## **Treasure Hunt**

- Why was it risky for the Lord to condemn divorce in "the coasts of Judaea beyond Jordan"?
- 19:3 says that the Pharisees "tempted" the Lord. What wrong thing did they try to make him do?
- What does it mean for a man and wife to be "one flesh"?
- Why is divorce wrong, according to v. 6?
- What is the difference between "command" in v. 7 and "suffered" in v. 8?
- How many commands did God give in Deut 24:1-4?

# Overview of Matthew

Gen 5:1 "This is the book of the generations of Adam"

Genealogy

### **Matthew: The Gospel of the Kingdom**

### 1:1-4:16 The Person of Jesus the Messiah

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 Messiah

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

- 4:18-11:30 Preparation of the Twelve
- 12:1-13:58 The Great Schism
- 14:1-16:20 Growing Opposition

### 16:21-28:20 The Passion of Jesus the Messiah

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

### **17:22-20:16 Life in the Kingdom**

17:22-18:35 Final Lessons in Galilee

17:22 while they abode in Galilee, Jesus said ...

**Private instruction** to the disciples

Common theme: offense to others

17:22-23 Second passion prediction

17:24-27 The disciple and the Temple

18:1-35 Relations with other disciples

### 19:1-20:16 Teaching by the way

19:1 Jesus ... departed from Galilee, and came into the coasts of Judaea beyond Jordan

Public instruction, involving the multitudes (v.2)

Common theme: ruling ourselves

19:3-12 Divorce: Lust of the Flesh

19:13-15 Little Children: Pride of Life

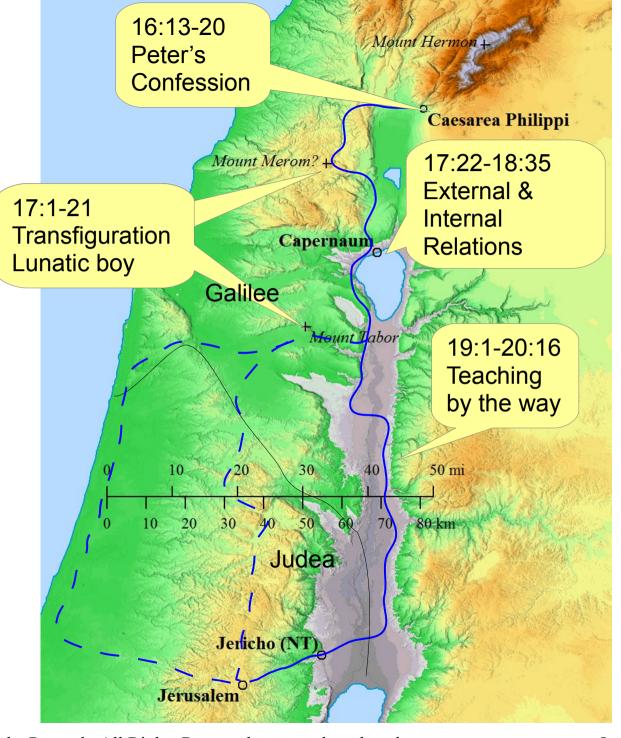
19:16-20:15 Riches: Lust of the Eyes

# Life in the Kingdom

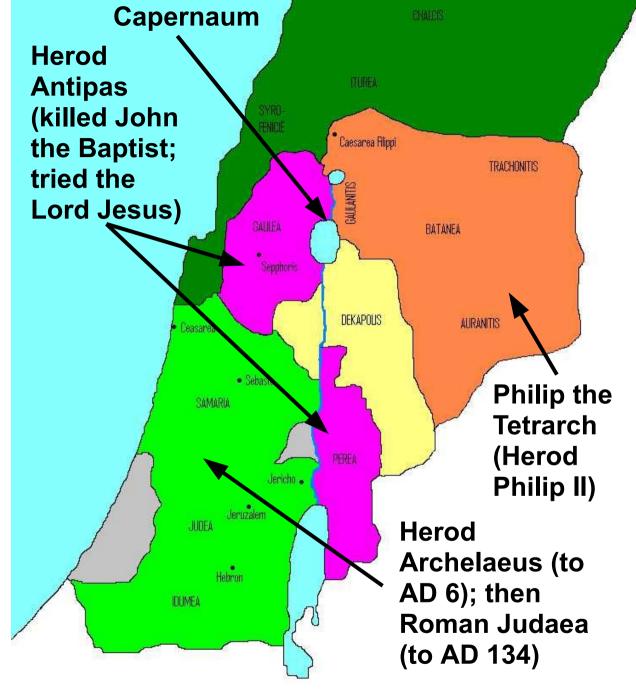
# Going up to Jerusalem

- Solid blue: actual route
- Left dashed line: Via Maris (Way of the Sea)
- Center dashed line: ridge route through Samaria

Luke 9:51 And it came to pass, when the time was come that he should be received up, he stedfastly set his face to go to Jerusalem, 52 And sent messengers before his face: and they went, and entered into a village of the Samaritans, to make ready for him. 53 And they did not receive him, because his face was as though he would go to Jerusalem.



# Divisions of Palestine 4 BC – AD 34



Map: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Herodian\_Tetrarchy#mediaviewer/File:Palestine\_after\_Herod.png

# Tempting the Lord to Take Sides

### Hillel vs. Shammai

Mat 19:3 The Pharisees also came unto him, tempting him, and saying unto him, Is it lawful for a man to put away his wife for every cause?

### Pharisees vs. Sadducees

Joh 3:1 There was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews: 2 The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him.

#### Zealots vs. Herodians

Mat 22:15 Then went the Pharisees, and took counsel how they might entangle him in *his* talk. 16 And they sent out unto him their disciples with the Herodians, saying, Master, we know that thou art true, and teachest the way of God in truth, neither carest thou for any *man*: for thou regardest not the person of men. 17 Tell us therefore, What thinkest thou? Is it lawful to give tribute unto Caesar, or not?

### One Flesh

Gen 2:21 And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof; 22 And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man. 23 And Adam said, **This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh**: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man. 24 Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be **one flesh**.

Gen 29:14 And Laban said to him, Surely **thou** *art* **my bone** and **my flesh**. And he abode with him the space of a month.

## Parsing Deut 24:1-4

KJV, Pharisees: Three Laws

1 **When** a man hath taken a wife, and married her, and it come to pass that she find no favour in his eyes, because he hath found some uncleanness in her: **then let him write her a bill of divorcement**, and give *it* in her hand, and **send her out** of his house.

2 And when she is departed out of his house, she may go and be another man's wife.

3 And *if* the latter husband hate her, and write her a bill of divorcement, and giveth *it* in her hand, and sendeth her out of his house; or if the latter husband die, which took her *to be* his wife; 4 **Her former husband, which sent her away, may not** take her again to be his wife, after that she is defiled;

for that *is* abomination before the LORD: and thou shalt not **cause the land to sin**, which the LORD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance.

Our Lord, Jeremiah: one law

1 **When** a man hath taken a wife, and married her, and it come to pass that she find no favour in his eyes, because he hath found some uncleanness in her, and he writes her a bill of divorcement, and give *it* in her hand, and **send her out** of his house.

2 And **when** she is departed out of his house, she **goes** and **becomes another man's** *wife*,

3 And the latter husband hates her, and writes her a bill of divorcement, and gives *it* in her hand, and sends her out of his house; or the latter husband dies, which took her *to be* his wife;

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Jer 3:1

1 They say, **If** a man **put away** his wife,

and she go from him, and become another man's,

shall he return unto her again?

shall not that land be greatly polluted?