

Treasure Hunt

- With what OT character is Matthew comparing our Lord with the frequent references to his going up into a mountain?
- What is different about our Lord's ascents and those of this OT character?
- What event in ch. 4-11 anticipates the feedings in ch. 14 and 15, and what theme does it share with them besides food?
- Compare and contrast the setting of the disciples' question (15:33) with its OT parallel.
- What is significant about the location of this feast in a mountain?
- Where does Mark suggest that these events took place?
- In that case, how does the Lord's departure here contrast with his earlier departure by boat from this region?

The Proclamation of Jesus the King

Matthew: The Gospel of the Kingdom

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

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

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

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

4:17-11:30 Call & Preparation of the Disciples

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

14:1-16:20 Growing Opposition

- 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**

Echoes of ch. 4-11 in 15:29-39

	15:29-39	ch. 4-11	ch. 14
Arrived by Sea of Galilee	29a		13a
Went up into a mountain	29a	5:1	23
Multitudes came	30a	4:25	13b
Healings	30b	4:24; 8:16; 8:28-32	14
Feeding	32-38	9:10	15-21
Westward boat ride away from the multitudes	22-34	8:34-9:1	39

Echoes in 15:29-31

15:29-39	ch. 4-11	ch. 14
And Jesus departed from thence , and came nigh unto the sea of Galilee;		13 When Jesus heard <i>of it</i> , he departed thence by ship into a desert place apart:
and went up into a mountain , and sat down there.	5:1 he went up into a mountain : and when he was set ,	
30 And great multitudes came unto him ,	4:25 And there followed him great multitudes of people from Galilee, and <i>from</i> Decapolis, and <i>from</i> Jerusalem, and <i>from</i> Judaea, and <i>from</i> beyond Jordan. 8:1 When he was come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed him . → healings, c. 8-9	and when the people had heard <i>thereof</i> , they followed him on foot out of the cities.
having with them <i>those that were lame, blind, dumb, maimed</i> , and many others, and cast them down at Jesus' feet; and he healed them:	4:24 and they brought unto him all sick people ...and he healed them. 8:16 ... they brought unto him many that were possessed with devils: and he cast out the spirits with <i>his</i> word, and healed all that were sick:	14 he healed their sick .
31 ... and they glorified the God of Israel .	8:28 And when he was come ... into the country of the Gergesenes , there met him two possessed with devils ... 32 And he said unto them, Go.	[Mark 7:31 he came unto the sea of Galilee, through the midst of the coasts of Decapolis .]

Going up into the mount...

Our Lord:

- Same expression: 5:1 (Sermon on the Mount); 14:23 (for prayer).
- Similar: temptation (4:8), transfiguration (17:1), Olivet discourse (24:3), final rendezvous (28:16).

Moses at Sinai:

- Initial ascent, Exod 19:3
- To receive the tables, Exod 24:12, 13, 15, 18; Deut 9:9
- For rewriting of the tables and the Lord's name, Exod 34:1, 4; Deut 10:1, 3

Common access?

Exo 19:12 And thou shalt set bounds unto the people round about, saying, Take heed to yourselves, *that ye **go not up into the mount***, or touch the border of it: whosoever toucheth the mount shall be surely put to death:

Psa 24:3 Who shall **ascend into the hill** of the LORD? or who shall stand in his holy place? 4 He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.

Isa 2:3 And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us **go up to the mountain** of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

The Lord feeds the hungry

ch. 4-11	ch. 14	15:29-39
<p>9:10 And it came to pass, as Jesus sat at meat in the house, behold, many publicans and sinners came and sat down with him and his disciples.</p>	<p>15 And when it was evening, his disciples came to him, saying, This is a desert place, and the time is now past; send the multitude away, that they may go into the villages, and buy themselves victuals.</p>	<p>32 Then Jesus called his disciples unto him, and said, I have compassion on the multitude, because they continue with me now three days, and have nothing to eat: and I will not send them away fasting,</p>
	<p>17 And they say unto him, We have here but five loaves, and two fishes.</p>	<p>34 And Jesus saith unto them, How many loaves have ye? And they said, Seven, and a few little fishes.</p>
	<p>19 And he commanded the multitude to sit down on the grass, and took the five loaves, and the two fishes, and looking up to heaven, he blessed, and brake, and gave the loaves to <i>his</i> disciples, and the disciples to the multitude. 20 And they did all eat, and were filled: and they took up of the fragments that remained twelve baskets full. 21 And they that had eaten were about five thousand men, beside women and children.</p>	<p>35 And he commanded the multitude to sit down on the ground. 36 And he took the seven loaves and the fishes, and gave thanks, and brake <i>them</i>, and gave to his disciples, and the disciples to the multitude. 37 And they did all eat, and were filled: and they took up of the broken <i>meat</i> that was left seven baskets full. 38 And they that did eat were four thousand men, beside women and children.</p>

15:33, the disciples' question

Num 11:13 **Whence should I have flesh to give unto all this people?** for they weep unto me, saying, Give us flesh, that we may eat. ... 16 And the LORD said unto Moses, ... 18 ... say thou unto the people, Sanctify yourselves against to morrow, and ye shall eat flesh: for ye have wept in the ears of the LORD, saying, Who shall give us flesh to eat? ... 21 And Moses said, The people, among whom I *am*, *are* six hundred thousand footmen; and thou hast said, I will give them flesh, that they may eat a whole month. 22 Shall the flocks and the herds be slain for them, to suffice them? or shall all the fish of the sea be gathered together for them, to suffice them?

Matthew 15	Numbers 11
Multitude (patiently waiting on the Lord)	Children of Israel (complaining)
Disciples (asking where to get bread)	Moses (asking where to get food)
The Lord Jesus (promising bread)	The Lord God (promising meat)

Feasts in Mountains

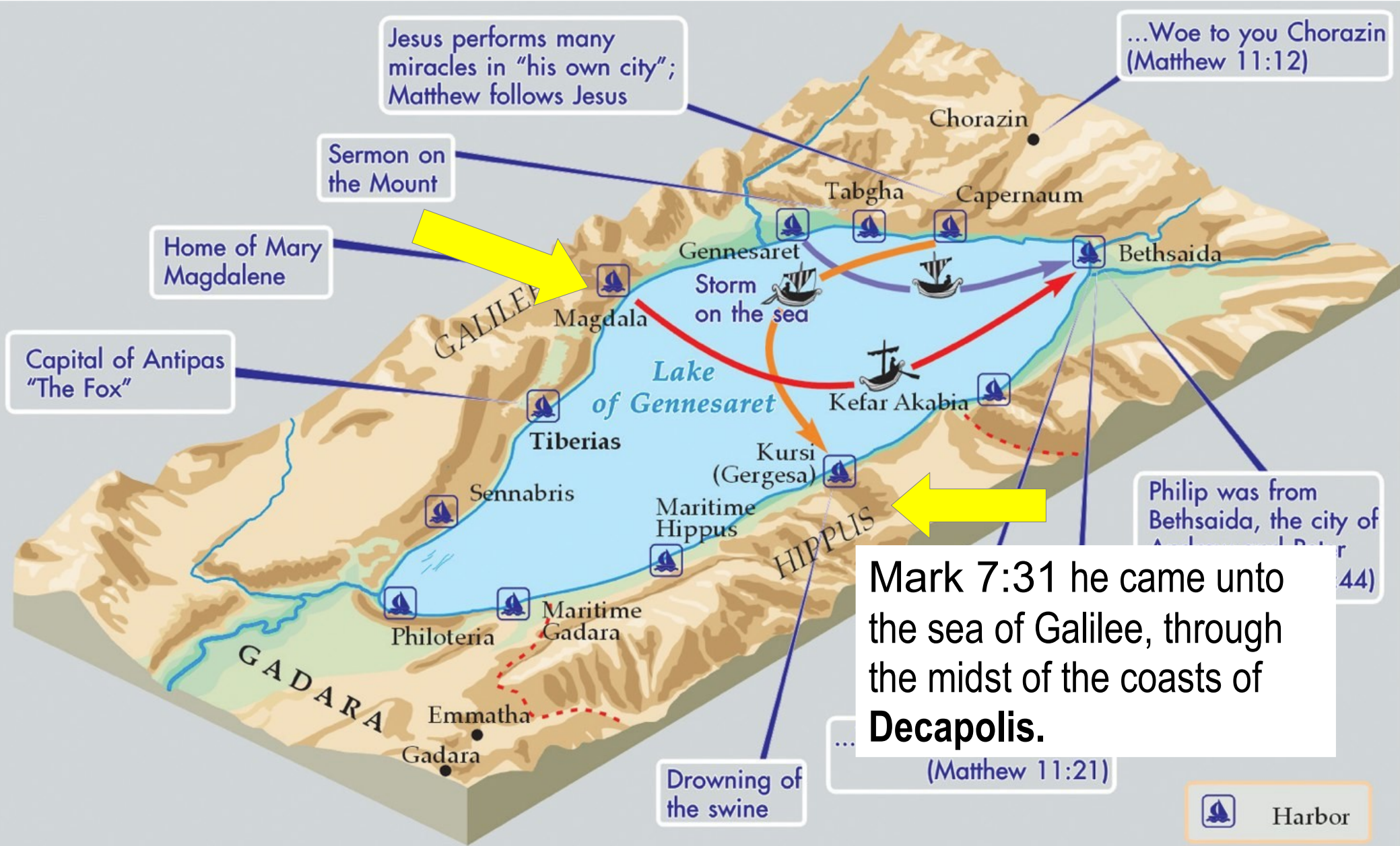
Isa 25:6 And **in this mountain** shall the LORD of hosts make unto all people[s] a feast of fat things, a feast of wines on the lees, of fat things full of marrow, of wines on the lees well refined.

Exo 24:1 And [the Lord] said unto Moses, **Come up** unto the LORD, thou, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel; and worship ye afar off. 2 And Moses alone shall come near the LORD: but they shall not come nigh; neither shall the people go up with him. ... 9 Then **went up** Moses, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel: 10 And they saw the God of Israel: and *there was* under his feet as it were a paved work of a sapphire stone, and as it were the body of heaven in *his* clearness. 11 And upon the nobles of the children of Israel he laid not his hand: also they saw God, and did eat and drink. 12 And the LORD said unto Moses, Come up to me into the mount, and be there: and I will give thee tables of stone, and a law, and commandments which I have written; that thou mayest teach them.

Final Boat Ride

15:29-39	ch. 4-11	ch. 14
<p>39 And he sent away the multitude, and took ship, and came into the coasts of Magdala.</p>	<p>8:34 And, behold, the whole city came out to meet Jesus: and when they saw him, they besought him that he would depart out of their coasts. 9:1 And he entered into a ship, and passed over, and came into his own city.</p>	<p>22 And straightway Jesus constrained his disciples to get into a ship, and to go before him unto the other side, while he sent the multitudes away. ... 34 And when they were gone over, they came into the land of Gennesaret.</p>

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