

Treasure Hunt

- What two themes from earlier chapters is Matthew repeatedly emphasizing in ch. 14-16?
- Give four reasons that may have motivated the Lord to withdraw into the countryside.
- What two emotional responses might the Lord have had to the multitudes who pursued him?
- How is the Lord's behavior in v. 14 an example to us?
- Where do you think the disciples got the loaves and fishes? Why?
- What examples does the Lord give us in each of the boat rides for dealing with the weakness of our flesh?

The Proclamation of Jesus the King

Matthew: The Gospel of the Kingdom

1:1-4:16 The Person of Jesus the King

1:1 "The book of the Generation of Jesus Christ"

- 1:1-17 Genealogy
- 1:18-25 Birth
- 2:1-23 Recognition & Preservation
- 3:1-17 **Baptism**
- 4:1-11 **Temptation**
- 4:12-16 Move to Capernaum (transition)

4:17-16:20 The Proclamation of Jesus the King

4:17 "From that time Jesus began to preach, ..."

- 4:17-11:30 Call & Preparation of the Disciples
- 12:1-13:58 The Great Schism
- 14:1-16:20 Growing Opposition

16:21-28:20 The Passion of Jesus the King

16:21 "From that time forth began Jesus to shew unto his disciples, ..."

- 16:21-17:21 Principles of Discipleship
- 17:22-20:16 Life in the Kingdom
- 20:17-25:46 Controversy in Jerusalem
- 26:1-28:20 Death & Resurrection

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Calling	4:18-22 the Four	↕	9:36-10:4 the Twelve	↕	11:2-30 (28) all
Summary	4:23 teaching ... preaching ... healing	↕	9:35 teaching ... preaching ... healing	↕	11:1 teach ... preach
Training	ch. 5-7 Teaching	↕	ch. 8-9 Healing	↕	10:5-42 Preaching

12:1-13:58 The Great Schism

	Ch. 12	Ch. 13
Public Rejection	1-45, the Pharisees reject the Lord	1-52, the Lord rejects unbelievers (by hiding his teaching in parables)
Private Rejection	46-50, the Lord rejects his family	53-58, his home town rejects the Lord

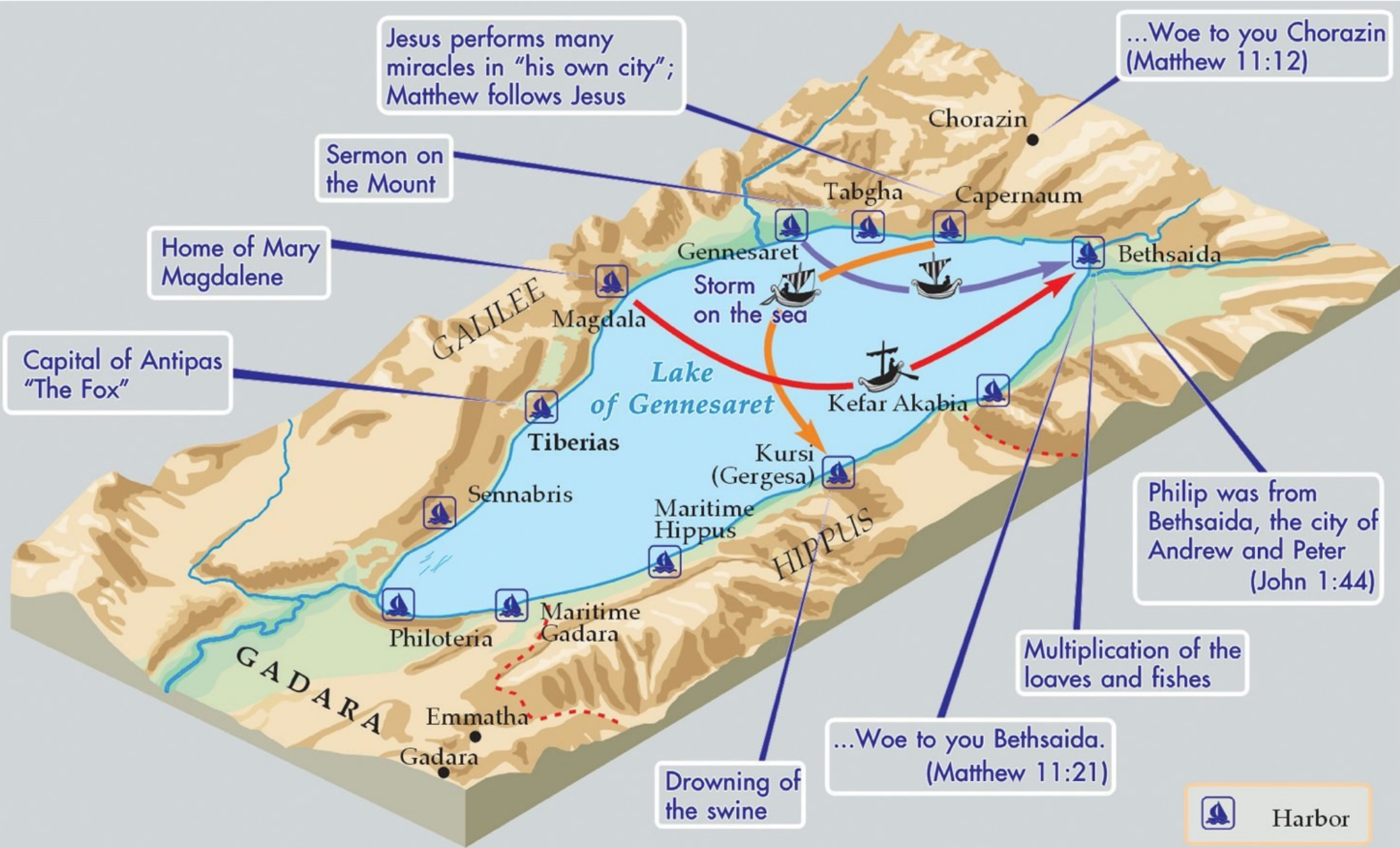
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- 14:1-12 **King Herod kills the Baptist**
- **14:13-36 Miracles**
- **15:1-28 Pharisaic Rejection**
- **15:29-39 Miracles**
- **16:1-12 Pharisaic Rejection**
- 16:13-20 **Peter confesses King Jesus**

14:13-36 and ch. 8-9

14:13 the people followed him	8:1 great multitudes followed him
14:14 moved with compassion	9:36 when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion
14:14 healed their sick	(all of ch. 8-9)
14:15-21 fed the multitudes	9:10-17 dining with publicans and sinners
14:22-33 delivered the disciples' boat, stilling a storm	8:23-27 stilled the storm
14:35 they brought unto him all that were diseased	8:16; 9:2, 32 they brought unto him those needing help

Locations around Galilee



https://abramkj.files.wordpress.com/2014/07/ch-22_lake-of-gennesaret.png , from Rainey and Notley, *The Sacred Bridge*, Carta, 2006, p. 354

14:13, Why the Countryside?

Prayer?

Mar 1:35 And in the morning, rising up a great while before day, he went out, and departed into a **solitary place ερημος τοπος**, and there prayed.

Rest?

Mar 6:31 And he said unto them, Come ye yourselves apart into a **desert place ερημος τοπος**, and **rest** a while: for there were many coming and going, and they had no leisure so much as to eat.

Security? (Bethsaida is on the other side of Jordan, in the territory of Philip II and not Antipas)

Recollection?

Mat 3:1 In those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the **wilderness ερημος** of Judaea, 2 And saying, Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. 3 For this is he that was spoken of by the prophet Esaias, saying, The voice of one crying in the **wilderness ερημος**, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.

Mat 11:7 And as they departed, Jesus began to say unto the multitudes concerning John, What went ye out into the **wilderness ερημος** to see?

The Multitudes

1Ki 19:18 Yet I have left *me* seven thousand in Israel, all the knees which have not bowed unto Baal, and every mouth which hath not kissed him.

Mat 12:14 Then the Pharisees went out, and held a council against him, how they might destroy him. 15 But when Jesus knew *it*, he withdrew himself from thence: and **great multitudes** followed him, and he healed them all;

Mat 9:36 But when he saw the **multitudes**, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd.

2Ki 4:42 And there came a man from Baalshalisha, and brought the man of God bread of the firstfruits, twenty loaves of barley, and full ears of corn in the husk thereof. And he said, Give unto the people, that they may eat. 43 And his servitor said, What, should I set this before an hundred men? He said again, Give the people, that they may eat: for thus saith the LORD, They shall eat, and shall leave *thereof*. 44 So he set *it* before them, and they did eat, and left *thereof*, according to the word of the LORD.

Comparing Two Storms

	8:23-27	14:22-33
Destination	28 And when he was come to the other side into the country of the Gergesenes [to the east]	34 And when they were gone over, they came into the land of Gennesaret [to the west]
Lord's location	23 And when he was entered into a ship, his disciples followed him . 24 ... he was asleep .	Mat 14:23 he went up into a mountain apart to pray:
Initiative	25 And his disciples came to <i>him</i> , and awoke him, saying, Lord, save us: we perish.	25 And in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went unto them , walking on the sea.
Distinguished disciple	None	28 And Peter answered him and said, Lord, if it be thou, bid me come unto thee on the water.
Lack of faith	26 Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith? (to them all)	31 O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt? (to Peter)
How storm ended	26 Then he arose, and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a great calm.	32 And when they were come into the ship , the wind ceased.
Response	2 But the men marvelled , saying, What manner of man is this	33 Then they that were in the ship came and worshipped him, saying, Of a truth thou art the Son of God .

22-23, Dealing with Popularity

v. 22 constrained =
αναγκάζω “force, compel”

Joh 6:14 Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Jesus did, said, This is of a truth that prophet that should come into the world.

15 When Jesus therefore perceived that they would come and take him by force, to make him a king, he departed again into a mountain himself alone.

Mat 26:41 Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation:

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