

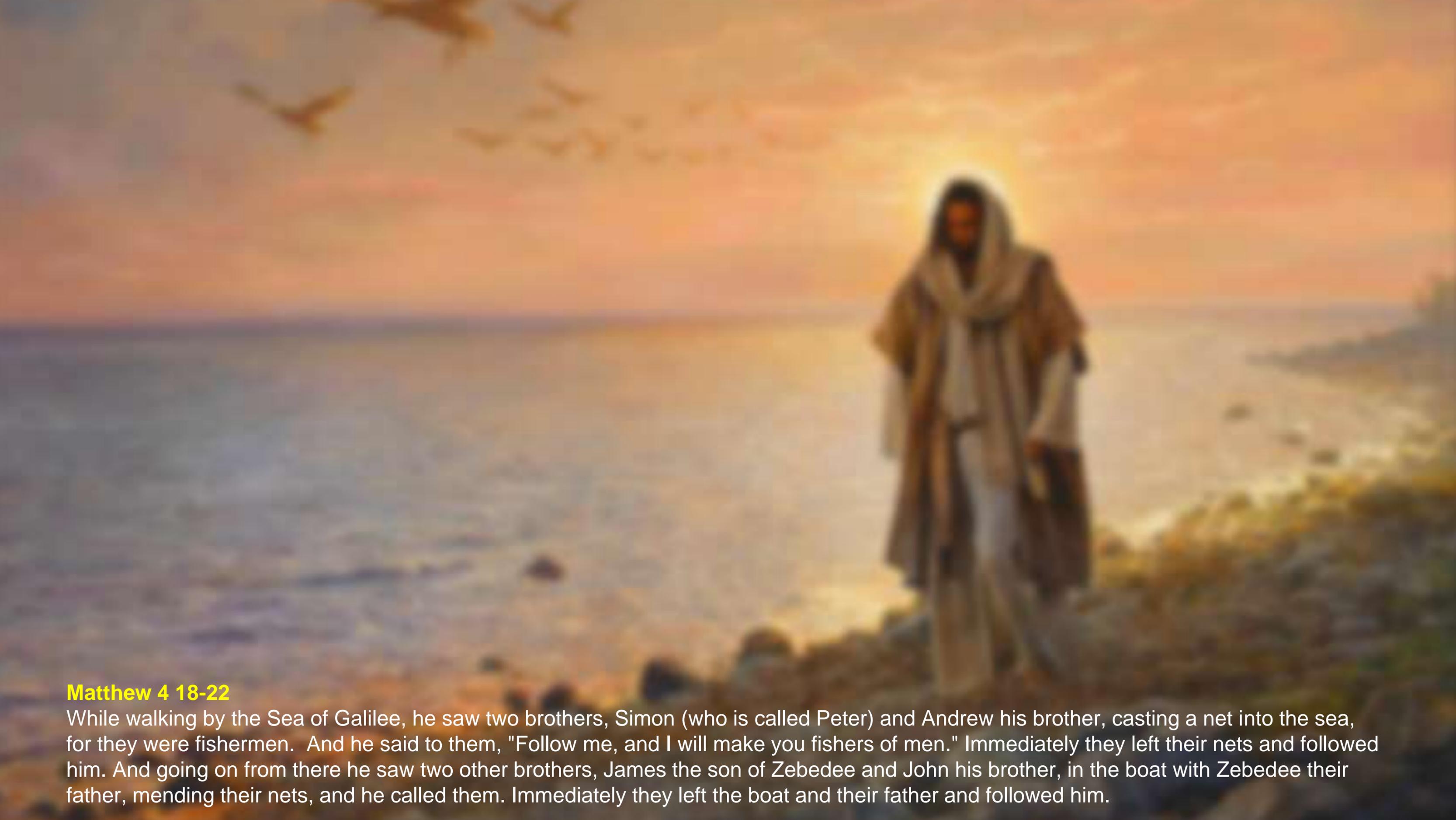
# THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN



### **Matthew 4 12-17**

Now when he heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee. And leaving Nazareth he went and lived in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles — the people dwelling in darkness have seen a great light, and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death, on them a light has dawned." (Isaiah 9:1)

From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."



### **Matthew 4 18-22**

While walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." Immediately they left their nets and followed him. And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

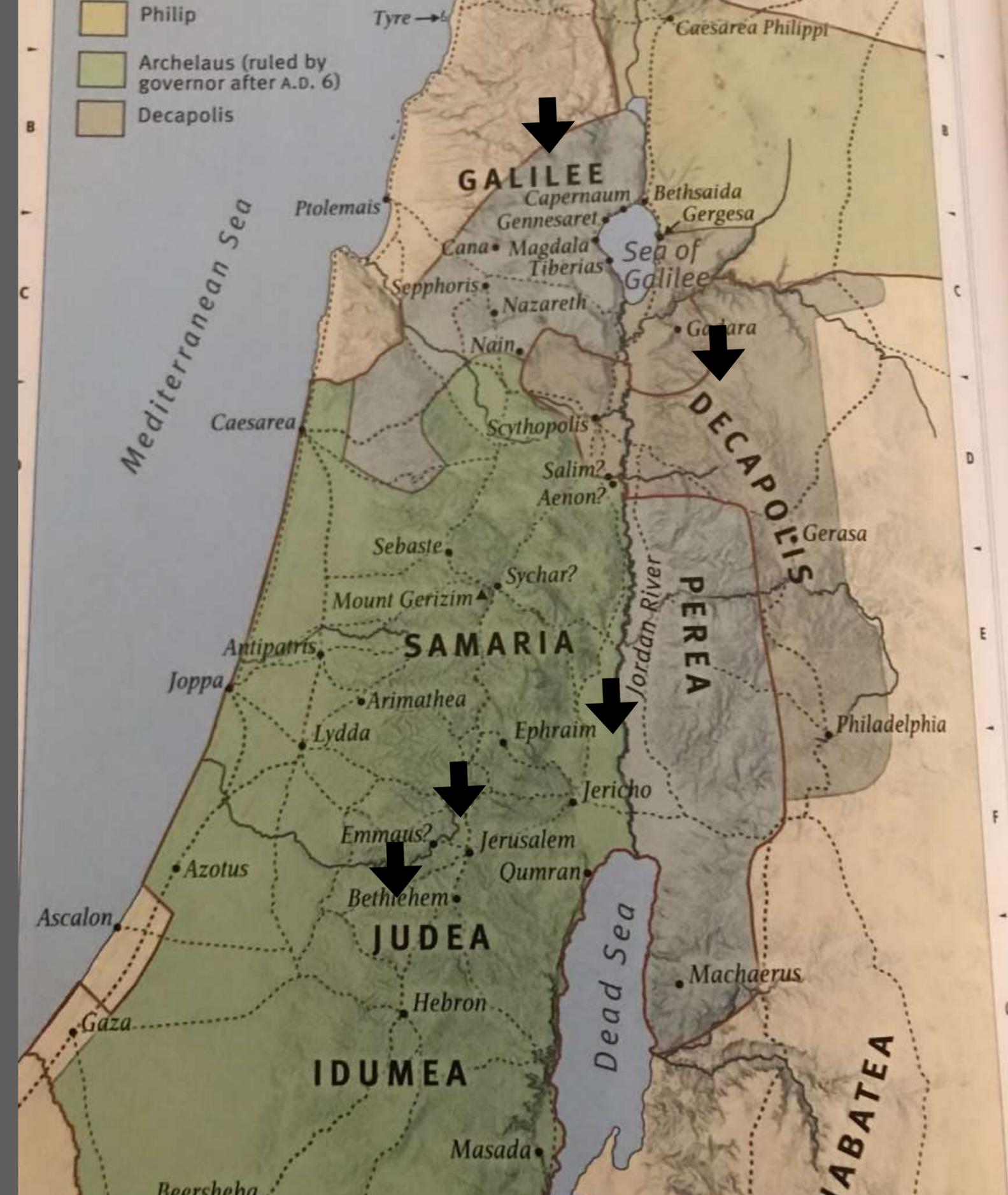


### **Matthew 4 23-24**

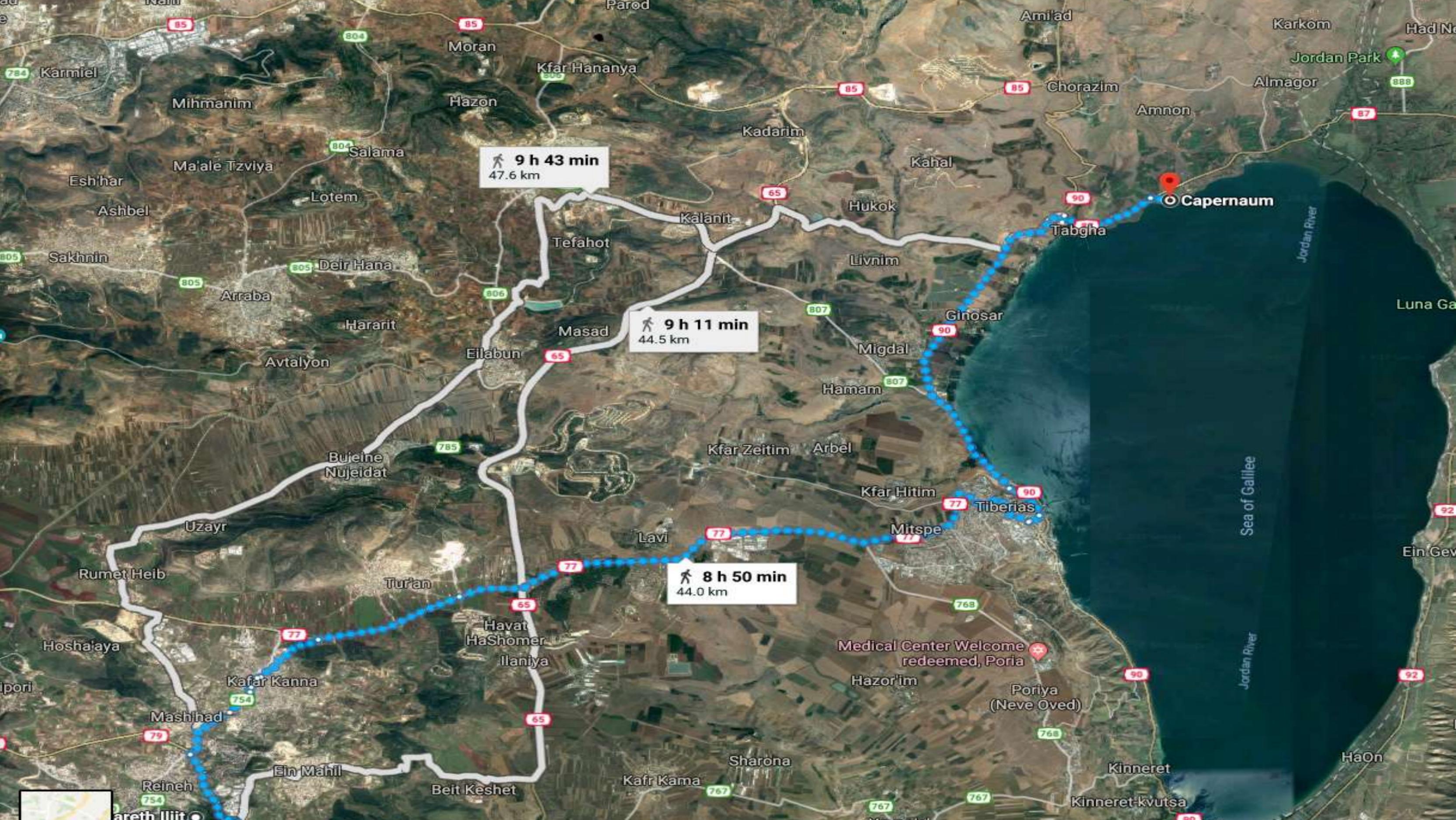
And he went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction among the people. So his fame spread throughout all Syria, and they brought him all the sick, those afflicted with various diseases and pains, those oppressed by demons, those having seizures, and paralytics, and he healed them.

**Matthew 4 25**

And great crowds followed him from Galilee and the Decapolis, and from Jerusalem and Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.







9 h 43 min  
47.6 km

9 h 11 min  
44.5 km

8 h 50 min  
44.0 km









## Genesis 1 26-28

Then God said, “Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may **rule** over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground.”

So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

<sup>28</sup> God blessed them and said to them, “Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. **Rule** over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground.”

## **EXODUS 15 1-18**

Then Moses and the Israelites sang this song to the LORD:

“I will sing to the LORD,  
for he is highly exalted.

Both horse and driver  
he has hurled into the sea.

“The LORD is my strength and my defense;  
he has become my salvation.

He is my God, and I will praise him,  
my father’s God, and I will exalt him.....

.....“The LORD **reigns (as King)**  
for ever and ever.

### Isaiah 52:7-10

How beautiful on the mountains  
are the feet of those who bring good news,  
who proclaim peace,  
who bring good tidings,  
who proclaim salvation,  
who say to Zion,  
'Your God reigns as King!'

Listen! Your watchmen lift up their voices;  
together they shout for joy.  
When the Lord returns to Zion,  
they will see it with their own eyes.

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together they shout for joy.  
When the Lord returns to Zion,  
they will see it with their own eyes.

Burst into songs of joy together,  
you ruins of Jerusalem,  
for the Lord has comforted his people,  
he has redeemed Jerusalem.

The Lord will lay bare his holy arm  
in the sight of all the nations,  
and all the ends of the earth will see  
the salvation of our God.

**Creation**

**Rebellion  
(Rejection of God  
& his Kingdom)**

**Human  
bad Kingdoms**

**God rescues  
his own people  
from the bad Kingdoms**

**Humans continue to  
reject God**

**JESUS  
KINGDOM  
KING  
PEOPLE  
REIGN**

- **What is the Kingdom of God?**
- **We are not the Kingdom**
- **The Kingdom is not a religion or a duty**
- **Whose Kingdom is it?**
- **Who builds the Kingdom?**
- **Who advances the Kingdom?**
- **How does the Kingdom advance?**

**MY KING**

**IS THE  
KING**

