

How to contemplate the life of Jesus

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LESSON

1

THE GEOGRAPHY OF PALESTINE

Theme text: *“Speak to the Israelites and say to them: ‘When you enter the land to which I am taking you and you eat the food of the land, present a portion as an offering to the Lord’” (Num 15:18-19).*

I

JESUS IN TIME AND SPACE

Walking in the steps of Jesus

Presentation video:

Jesus of Nazareth, or similar.

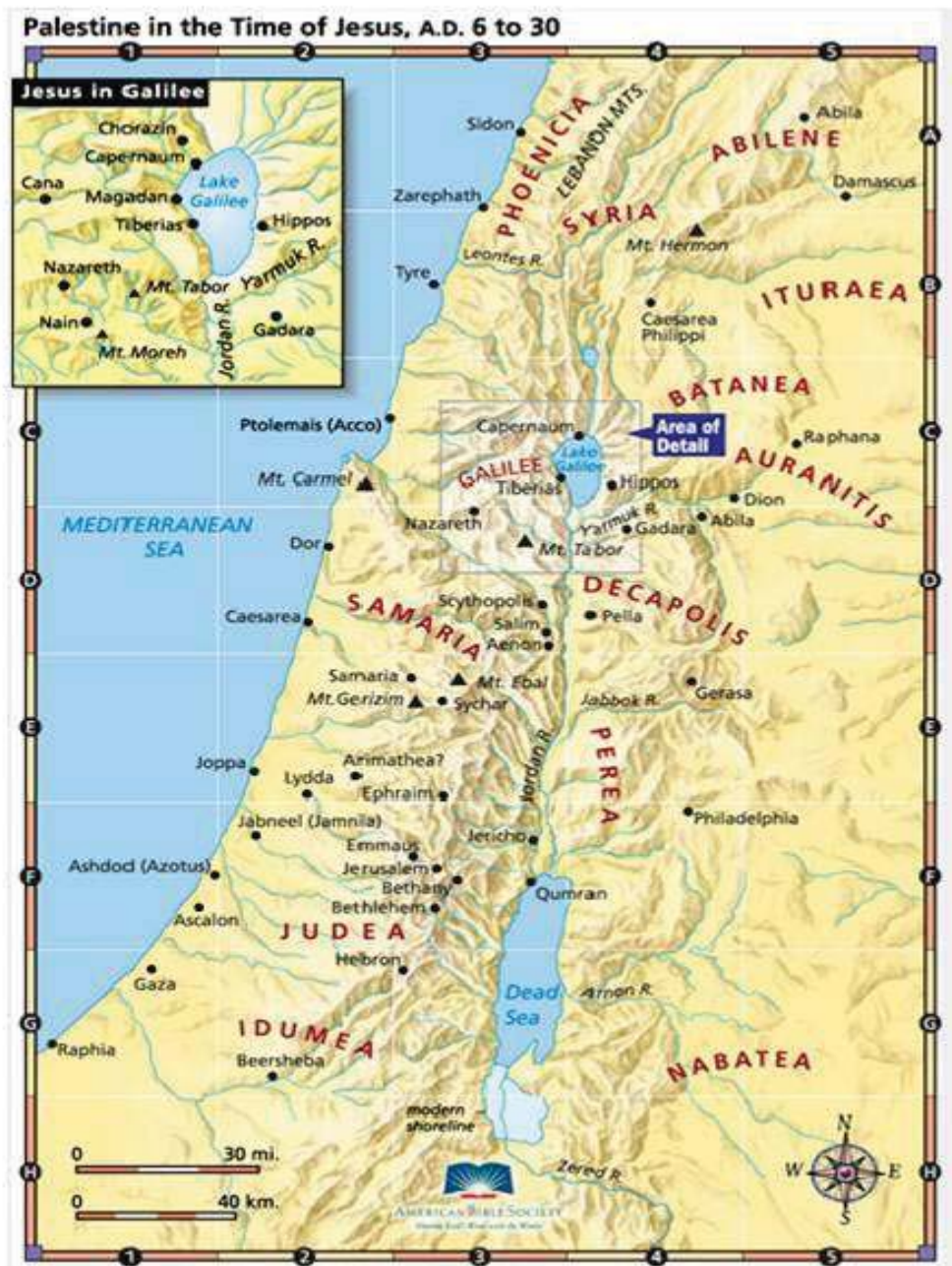
Share highlights from the video – events from the life of Jesus, and where they occurred.

Nine significant Palestinian cities

1. **Jerusalem** (capital, and political and religious centre).
2. **Bethlehem of Judea** (city of David and Jesus’ birthplace).
3. **Nazareth** (city where Joseph and Mary lived, and where Jesus was raised).
4. **Jericho** (city where Jesus restored the sight of Bartimaeus, and met with Zacchaeus).
5. **Capernaum** (central town for the Galilean ministry of Jesus).
6. **Bethany** (town where Lazarus lived with Martha and Mary, friends of Jesus).
7. **Emmaus** (town where two of the disciples lived, and where Jesus revealed himself on the evening of the first Easter).
8. **Caesarea Philippi** (near Mount Hermon, where Peter confessed that Jesus was the Messiah and Jesus spoke, for the first time, about his death and resurrection).

9. **Tyre and Sidon** (towns located outside of Palestine and compared with Capernaum and Bethsaida. All these towns were condemned by Jesus – Luke 10.13-16).

Locate on the map of Palestine below, the following: Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Capernaum, Emmaus, Mount Hermon, and Tyre, explaining their importance for the life and ministry of Jesus



II

THE FOUR REGIONS OF PALESTINE

The map shows the political and physical geography of Palestine:

Indicate the location of the following physical regions of Palestine:

1. Coastal region (western)
2. Mountainous region (central)
3. Jordan Valley (eastern)
4. Mountainous region and the Arabian Desert (extreme east)

III

EXERCISES

1. Jesus was born in the town of _____ of _____. (**BETHLEHEM, JUDEA**)
 2. On being expelled from Nazareth, Jesus went to the shores of _____ where he conducted his ministry in the town _____. (**GALILEE, CAPERNAUM**)
 3. In Jericho, Jesus met with blind _____ and _____ the tax collector. (**BARTIMAEUS, ZACCHAEUS**)
 4. Nazareth is in Palestine's _____ region. (**MOUNTAINOUS**)
 5. The river Jordan runs _____ to _____ emptying into the _____ Sea. (**NORTH, SOUTH, DEAD**)
 6. The _____ region is located in the west of Palestine. (**COASTAL**)
- Make copies of a map of Palestine in sufficient quantity for your students and ask that they outline the boundaries of the four regions of Palestine.

In pairs: Note five towns/cities important for the life and ministry of Jesus. What is the significance of these towns/cities for Jesus? (You may use a Bible dictionary).