

Lesson 3: The Birth and Childhood of Jesus

Luke 2

The Gospel According to LUKE

19:10 "for the Son of Man has
come to seek and to save
that which was lost."

of the priesthood, to enter the sanctuary of
the Lord and offer incense. ¹⁰Now at the
time of the incense offering, the whole as-
sembly of the people was praying out-
side. ¹¹Then there appeared to him an angel
of the Lord, standing at the right side of
the altar of incense.

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Parallels Between John and Jesus

(IVP Dictionary of Jesus and the Gospels – The Gospel of Luke)

John	Event	Jesus
Luke 1:5-7	Parents are introduced	Luke 1:26-27
Luke 1:8-23	Birth is announced	Luke 1:28-38
Luke 1:24-25	Mothers respond	Luke 1:39-56
Luke 1:57-58	A child is born	Luke 2:1-20
Luke 1:59-66	A child is circumcised and named	Luke 2:21-24
Luke 1:67-79	A prophetic response	Luke 2:25-39
Luke 1:80	The child grows	Luke 2:40-52

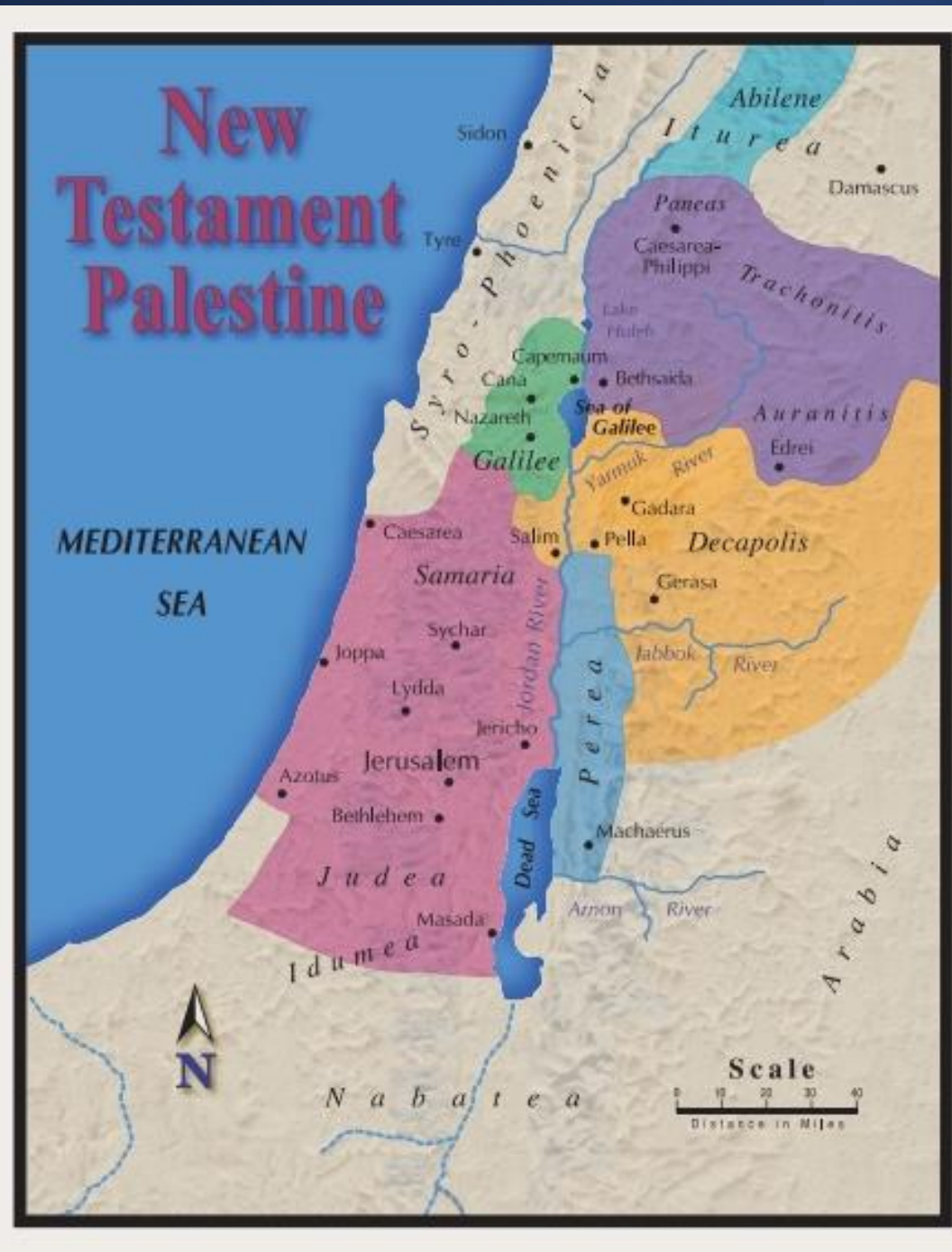
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- Journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem
- Arrival in Bethlehem and no room in the inn
- Greek word translated for inn is katalyma – also translated as guestroom in [Mark 14:14](#) and [Luke 22:11](#)
- The birth of Jesus, the Messiah (v7)
- Fulfillment of 3 prophecies

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The Visit of the Shepherds (2:8-20)

- The announcement by the angel of “good tidings” (v10-11)
- The sign to the shepherds (v12)
- The shepherds meet Jesus and their response (v17 & 20)

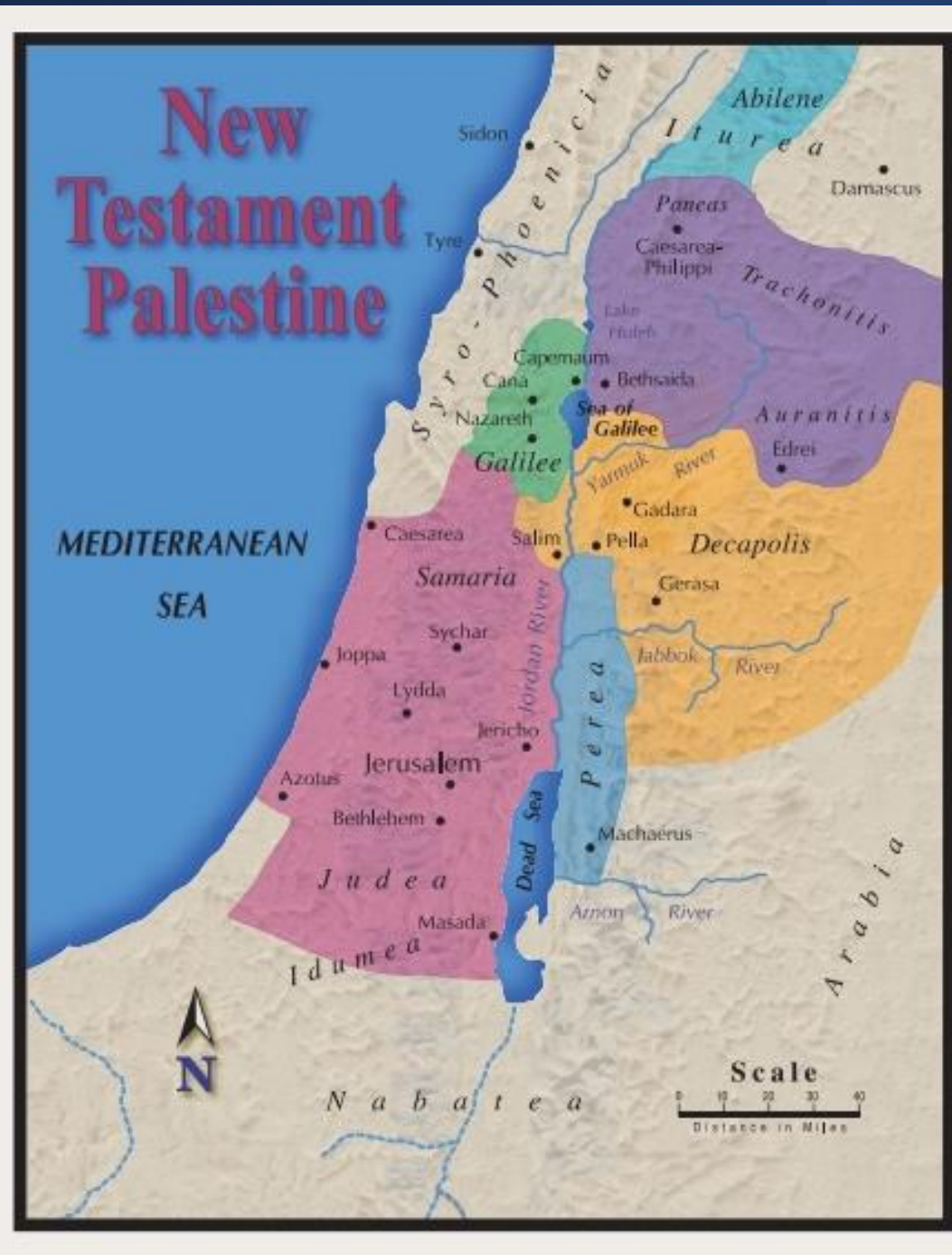
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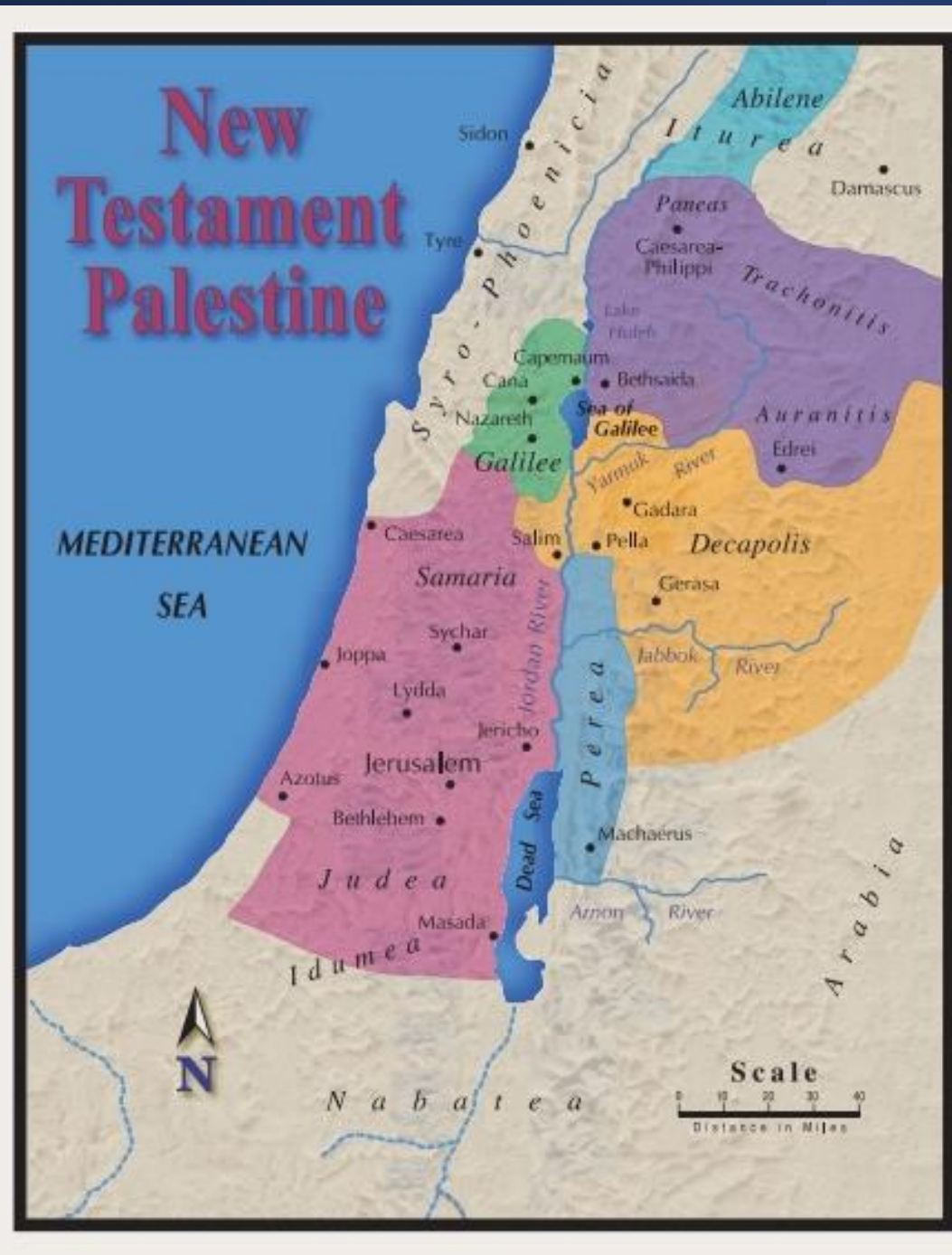
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- Simeon's confirmation of Jesus as the Christ (v26)
- Anna's thanksgiving to God (v38)
- Journey back to Nazareth? (v39)

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Jesus' Observance of the Passover at 12 years old (2:41-50)

- Only recorded event of Jesus between infant and ministry around age of 30
- Annual journey to Jerusalem to observe the Passover (v41-42)
- Jesus is left behind
- Jesus' response, "Why did you seek Me? Did you not know that I must be about My Father's business?" (v49)

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Conclusion (2:51-52)

- Traveled back to Nazareth
- Jesus subjected Himself to His parents (v51)
- Jesus increased in wisdom, stature, and in favor with God and Man (v52)