Delhi

Jesus in forefront of the diorama of life

- A Rock wall of pagan idols in the area of Israels syncretized altars as backdrop to Jesus' question
- Pan (Pan pipes, half goat half man, 'Panic')
- "Gates of Hell" behind Him, 'Pan'ic / fear of death
- Enough time / evidence has been experienced!
- It is time to acknowledge / Choose where you stand!



Heb 2:14-15 Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, 15 and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery.

A **diorama** is a three-dimensional miniature or life-size scene, featuring figures and objects set against a realistic painted background to depict a historical event, natural habitat, or fictional setting, often used in museums for education or as popular school projects. The word comes from Greek roots meaning "through" and "that which is seen," reflecting its original use in theatrical displays.

Caesarea (Roman) Pan and Zeus (Greek) in Dan (Canaanite gods – Baal) Pan was Greek god of **Shepherds, Sheep, son of Hermes and assoc. with Nymphs and fertility. Panpipes (Music) and Goathead**. Shortly after Jesus, there was a story that Pan had died. The pre-Hellenistic deity associated with the spring of Banias was variously called [Ba'al-gad](#) or [Ba'al Hermon](#)

[Josephus](#) mentions that [Herod the Great](#) erected a temple of 'white marble' nearby in honor of his patron;

So, near Nimrods fortress (Tower of Babel)

In the ruins of the Greek gods- Zeus and **Pan**

Revitalized in tribute/worship of Augustus Caesar,

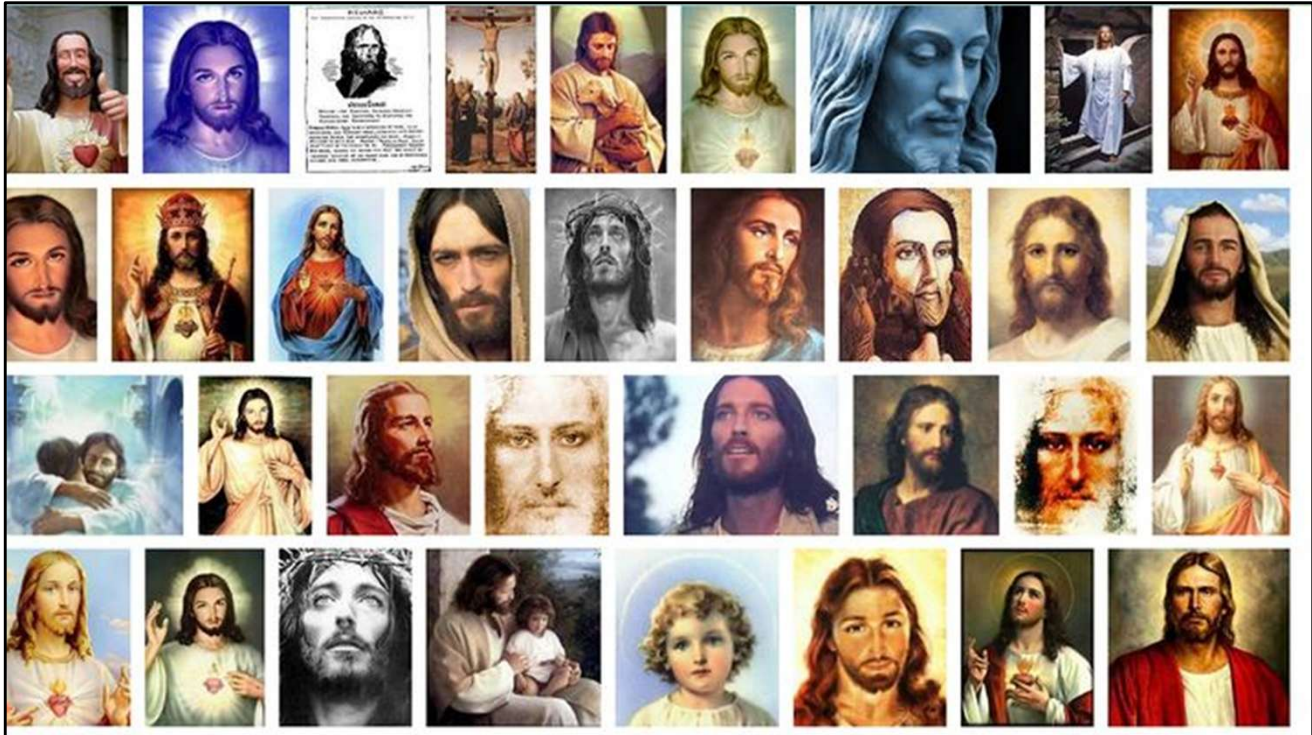
In the region Jeroboam marked to bookend his kingdom and indoctrinate the northern 10 tribes of Israel in a hybrid worship of Yahweh and Baal. Bulls (Egypt!!) 1Ki.13

Jesus asked Who do you think I am?

Time enough has passed. Jesus has performed extraordinary miracles, endured powerful and probing temptations, has taught timeless transformative truths, has genuinely extended love and grace to untouchables, outsider, downtrodden, foreigners, convicted and condemned and offered even to His enemies!

Dan – Banias springs, **Geographically the source of the Jordan, the very lifeblood of Israel at foot of M.t Hermon!**

I'm going to ask you an essential and impending question! Where do you stand concerning Jesus Christ? Please know one day you will be asked by the risen resplendent Savior Himself!



When we say Jesus, people envision many different Jesus'

The Morphing Messiah!! Syncretism

Jews – False Messiah, or good teacher, Israel doesn't rule the world!!!

Muslims – Prophet but Didn't die on cross or rise again! We're waiting for the Mahdi! Muslim Messiah (Movie Dune)

Roman Catholics – Son of Mary, son of God, died on cross and If we believe AND do catholic works we will eventually get to heaven , thru purgatory 1st

Atheists- Never existed, False messiah or merely a good moral teacher akin to Ghandi

Leftists – He was the original Socialist and Woke Preacher! Illegal Alien who preached/practiced welfare programs to feed hungry, forgive the criminals, housed the homeless...

Cosmic Concierge – give me, give me, the original Santa Claus

“Who do people say that I am?”

- “What do you think of me”?
- What was expected of the ‘Christ’?
 - A descendant of King David to Rule! Global peace (Wars)
 - Bring all Jews back to Israel
 - 3rd Temple and pure and faithful worship
 - Promises to Israel fulfilled – Genesis 12:1-3



Hashem wants to reveal divinity and light and clarity and divine properties of goodness and compassion here in the physical world, that is the end game.

10:30 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qncz8PAmo-A&t=615s>

What are actual,. Practical things He (Mashiach) will do when he arrives?

1. Bring all Jews back to land of Israel (why are they scattered?)
2. Rebuild the Temple (Jesus is the one who prophesied its fall! Lk.13:34-35, 19:44, 21:6)
3. Fight the wars (and win!)
4. Bring world peace

Therefore Jewish people believe Jesus didn't come, those fulfillments haven't happened yet

"neither shall they practice war any more" (Isaiah 2:4). 9

Because these specific, physical, and global changes have not occurred, Judaism does not accept Jesus or any other historical figure as the Messiah. The focus is on the *Messianic Age*, which is characterized by universal peace and the perfection of the world, rather than solely on the personality of the leader.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qncz8PAmo-A&t=615s>

<https://www.jewfaq.org/mashiach#:~:text=The%20Jewish%20idea%20of%20the%20messiah%20is,law%20as%20the%20law%20of%20the%20land>

The mashiach will be a great political leader descended from King David ([Jeremiah 23:5](#)).

The term "mashiach" literally means "the anointed one," The word "mashiach" does not mean "savior."

He will be well-versed in Jewish law, and observant of its commandments ([Isaiah 11:2-5](#)).

It has been said that in every generation, a person is born with the potential to be the mashiach. If the time is right for the messianic age within that person's lifetime, then that person will be the mashiach. But if that person dies before he completes the mission of the mashiach, then that person is not the mashiach.

Although some scholars believed that [G-d](#) has set aside a specific date for the coming of the mashiach, most authority suggests that the conduct of mankind will determine the time of the mashiach's coming. In general, it is believed that the mashiach will come in a time when he is most needed (because the world is so sinful), or in a time when he is most deserved (because the world is so good). For example, each of the following has been suggested as the time when the mashiach will come:

if Israel repented a single day;

if Israel observed a single [Shabbat](#) properly;

if Israel observed two Shabbats in a row properly;

in a generation that is totally innocent or totally guilty;

in a generation that loses hope;

in a generation where children are totally disrespectful towards their parents and elders;

What Will the Mashiach Do?

Before the time of the mashiach, there shall be war and suffering ([Ezekiel 38:16](#))

The mashiach will bring about the political and spiritual redemption of the [Jewish people](#) by bringing us back to [Israel](#) and restoring Jerusalem ([Isaiah 11:11-12](#); [Jeremiah 23:8](#); [30:3](#); [Hosea 3:4-5](#)). He will establish a government in Israel that will be the center of all world government, both for Jews and gentiles ([Isaiah 2:2-4](#); [11:10](#); [42:1](#)). He will rebuild the [Temple](#) and re-establish its worship ([Jeremiah 33:18](#)). He will restore the religious court system of Israel and establish Jewish law as the law of the land ([Jeremiah 33:15](#)).

Some authorities suggest that the laws of nature will change, so that predatory beasts will no longer seek prey and agriculture will bring forth supernatural abundance ([Isaiah 11:6-11:9](#)). Others, however, say that these statements are merely an allegory for peace and prosperity.

All of the [Jewish people](#) will return from their exile among the [nations](#) to their home in [Israel](#) ([Isaiah 11:11-12](#); [Jeremiah 23:8](#); [30:3](#); [Hosea 3:4-5](#)). The law of the Jubilee will be reinstated.

In the Olam Ha-Ba, the whole world will recognize the Jewish [G-d](#) as the only true G-d, and the Jewish religion as the only true religion ([Isaiah 2:3](#); [11:10](#); [Micah 4:2-3](#); [Zechariah 14:9](#)). There will be no murder, robbery, competition or jealousy. There will be no sin ([Zephaniah 3:13](#)). [Sacrifices](#) will continue to be brought in the [Temple](#), but these will be limited to [thanksgiving offerings](#), because there will be no further need for expiatory offerings.

Biblical Passages Referring to the Mashiach

The following passages in the [Jewish scriptures](#) are the ones that Jews consider to be messianic in nature or relating to the end of days. These are the ones that we rely upon in developing our messianic concept:

[Isaiah 2, 11, 42; 59:20](#)

[Jeremiah 23, 30, 33; 48:47; 49:39](#)

[Ezekiel 38:16](#)

[Hosea 3:4-3:5](#)

[Micah 4](#)

[Zephaniah 3:9](#)

[Zechariah 14:9](#)

[Daniel 10:14](#)

[Isa 2:1-22 ESV] 1 The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. 2 It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be lifted up above the hills; and all the nations shall flow to it, 3 and many peoples shall come, and say: "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. 4 He shall judge between the nations, and shall decide disputes for many peoples; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore. 5 O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD. 6 For you have rejected your people, the house of Jacob, because they are full of things from the east and of fortune-tellers like the Philistines, and they strike hands with the children of foreigners. 7 Their land is filled with silver and gold, and there is no end to their treasures; their land is filled with horses, and there is no end to their chariots. 8 Their land is filled with idols; they bow down to the work of their hands, to what their own fingers have made. 9 So man is humbled, and each one is brought low-- do not forgive them! 10 Enter into the rock and hide in the dust from before the terror of the LORD, and from the splendor of his majesty. 11 The haughty looks of man shall be brought low, and the lofty pride of men shall be humbled, and the LORD alone will be exalted in that day. 12 For the LORD of hosts has a day against all that is proud and lofty, against all that is lifted up--and it shall be brought low; 13 against all the cedars of Lebanon, lofty and lifted up; and against all the oaks of Bashan; 14 against all the lofty mountains, and against all the uplifted hills; 15 against every high tower, and against every fortified wall; 16 against all the ships of Tarshish, and against all the beautiful craft. 17 And the haughtiness of man shall be humbled, and the lofty pride of men shall be brought low, and the LORD alone will be exalted in that day. 18 And the idols shall utterly pass away. 19 And people shall enter

the caves of the rocks and the holes of the ground, from before the terror of the LORD, and from the splendor of his majesty, when he rises to terrify the earth. 20 In that day mankind will cast away their idols of silver and their idols of gold, which they made for themselves to worship, to the moles and to the bats, 21 to enter the caverns of the rocks and the clefts of the cliffs, from before the terror of the LORD, and from the splendor of his majesty, when he rises to terrify the earth. 22 Stop regarding man in whose nostrils is breath, for of what account is he?

[Isa 59:20 ESV] 20 "And a Redeemer will come to Zion, to those in Jacob who turn from transgression," declares the LORD.

[Jer 23:1-40 ESV] 1 "Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!" declares the LORD. 2 Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who care for my people: "You have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for your evil deeds, declares the LORD. 3 Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. 4 I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing, declares the LORD. 5 "Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. 6 In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.' 7 "Therefore, behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when they shall no longer say, 'As the LORD lives who brought up the people of Israel out of the land of Egypt,' 8 but 'As the LORD lives who brought up and led the offspring of the house of Israel out of the north country and out of all the countries where he had driven them.' Then they shall dwell in their own land." 9 Concerning the prophets: My heart is broken within me; all my bones shake; I am like a drunken man, like a man overcome by wine, because of the LORD and because of his holy words. 10 For the land is full of adulterers; because of the curse the land mourns, and the pastures of the wilderness are dried up. Their course is evil, and their might is not right. 11 "Both prophet and priest are ungodly; even in my house I have found their evil, declares the LORD. 12 Therefore their way shall be to them like slippery paths in the darkness, into which they shall be driven and fall, for I will bring disaster upon them in the year of their punishment,

declares the LORD. 13 In the prophets of Samaria I saw an unsavory thing: they prophesied by Baal and led my people Israel astray. 14 But in the prophets of Jerusalem I have seen a horrible thing: they commit adultery and walk in lies; they strengthen the hands of evildoers, so that no one turns from his evil; all of them have become like Sodom to me, and its inhabitants like Gomorrah." 15 Therefore thus says the LORD of hosts concerning the prophets: "Behold, I will feed them with bitter food and give them poisoned water to drink, for from the prophets of Jerusalem ungodliness has gone out into all the land." 16 Thus says the LORD of hosts: "Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you, filling you with vain hopes. They speak visions of their own minds, not from the mouth of the LORD. 17 They say continually to those who despise the word of the LORD, 'It shall be well with you'; and to everyone who stubbornly follows his own heart, they say, 'No disaster shall come upon you.'" 18 For who among them has stood in the council of the LORD to see and to hear his word, or who has paid attention to his word and listened? 19 Behold, the storm of the LORD! Wrath has gone forth, a whirling tempest; it will burst upon the head of the wicked. 20 The anger of the LORD will not turn back until he has executed and accomplished the intents of his heart. In the latter days you will understand it clearly. 21 "I did not send the prophets, yet they ran; I did not speak to them, yet they prophesied. 22 But if they had stood in my council, then they would have proclaimed my words to my people, and they would have turned them from their evil way, and from the evil of their deeds. 23 "Am I a God at hand, declares the LORD, and not a God far away? 24 Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him? declares the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? declares the LORD. 25 I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, 'I have dreamed, I have dreamed!' 26 How long shall there be lies in the heart of the prophets who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart, 27 who think to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, even as their fathers forgot my name for Baal? 28 Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let him who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? declares the LORD. 29 Is not my word like fire, declares the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces? 30 Therefore, behold, I am against the prophets, declares the LORD, who steal my words from one another. 31 Behold, I am against the prophets, declares the LORD, who use their tongues and declare, 'declares the LORD.' 32 Behold, I am against those who prophesy lying dreams, declares the LORD, and who tell them and lead my people astray by their lies and their recklessness, when I did not send them or charge them. So they do not

profit this people at all, declares the LORD. 33 "When one of this people, or a prophet or a priest asks you, 'What is the burden of the LORD?' you shall say to them, 'You are the burden, and I will cast you off, declares the LORD.' 34 And as for the prophet, priest, or one of the people who says, 'The burden of the LORD,' I will punish that man and his household. 35 Thus shall you say, every one to his neighbor and every one to his brother, 'What has the LORD answered?' or 'What has the LORD spoken?' 36 But 'the burden of the LORD' you shall mention no more, for the burden is every man's own word, and you pervert the words of the living God, the LORD of hosts, our God. 37 Thus you shall say to the prophet, 'What has the LORD answered you?' or 'What has the LORD spoken?' 38 But if you say, 'The burden of the LORD,' thus says the LORD, 'Because you have said these words, "The burden of the LORD," when I sent to you, saying, "You shall not say, 'The burden of the LORD,'" 39 therefore, behold, I will surely lift you up and cast you away from my presence, you and the city that I gave to you and your fathers. 40 And I will bring upon you everlasting reproach and perpetual shame, which shall not be forgotten."

[Jer 48:47 ESV] 47 Yet I will restore the fortunes of Moab in the latter days, declares the LORD." Thus far is the judgment on Moab.

[Jer 49:39 ESV] 39 "But in the latter days I will restore the fortunes of Elam, declares the LORD."

[Eze 38:16 ESV] 16 You will come up against my people Israel, like a cloud covering the land. In the latter days I will bring you against my land, that the nations may know me, when through you, O Gog, I vindicate my holiness before their eyes.

[Hos 3:4-5 ESV] 4 For the children of Israel shall dwell many days without king or prince, without sacrifice or pillar, without ephod or household gods. 5 Afterward the children of Israel shall return and seek the LORD their God, and David their king, and they shall come in fear to the LORD and to his goodness in the latter days.

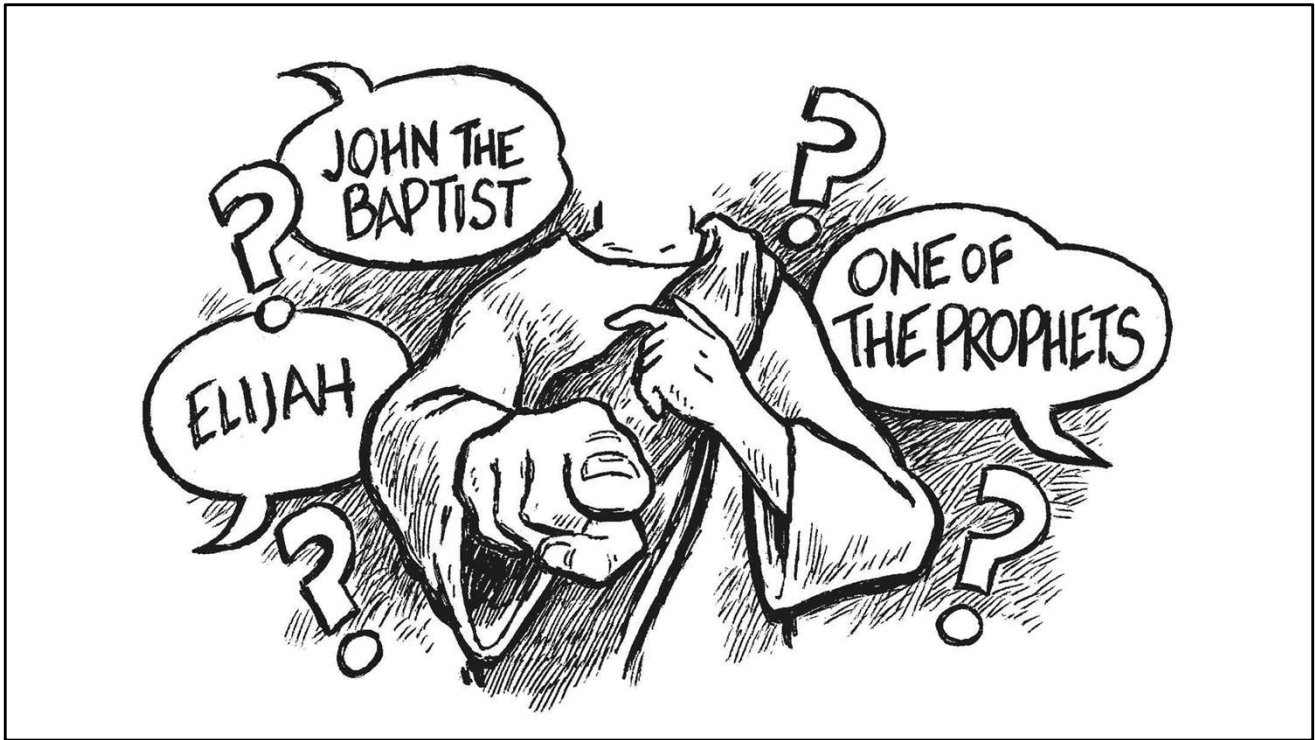
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he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. 3 He shall judge between many peoples, and shall decide disputes for strong nations far away; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore; 4 but they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree, and no one shall make them afraid, for the mouth of the LORD of hosts has spoken. 5 For all the peoples walk each in the name of its god, but we will walk in the name of the LORD our God forever and ever. 6 In that day, declares the LORD, I will assemble the lame and gather those who have been driven away and those whom I have afflicted; 7 and the lame I will make the remnant, and those who were cast off, a strong nation; and the LORD will reign over them in Mount Zion from this time forth and forevermore. 8 And you, O tower of the flock, hill of the daughter of Zion, to you shall it come, the former dominion shall come, kingship for the daughter of Jerusalem. 9 Now why do you cry aloud? Is there no king in you? Has your counselor perished, that pain seized you like a woman in labor? 10 Writhe and groan, O daughter of Zion, like a woman in labor, for now you shall go out from the city and dwell in the open country; you shall go to Babylon. There you shall be rescued; there the LORD will redeem you from the hand of your enemies. 11 Now many nations are assembled against you, saying, "Let her be defiled, and let our eyes gaze upon Zion." 12 But they do not know the thoughts of the LORD; they do not understand his plan, that he has gathered them as sheaves to the threshing floor. 13 Arise and thresh, O daughter of Zion, for I will make your horn iron, and I will make your hoofs bronze; you shall beat in pieces many peoples; and shall devote their gain to the LORD, their wealth to the Lord of the whole earth.

[Zep 3:9 ESV] 9 "For at that time I will change the speech of the peoples to a pure speech, that all of them may call upon the name of the LORD and serve him with one accord.

[Zec 14:9 ESV] 9 And the LORD will be king over all the earth. On that day the LORD will be one and his name one.

[Dan 10:14 ESV] 14 and came to make you understand what is to happen to your people in the latter days. For the vision is for days yet to come."



Its time to declare where you stand!

“You are the Christ” – Mark 8:29

- “Who do people say that I am?”
 - John the Baptist; (Greatest amongst men, moral character)
 - And others say, Elijah; (Great Prophet/Miracles! Didn’t die!)
 - And others, one of the prophets (400 years of silence)
- Matthew 16:16 – Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.”



One of the Prophets? Jeremiah was mentioned

John had been beheaded but Even Herod wondered IF he came back from the Dead (hyper guilty conscience) [Mar 6:14-16](#) Herod also mentioned Elijah! After 400 yrs

Elijah had been Propheted (Mal.4:5) Jesus was asked IF he was Elijah, Elijah meets him on Mt transfig. They think Jesus called for Elijah from the cross!

[[Mal 4:5](#) ESV] 5 "**Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes.**

[Mat 11:14 ESV] 14 and if you are willing to accept it, he is Elijah who is to come.

[Mat 16:14 ESV] 14 And they said, "**Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.**"

[Mat 17:3-4, 10 ESV] 3 And **behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him.** 4 **And Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good that we are here.** If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." ... 10 And the disciples asked him, "Then why do the scribes say that first Elijah must come?"

[[Mat 27:47](#) ESV] 47 **And some of the bystanders, hearing it, said, "This man is calling Elijah."**

[Mar 6:15 ESV] 15 But others said, "He is Elijah." And others said, "He is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old."

[Mar 8:28 ESV] 28 And they told him, "John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets."

[Mar 9:4-5, 11-13 ESV] 4 And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus. 5 And Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." ... 11 And they asked him, "Why do the scribes say that first Elijah must come?" 12 And he said to them, "Elijah does come first to restore all things. And how is it written of the Son of Man that he should suffer many things and be treated with contempt? 13 But I tell you that Elijah has come, and they did to him whatever they pleased, as it is written of him."

[Mar 15:35-36 ESV] 35 And some of the bystanders hearing it said, "Behold, he is calling Elijah." 36 And someone ran and filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down."

[Luk 1:17 ESV] 17 and he will go before him in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, to make ready for the Lord a people prepared."

[Luk 4:25-26 ESV] 25 But in truth, I tell you, there were **many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah**, when the heavens were shut up three years and six months, and a great famine came over all the land, 26 and Elijah was sent to none of them but only to Zarephath, in the land of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow.

[Jhn 1:21, 25 ESV] 21 And they asked him, "What then? Are you Elijah?" He said, "I am not." "Are you the Prophet?" And he answered, "No." ... 25 They asked him, "Then why are you baptizing, if you are neither the Christ, nor Elijah, nor the Prophet?"

[Rom 11:2 ESV] 2 God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. Do you not know what the Scripture says of Elijah, how he appeals to God against Israel?

[Jas 5:17 ESV] 17 Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth.

[Mat 16:13-20 ESV] 13 Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" 14 And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, **and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.**" 15 He said to them, **"But who do you say that I am?"** 16 Simon Peter replied, **"You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."** 17 And Jesus answered him,

"Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. 18 And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. 19 I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." 20 Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

[Luk 9:19-20 ESV] 19 And they answered, "John the Baptist. But others say, Elijah, and others, that one of the prophets of old has risen." 20 Then he said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" And Peter answered, "The Christ of God."

[Mat 14:33 ESV] 33 And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, **"Truly you are the Son of God."**

[Mat 26:63 ESV] 63 But Jesus remained silent. And the high priest said to him, **"I adjure you by the living God, tell us if you are the Christ, the Son of God."**

[Mat 27:54 ESV] 54 When the centurion and those who were with him, keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were filled with awe and said, **"Truly this was the Son of God!"**

[Psa 2:7 ESV] 7 I will tell of the decree: The LORD said to me, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you."

[Jhn 1:49 ESV] 49 Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!"

[Jhn 6:69 ESV] 69 and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God."

[Jhn 11:27 ESV] 27 She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world."

[Jhn 20:31 ESV] 31 but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

[Rom 1:4 ESV] 4 and was declared to be the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord,

[Heb 1:2 ESV] 2 but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he

appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world.

[1Jo 4:15 ESV] 15 Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God.

[1Jo 5:5, 20 ESV] 5 Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? ... 20 And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding, so that we may know him who is true; and we are in him who is true, in his Son Jesus Christ. He is the true God and eternal life.



Lord, Lunatic, or Liar?

C.S. Lewis' Trilemma, from his book **Mere Christianity**,

“I am trying here to prevent anyone saying the really foolish thing that people often say about Him: I’m ready to accept Jesus as a great moral teacher, but I don’t accept his claim to be God. That is the one thing we must not say. A man who was merely a man and said the sort of things Jesus said would not be a great moral teacher. He would either be a lunatic—on the level with the man who says he is a poached egg—or else he would be the Devil of Hell. You must make your choice. Either this man was, and is, the Son of God, or else a madman or something worse. You can shut him up for a fool, you can spit at him and kill him as a demon or you can fall at his feet and call him Lord and God, but let us not come with any patronizing nonsense about his being a great human teacher. He has not left that open to us. He did not intend to. ... Now it seems to me obvious that He was neither a lunatic nor a fiend: and consequently, however strange or terrifying or unlikely it may seem, I have to accept the view that He was and is God.”

Liar! Jn.7:12

Lunatic! Jn.7:20, 8:48, 52, 10:20

Lord/Christ! Jn.7:26, 30, 40-41

Either He is Lord or you are calling Him a Liar and a Lunatic!

The reason people don't want to state that Jesus is God, is they now are more culpable for what they do next

[Jhn 7:11-13, 15, 20, 23-31, 33-38, 40-48, 50-52 ESV] 11 The Jews were looking for him at the feast, and saying, "Where is he?" 12 And **there was much muttering about him among the people. While some said, "He is a good man," others said, "No, he is leading the people astray."** 13 Yet for fear of the Jews no one spoke openly of him. ... 15 The Jews therefore marveled, saying, "How is it that this man has learning, when he has never studied?" ... 20 **The crowd answered, "You have a demon!"** Who is seeking to kill you?" ... 23 If on the Sabbath a man receives circumcision, so that the law of Moses may not be broken, are you angry with me because on the Sabbath I made a man's whole body well? 24 **Do not judge by appearances, but judge with right judgment.**" 25 Some of the people of Jerusalem therefore said, "Is not this the man whom they seek to kill?" 26 And here he is, speaking openly, and they say nothing to him! **Can it be that the authorities really know that this is the Christ?** 27 But we know where this man comes from, and **when the Christ appears, no one will know where he comes from.**" 28 So Jesus proclaimed, as he taught in the temple, "You know me, and you know where I come from. But I have not come of my own accord. He who sent me is true, and him you do not know. 29 I know him, for I come from him, and he sent me." 30 So they were seeking to arrest him, but no one laid a hand on him, because his hour had not yet come. 31 **Yet many of the people believed in him.** They said, "**When the Christ appears, will he do more signs than this man has done?**" ... 33 Jesus then said, "I will be with you a little longer, and then I am going to him who sent me. 34 You will seek me and you will not find me. Where I am you cannot come." 35 The Jews said to one another, "Where does this man intend to go that we will not find him? Does he intend to go to the Dispersion among the Greeks and teach the Greeks? 36 What does he mean by saying, 'You will seek me and you will not find me,' and, 'Where I am you cannot come'?" 37 On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, "**If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink.**" 38 Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, '**Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.**'" ... 40 When they heard these words, **some of the people said, "This really is the Prophet."** 41 **Others said, "This is the Christ."** But some said, "Is the Christ to come from Galilee? 42 **Has not the Scripture said that the Christ comes from the offspring of David, and comes from Bethlehem, the village where David was?"** 43 **So there was a division among the people over**

him. 44 Some of them wanted to arrest him, but no one laid hands on him. 45 The officers then came to the chief priests and Pharisees, who said to them, "Why did you not bring him?" 46 **The officers answered, "No one ever spoke like this man!"** 47 **The Pharisees answered them, "Have you also been deceived?"** 48 Have any of the authorities or the Pharisees believed in him? ... 50 Nicodemus, who had gone to him before, and who was one of them, said to them, 51 "Does our law judge a man without first giving him a hearing and learning what he does?" 52 They replied, "Are you from Galilee too? Search and see that no prophet arises from Galilee."

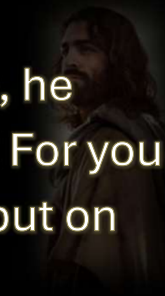
[Jhn 8:48, 52 ESV] 48 The Jews answered him, "**Are we not right in saying that you are a Samaritan and have a demon?**" ... 52 The Jews said to him, "**Now we know that you have a demon! Abraham died, as did the prophets, yet you say, 'If anyone keeps my word, he will never taste death.'**"

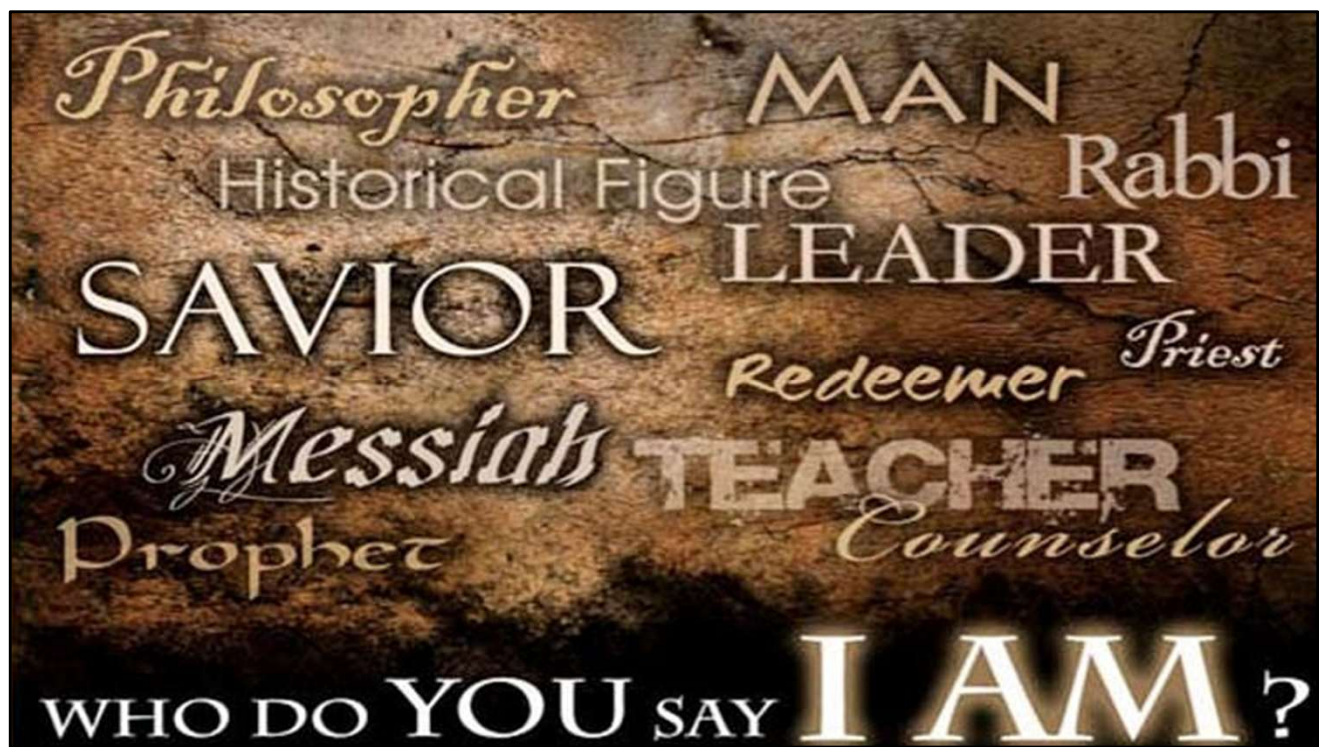
[**Jhn 10:20** ESV] 20 Many of them said, "**He has a demon, and is insane; why listen to him?**"

[**Mar 3:21-22** ESV] 21 And when his family heard it, they went out to seize him, for they were saying, "**He is out of his mind.**" 22 And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem were saying, "He is possessed by Beelzebul," and "by the prince of demons he casts out the demons."

The Son of Man must suffer

- Why? When? How? What about us?!
- Rabbis taught 2 Messiahs! Ben Joseph – Isaian 53
- Peter rebukes the Christ, son of God?!!
- Mark 8:33 – But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.”





Jesus foretold it at least 3x!!

- Mark 8:31 = Matthew 16:21 = Luke 9:22
- Mark 9:30-32 = Matthew 17:22-23 = Luke 9:43-45
- Mark 10:32-34 = Matthew 20:17-19 = Luke 18:31-34
- Jerusalem; Suffer, Killed, Raised 3rd day!
- Jesus was not what we expected, He was far more than we deserved

3 gospel accounts record 3 clear times Jesus prepared them for His coming sacrifice!

[Mar 8:31-33 ESV] 31 And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must **suffer many things** and be **rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed**, and **after three days rise again**. 32 And **he said this plainly**. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. 33 But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."

1. **So Jesus predicted He would be Killed (not natural death! Or Quick, suffering free death)**
2. **He would Suffer – mocked, spit upon, Flogged stated...not prophesied – Punches, Crown of thorns...**
3. **In Jerusalem, But He still goes there??! He previously avoided Jerusalem when he knew they were going to kill Him!**
4. **By the Jewish Leaders; the elders and the chief priests and the scribes (Sanhedrin)**
5. **Delivered – Judas to Sanhedrin, Jews to Romans! Gentiles!**
6. **Raised/Rise 3rd Day! Not any other day! Even the Pharisees remembered that, but NOT the Disciples! Who can predict their own Resurrection???! And the Day!!**

Mt. Mk. And Lk. Align in recording the 3 clearly stated prophecies of Jesus , in Jerusalem, of His own death, burial and Resurrection!

Mark 8:31 = Matt 16:21 = Luke 9:22

Mark 9:30-32 = Matt 17:22-23 = Luke 9:43-45

Mark 10:32-34 = Matt 20:17-19 = Lk 18:31-34

Jesus' Prediction of His Death in the Gospel of John.

John alludes to additional “Heads up” of The reason He came!

John 2:19-22

John 3:14

John 7:6, 8, 30; 8:20; 12:23

John 7:33-36

John 8:21

John 10:11, 15

John 12:7

John 15:24-25

Upper Room Discourse

Jesus as the Isaiah Suffering Servant

A. Mark 10:45 = Matt 20:28

B. Luke 22:37

C. Mark 9:12

D. Mark 2:19-20

Mat 27:63 and said, **“Sir, we remember how that impostor said, while he was still alive, ‘After three days I will rise.’**

Mat 17:23 “and they will kill him, and he will be raised on the third day.” And **they were greatly distressed.**

Mat 20:28 “even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

Mar 9:32 But **they did not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him.**

Mar 9:33 And **they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you discussing on the way?”**

Mar 9:34 **But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest.**

Mar 10:32 And they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them. And they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. And taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him,

Mar 10:33 saying, “See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and **the Son of Man will be delivered** over to the chief priests and the scribes, and **they will condemn him to death** and **deliver him over to the Gentiles.**

Mar 10:34 “And **they will mock him and spit on him, and flog him and kill him. And after three days he will rise.**”

Mar 10:35 And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.”

Mar 10:36 And he said to them, “What do you want me to do for you?”

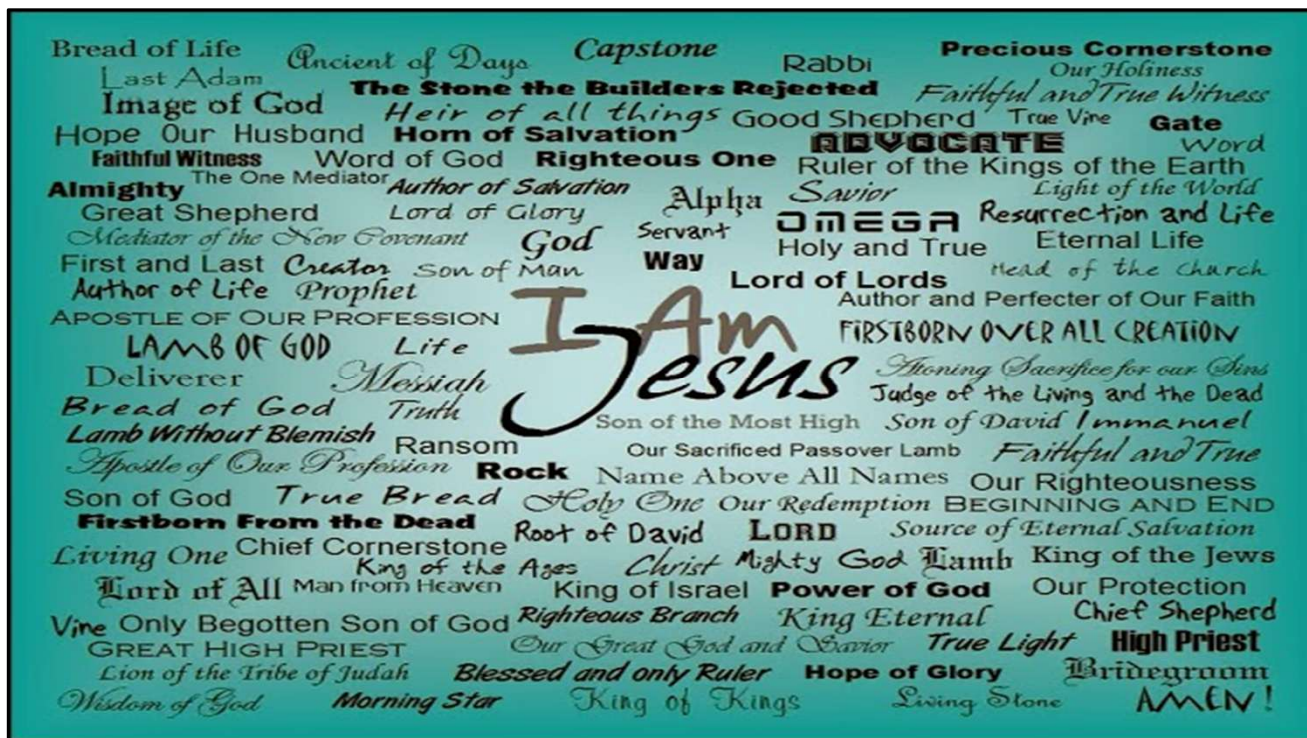
Mar 10:37 And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.”

Mar 10:38 Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?”

Luk 24:25 And he said to them, “O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken!

Luk 24:26 “Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?”

Luk 24:27 And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.



say

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λέγουσιν λέγω legō

that I am?"

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εἶναι εἰμί eimi

Ego eimi "I Am"

[Rev 19:12 ESV] 12 His eyes are like a flame of fire, and on his head are many diadems, and he has a name written that no one knows but himself.

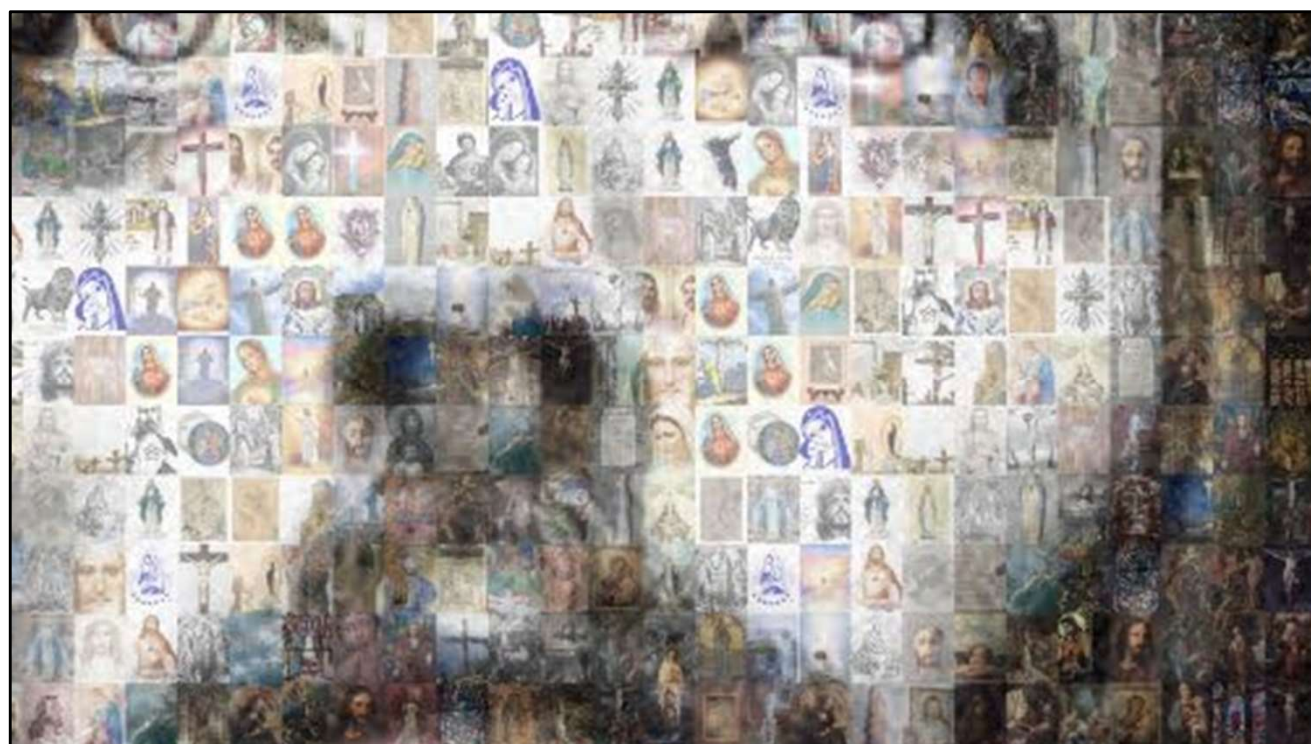
Who do I say Jesus is?

- He is fulfiller of promises! Impeccable character!
- He is Yahweh, there are NO other gods/idols
- He is LORD over my 'Pan'ic/Fears!
- He is LORD over the gates of Hell/death! Devil!
- Luke 6:46 – “Why do you call me ‘Lord, Lord’ and not do what I tell you?” – Matthew 7:21-22



[Mat 7:21-22 ESV] 21 "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. 22 On that day many will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?'

[Luk 6:46 ESV] 46 "Why do you call me 'Lord, Lord,' and not do what I tell you?



You can't pick up your cross until...

- Mark 8:34 – “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.”
- Mark 8:35 – For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it
- Mark 8:36 – For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul?

You can't pick up your cross until...You Lay down your Will!

[Phl 3:8, 13-14 ESV] 8 Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ... 13 Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, 14 I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.





THE SANCTUARY OF PAN

The conquests of Alexander the Great (3rd c. BCE) brought the Greeks to the East, and to Banyas. The Greeks were taken by the natural beauty of the site, touched particularly by the cave in which the springs welled. It is no wonder that they, cancelled this cave, dedicating it to Pan, god of the forest and the shepherds. Thus came the name Banyas, later becoming "Banyas" in Arabic pronunciation. Towards the end of the first century BCE, the Romans incorporated Banyas into Herod's empire. To allow his eldest, Herod built a temple near the Banyas springs and named it for the Roman emperor Augustus. Herod's son, Philip, established the rest of his rule here, calling the town Caesarea Philippi. However, the name Banyas caught on and Banyas it remains until today.

The sanctuary is located on an elevated terrace above the Banyas springs, enclosed on three sides by cliff walls. The Pan cave was special, due to the deep natural chasm in the floor, which led to ground water. Animal sacrifices were thrown into this chasm. During the Roman period, beginning from the first century BCE, temples with statues, including the temple of Augustus, as well as rock-carved niches and Greek inscriptions, appeared. These indicated worship of other gods in addition to Pan. The sanctuary continued its pagan activity well into the age of Christianity in the Byzantine era (4th to 6th c. CE), but in time, the temples near the cave were neglected or ruined. The date and circumstances of the sanctuary's destruction are not known.

The archaeological excavations conducted here by the Israel Antiquities Authority, under the direction of Dr. Zvi Uziel, exposed the remains of temples and cult-courts, sculptures, altars and inscriptions. These findings indicate the performance of sacrificial rites and the bringing of offerings - mostly food, ceramic and glass vessels, altars and statues - to Pan and the Nymphs, as well as to other Greek gods such as Zeus, Aesculapius, Athena, Hera, Aphrodite, Artemis, Dionysus and Ares.

At the eastern end of the sanctuary, near the "Sacred Forest", two sanctuaries, associated with a unique cult of dancing goats were exposed. One was their place of exhibition; the other, their burial site. According to Pausanias, city coins, at the foot of the sanctuary there was a sacred pond, semicircular shape surrounded by a colonnade, where spring water collected. The pool served as the congregation place for worshippers and the location for the annual Pan festival. The integration of sacred architecture in the scenery of springs, mountains, forest and natural caves here is singular in the Near East and perhaps in the entire Greco-Roman world.



ARTIST IMPRESSION OF THE SANCTUARY OF PAN

- LEGEND
- 1 THE TEMPLE OF AUGUSTUS
 - 2 THE GROTTO OF THE GOD PAN
 - 3 THE COURT OF PAN & THE NYMPHS
 - 4 THE TEMPLE OF ZEUS
 - 5 THE COURT OF NEMESIS
 - 6 THE TOMB TEMPLE OF THE SACRED GOATS
 - 7 THE TEMPLE OF PAN & THE DANCING GOATS



הצעת שיחזור למתחם המקודש לאל פאן

- מקרא
- 1 מקדש אוגוסטוס
 - 2 מרת האל פאן
 - 3 רחבת האל פאן והנימפות
 - 4 מקדש זאוס
 - 5 חצר נמיסוס
 - 6 מקדש קבר העינים הקדושות
 - 7 מקדש פאן והנימפות המקודש

המתחם המקודש לאל פאן

כיבושיו של אלכסנדר הגדול בתחילת המאה ה-3 לפנה"ס הביאו את הנשים אל המקדש והן מייצגות בנבואה השונים הרומנים מימי המלך המבוקש במסגרת המעורבות הממלכתית. במקום המוקדש לאל פאן, אל היער והיערות, המעיינות, אין מלא כי הקדוש מערה זו לאל פאן, אל היער והיערות, מכאן גם שמו של המקום - פאניאס. נבואה על פי המיתוס הערבי, כשאלו המאמץ ה-1 לפנה"ס ציפו ברחובות את אזור הנבואה למעמדת של הרודוס. כמות מקדש הקדוש הרודוס מקדש על פי מיעינות הנבואה של שם הקדוש הרומאי אוגוסטוס, בנו של הרודוס, פיליפוס, יוסף בן המעיינות את בית מלכותו וקיסרית פיליפוס (שנת 2 לפנה"ס). זהו שמה הרומי של העיר, אולם השם פאניאס התקבל לרבות שמו בפי כל עד היום.

המתחם המקדש לאל פאן משתרע על חזרה מוגנת מעל מיעינות הנבואה ואת מקדש המקדש סלע מושלש ערים בקצהו ומצוא קשרה הרחוק לאל פאן. ההתייחסות בקטעו טבעי נעמק ברצפת אשר מוליך אל מן חתום אל קדש זה והוא למעלה נרצבת בעל חיים.

לפחות פאן ביעינות הפסח בתחומה המזרחי והחל מהמאה ה-1 לפנה"ס, וכן מקדשים עם פסלים, בהם מקדש אוגוסטוס המוקדש למערה, וכן נחמדות מעוטות וכתובות ביוונית תצוגות. סלע כל אלה מצביעים על מלחמות עם אלים אחרים אשר הופתחו הסכנה השנייה לפעול גם אחרי הכיבוש המלכותי לרוב התחבורה בתחומה המקדשים של המערה או בהרס ופסגות חורבנו של האתר מועד החורבן אינם ידועים.

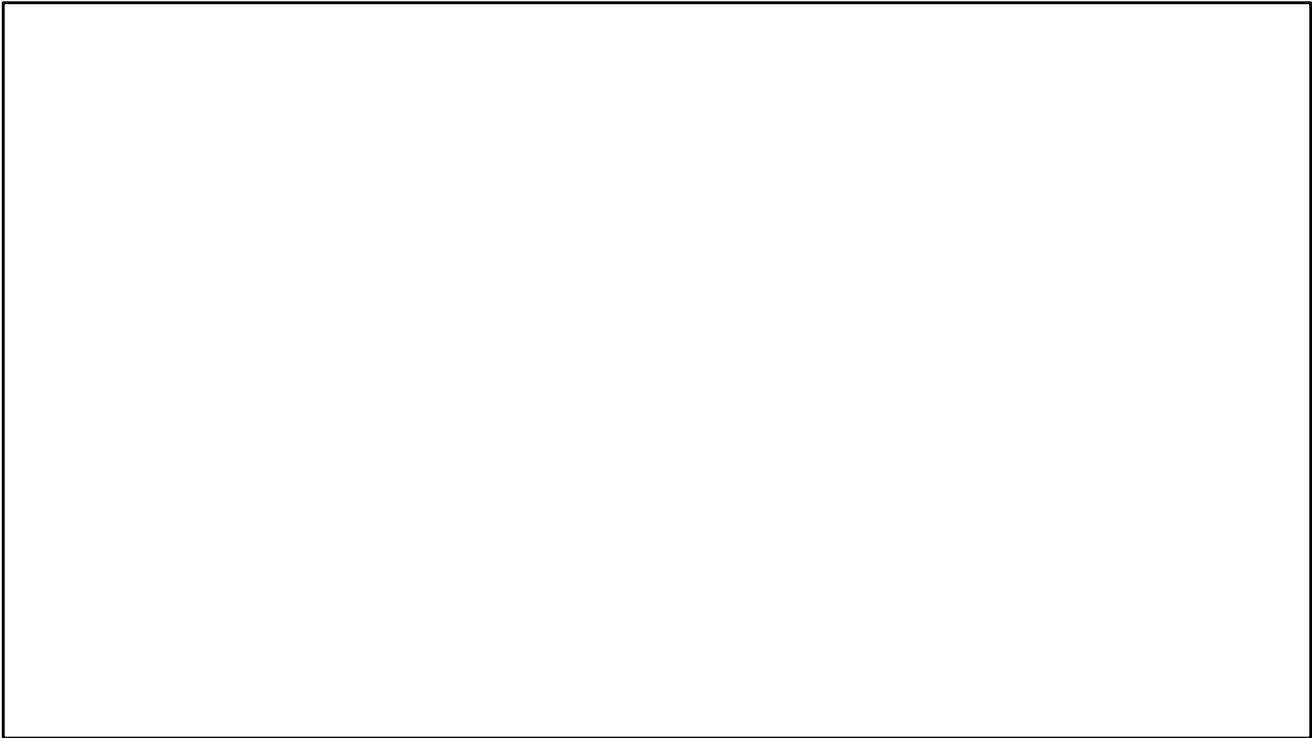
במסגרת המערה של האתר, על "היער הקדוש", נחשפו שני מקדשים בסיסית באורחאמצות ששוכנו באחד מהטעם ושני המקדשים חצויות מולות חלקי פסלים, וכתובות וכלי חרס. ממצאים אלה מרמזים על הקרבה קרבתו של האתר מעמדות, בעיקר מן חצי הים, מכתובות ומסלולים בתחומה שניו לראש, ליישוב הרועי ואלים אחרים, בהם זאוס, אסקלפיוס, אתונה, הרה, אפודיטיס, ארמיס ודיוניסיוס וארס.

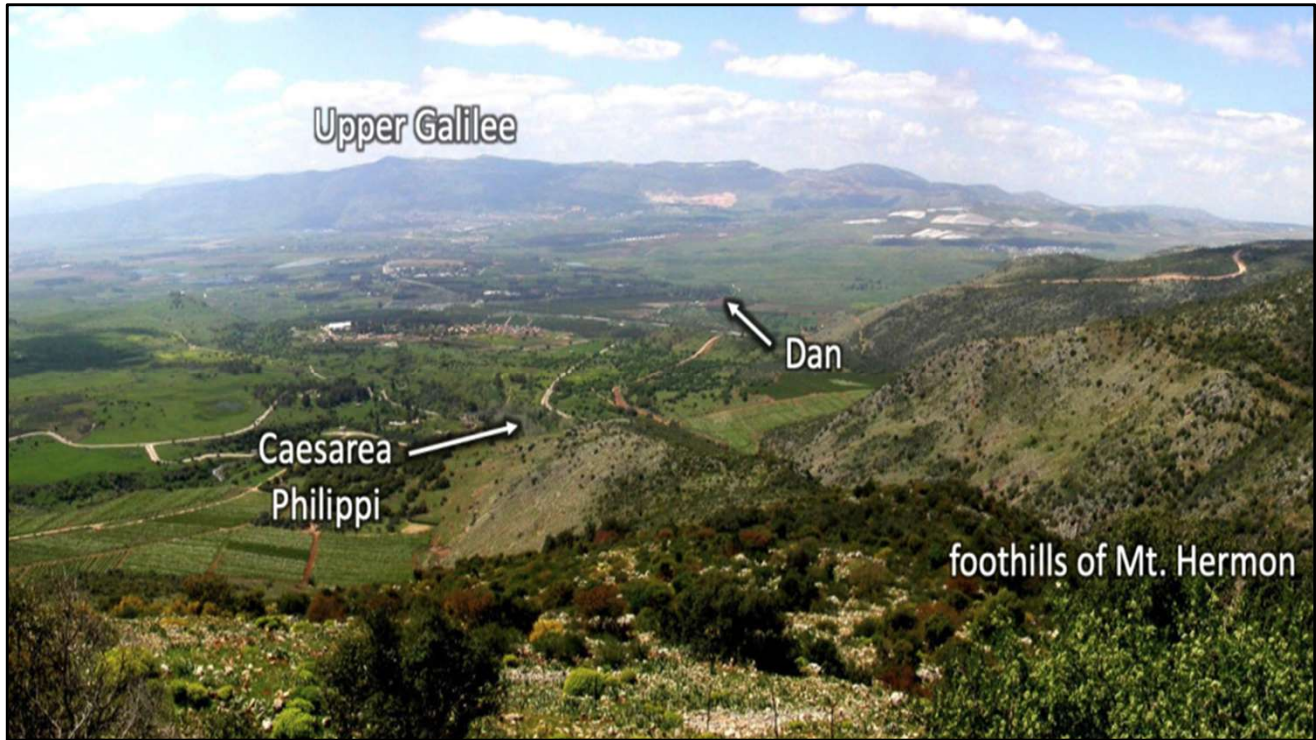
בנקודה המזרחית של האתר, על "היער הקדוש", נחשפו שני מקדשים הקשורים במלכות יוסף מייסד של עינים הקדושות. האחד הוא מקדש משכן של העינים והשני - מקדש קברות.

לפי תיאורים על מכתובות העיר הרומית פאניאס, הייתה לדגלי האתר ברכ מקדושת בצורת חצי עיור, מוקפת שני עמודים, אל ברכה זו נקו מן המעיינות ונקרבה בתחומה באי ומקדשים לחניה השתלבו לאל פאן.

השתלבו של אדריכלות דתית בנוף של מעיינות, הר, יער ומערה הוא יחיד במינו במרחב התוכני ואולי בעולם היווני-הרומי כולו.





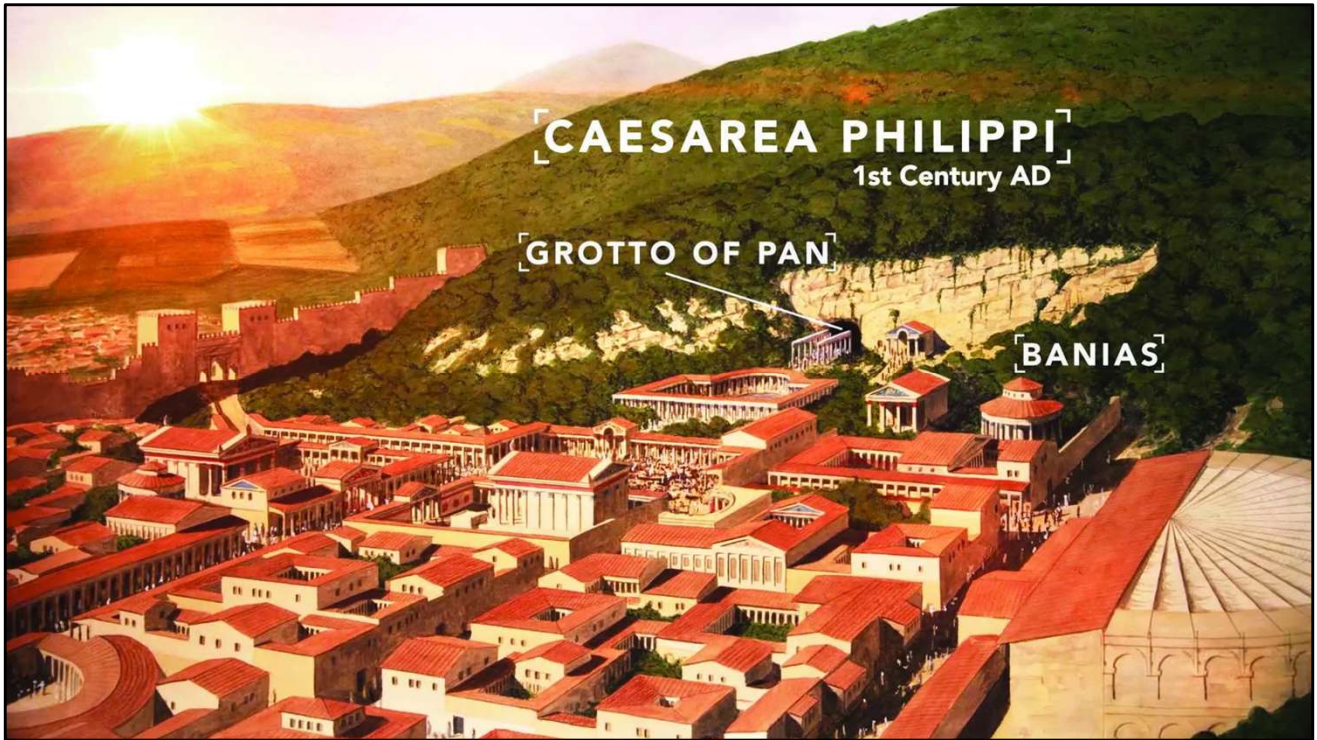


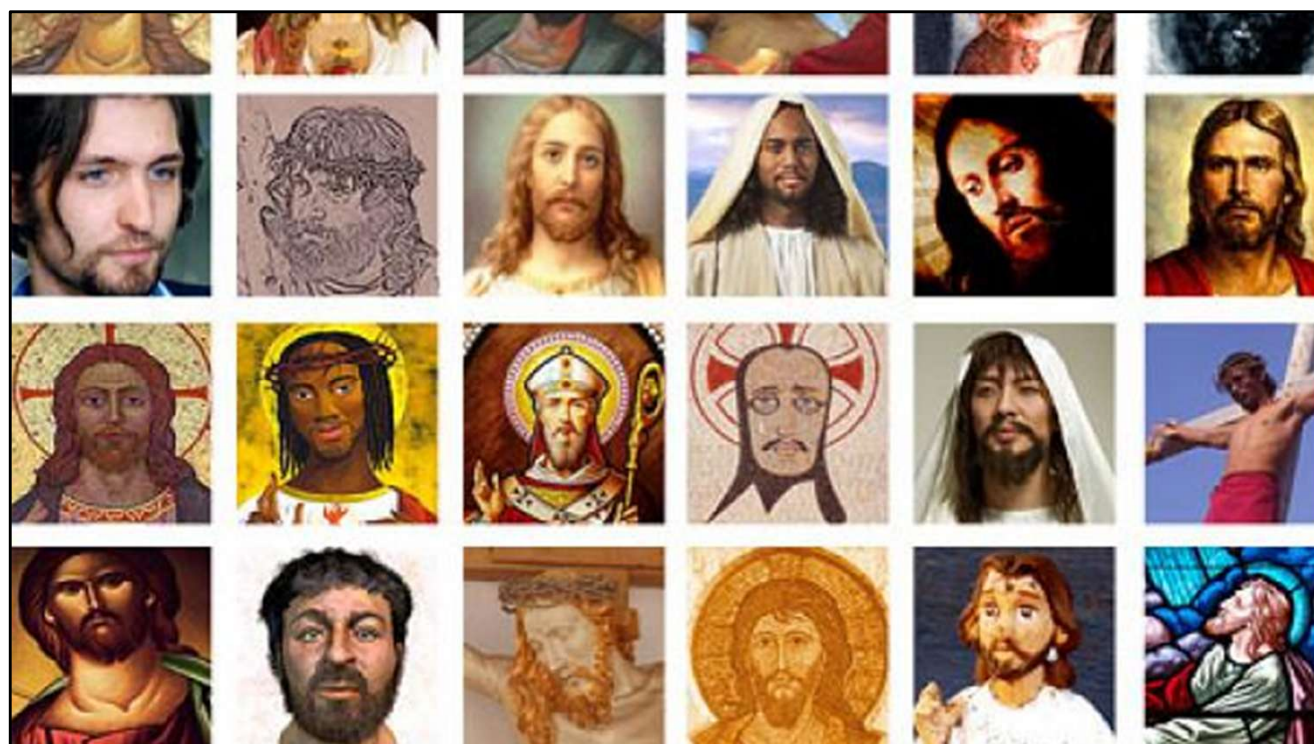
Saar Falls, a series of impressive waterfalls, especially in the winter rainy season.

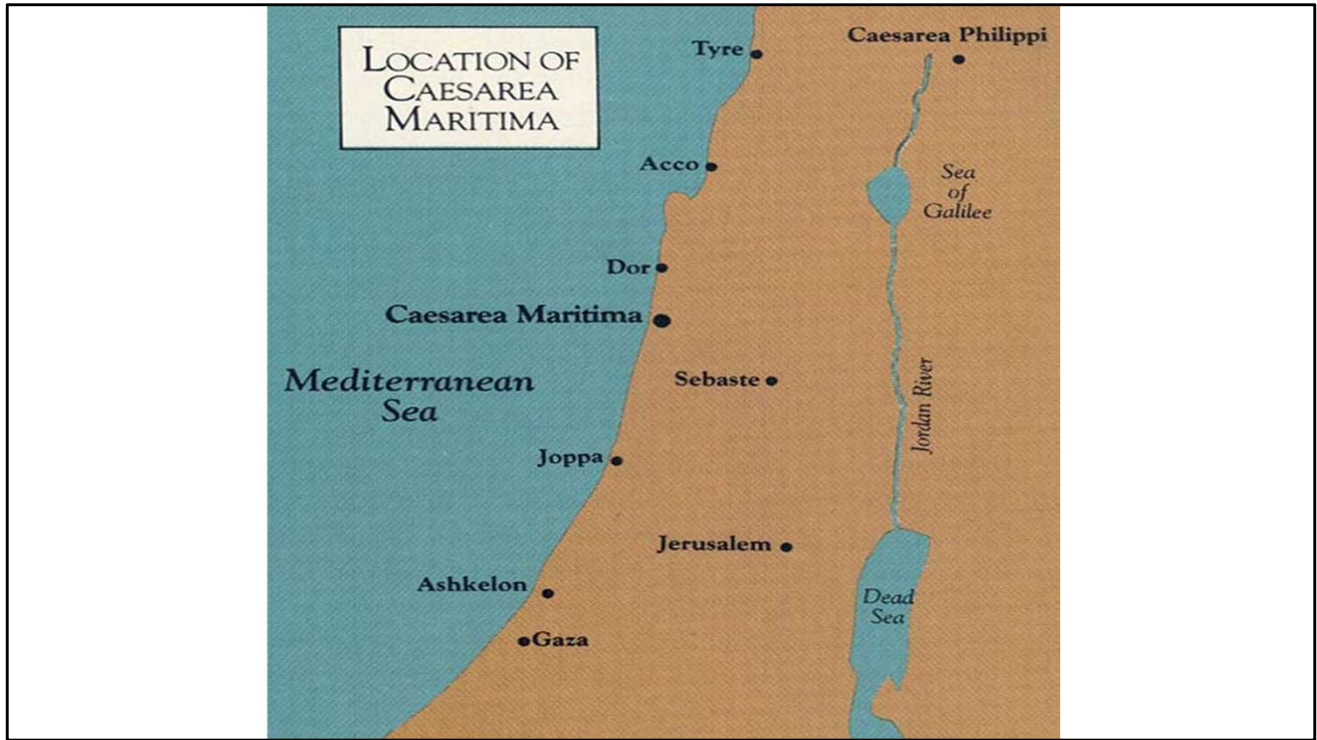
Nahal Hebrew word for IDF fighting youth

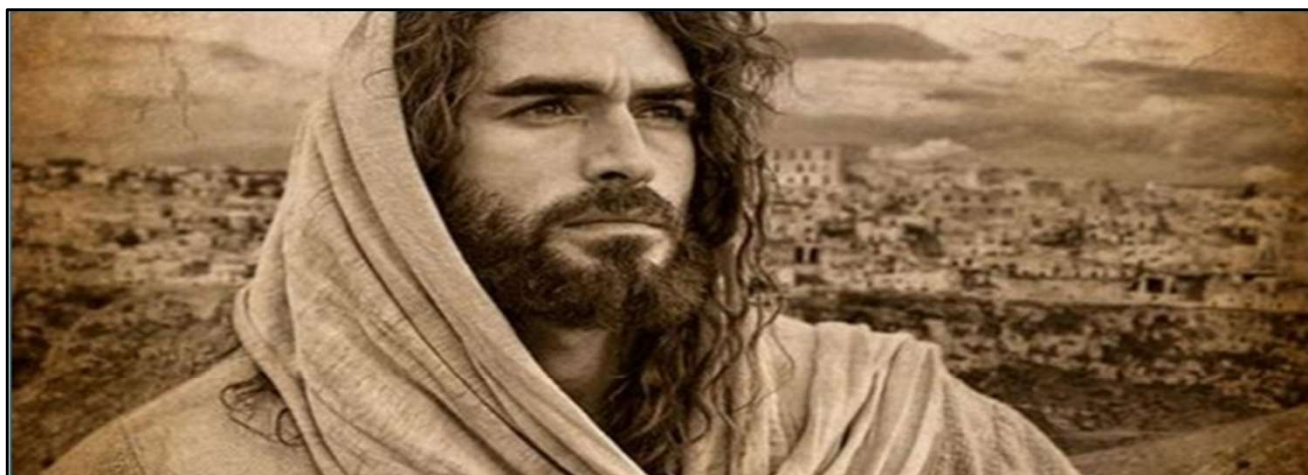
[Nahal Saar](#) (Saar Stream) is a stream and popular hiking area in the northern Golan Heights, Israel, famous for the scenic **Saar Falls**, which cascade in multiple stages during winter. It acts as a geological divider between the basalt plateau of the Golan and the limestone Mount Hermon.











Sunday, Pastor Phil continues his Series, "We Believe!" by exploring eternity's most critical question posed by the One who asked: **"Who do you say that I am?"** It's one thing believing the right answer - but do you really **know** He who is the Answer? Your response will make the Difference for Today and all your Tomorrows as you decide if He is...

"Líar, Lunatic, or Lord?"

