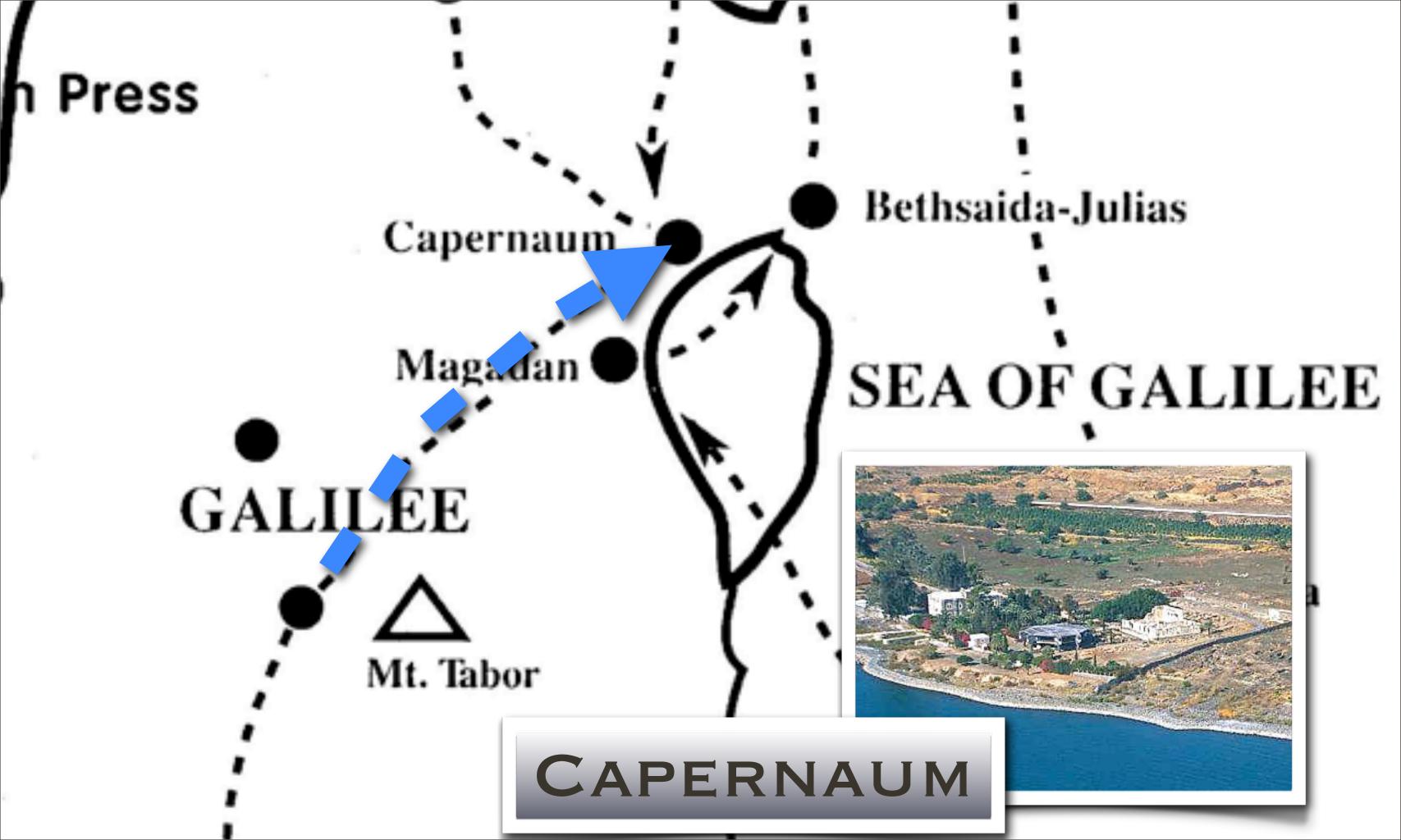
5-7 AFTER A BREAK

- "AT THE SAME TIME..."
- MAT WHAT TIME?

- THE TRANSFIGURATION
- CAST A DEMON OUT OF A BOY
- PREDICTED HIS DEATH AND RESURRECTION
- TEMPLE TAX FROM THE FISH
- TO CAPERNAUM FROM GALILEE



- "WHO IS THE GREATEST IN THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN?"
- WHY THIS QUESTION?
 - "WHO IS GREATER? THE FATHER OR THE SON?"
 - IS THERE STILL A TY-MAN IN YOUR KINGDOM?

- WHAT WAS ON PETER'S MIND AT THE TRANSFIGURATION?
 - EXALTING JESUS, MOSES AND ELIJAH

WHAT WAS ON THE FATHER'S MIND AT THE TRANSFIGURATION?

EXALTING JESUS

MATTHEW 17:5-8

- MA DESIRE FOR POSITION
 - MARK 9:34, LUKE 9:48
 - THE DISCIPLES
 - **MATTHEW 20:20**
 - ZEBEDEE'S WIFE

- NOTES FROM VERSE 1:
- FRESH OFF A MOUNTAIN-TOP EXPERIENCE THE DISCIPLES WANTED:
 - TO CELEBRATE THEIR HEROS
 - TO CEMENT THEIR OWN POSITIONS

"... BUT THEY MEASURING
THEMSELVES BY THEMSELVES, AND
COMPARING THEMSELVES AMONG
THEMSELVES, ARE NOT WISE."

2 CORINTHIANS 10:10-13

JESUS HAD TO "PERCEIVE" THE THOUGHT OF THEIR HEART

LUKE 9:47

- "JESUS CALLED A LITTLE CHILD..."
 - THE CHILD WAS CLOSE ENOUGH TO CALL

JESUS ACCEPTED THE CHILDREN

BECAUSE "OF SUCH IS THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN"

"EXCEPT YE BE CONVERTED, AND BECOME AS LITTLE CHILDREN, YE SHALL NOT ENTER INTO THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN."

- "EXCEPT YE ... YE SHALL NOT ENTER INTO THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN."
- "BE CONVERTED, AND BECOME AS LITTLE CHILDREN"

THE "KINGDOM OF HEAVEN/GOD"

WHAT IS IT?

- WHERE WE'RE HEADED
 - KINGDOM OF HEAVEN = KINGDOM OF GOD
 - IT ALREADY EXISTED IN JESUS'
 TIME
 - IT REFERS FIRST OF ALL TO GOD'S AUTHORITY/REIGN

WHERE WE'RE NOT HEADED

DISCUSSION OF THE MILLENNIUM

- KINGDOM OF HEAVEN = KINGDOM OF GOD
 - "... HEAVEN" ONLY APPEARS IN MATTHEW
 - IDENTICAL STORIES IN THE SYNOPTIC GOSPELS USE "GOD"

WERILY I SAY UNTO YOU, AMONG THEM THAT ARE BORN OF WOMEN THERE HATH NOT RISEN A GREATER THAN JOHN THE BAPTIST: NOTWITHSTANDING HE THAT IS LEAST IN THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS GREATER THAN HE.

"FOR I SAY UNTO YOU, AMONG
THOSE THAT ARE BORN OF WOMEN
THERE IS NOT A GREATER PROPHET
THAN JOHN THE BAPTIST: BUT HE
THAT IS LEAST IN THE KINGDOM OF
GOD IS GREATER THAN HE."

LUKE 7:28

"ANOTHER PARABLE SPAKE HE UNTO THEM; THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS LIKE UNTO LEAVEN, WHICH A WOMAN TOOK, AND HID IN THREE MEASURES OF MEAL, TILL THE WHOLE WAS LEAVENED"

"AND AGAIN HE SAID, WHEREUNTO SHALL I LIKEN THE KINGDOM OF GOD? IT IS LIKE LEAVEN, WHICH A WOMAN TOOK AND HID IN THREE MEASURES OF MEAL, TILL THE WHOLE WAS LEAVENED."

LUKE 13:20-21

- WHY THE DIFFERENCE IN MATTHEW?
- 5 "KINGDOM OF GOD" IN MATTHEW

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EKINGDOM ALREADY EXISTED

- LUKE 23: 42-43
- **MARK 9:1**
- **LUKE 9:27**
- **LUKE 10:9-11**

- LUKE 11:20
- **LUKE 19:11-26**
- **LUKE 21:31**

- WHICH GOSPEL?
 - ""OF GOD"?
 - "'OF CHRIST"?
 - ""OF THE SON"?
 - "'OF THE KINGDOM"?

- WHICH GOSPEL?
 - "'OF THE GRACE OF GOD"?
 - "OF PEACE"?
 - "'OF THE CIRCUMCISION"?
 - "'OF THE UNCIRCUMCISION"?

- WHICH GOSPEL?
 - "'OF YOUR SALVATION"?
 - OR JUST "THE GOSPEL"?

- WHICH GOSPEL?
 - **MATTHEW 4:23**
 - MATTHEW 9:35
 - **MATTHEW 24:14**
 - **MARK 1:14**
 - **PACTS 20:24-25**

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- "BE CONVERTED, AND BECOME AS LITTLE CHILDREN"

- "EXCEPT YE ... YE SHALL NOT ENTER INTO THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN."
 - THEIR QUESTION PRESUMES THEIR KINGDOM STATUS
 - JESUS CALLS THEIR STATUS INTO QUESTION

- "BE CONVERTED, AND BECOME AS LITTLE CHILDREN"
 - BE CONVERTED
 - BECOME

- WHOSOEVER THEREFORE SHALL...
- ... HUMBLE HIMSELF AS THIS CHILD

- TAPEINO, {TAP-I-NO'-0}
- MEANING: 1) TO MAKE LOW, BRING LOW 1A) TO LEVEL, REDUCE TO A PLAIN 1B) METAPH. TO BRING INTO A HUMBLE CONDITION, REDUCE TO MEANER CIRCUMSTANCES 1B1) TO ASSIGN A LOWER RANK OR PLACE TO 1B2) TO ABASE 1B3) TO BE RANKED BELOW OTHERS WHO ARE HONOURED OR REWARDED 184) TO HUMBLE OR ABASE MYSELF BY HUMBLE LIVING 1c) TO LOWER, DEPRESS 1c1) OF ONE'S SOUL BRING DOWN ONE'S PRIDE 1C2) TO HAVE A MODEST OPINION OF ONE'S SELF 1C3) TO BEHAVE IN AN UNASSUMING MANNER 1C4) DEVOID OF ALL HAUGHTINESS

"HUMBLE" MATTHEW 18:4