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Woman
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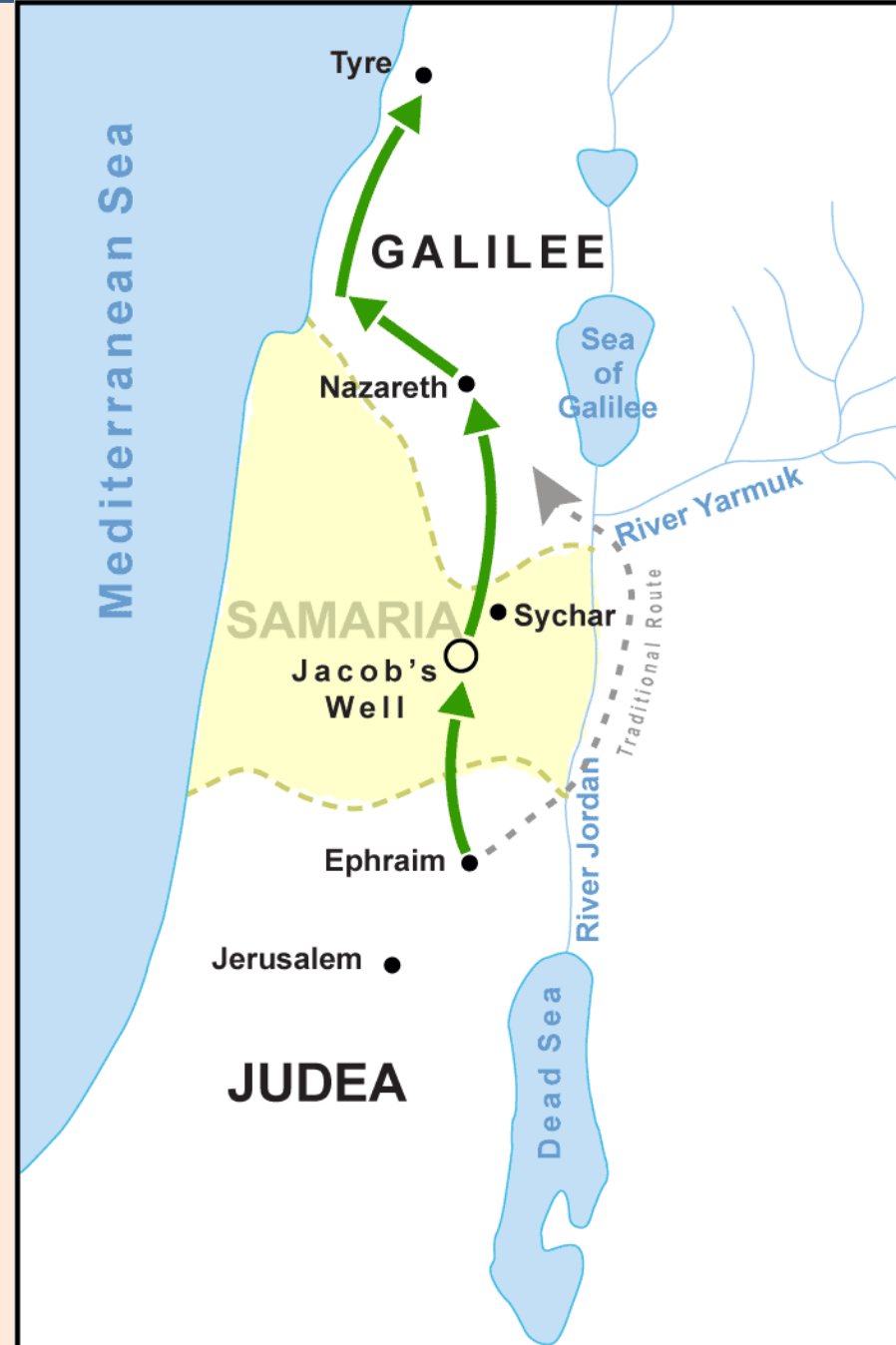
John 4:1-4...The Setting

“Therefore, when the Lord knew that the Pharisees had heard that Jesus made and baptized more disciples than John –

though Jesus Himself did not baptize, but His disciples.

He left Judea and departed again to Galilee.

But He needed to go through Samaria.



Jesus Passes Through Samaria

Holy Land

at the
Time of Christ

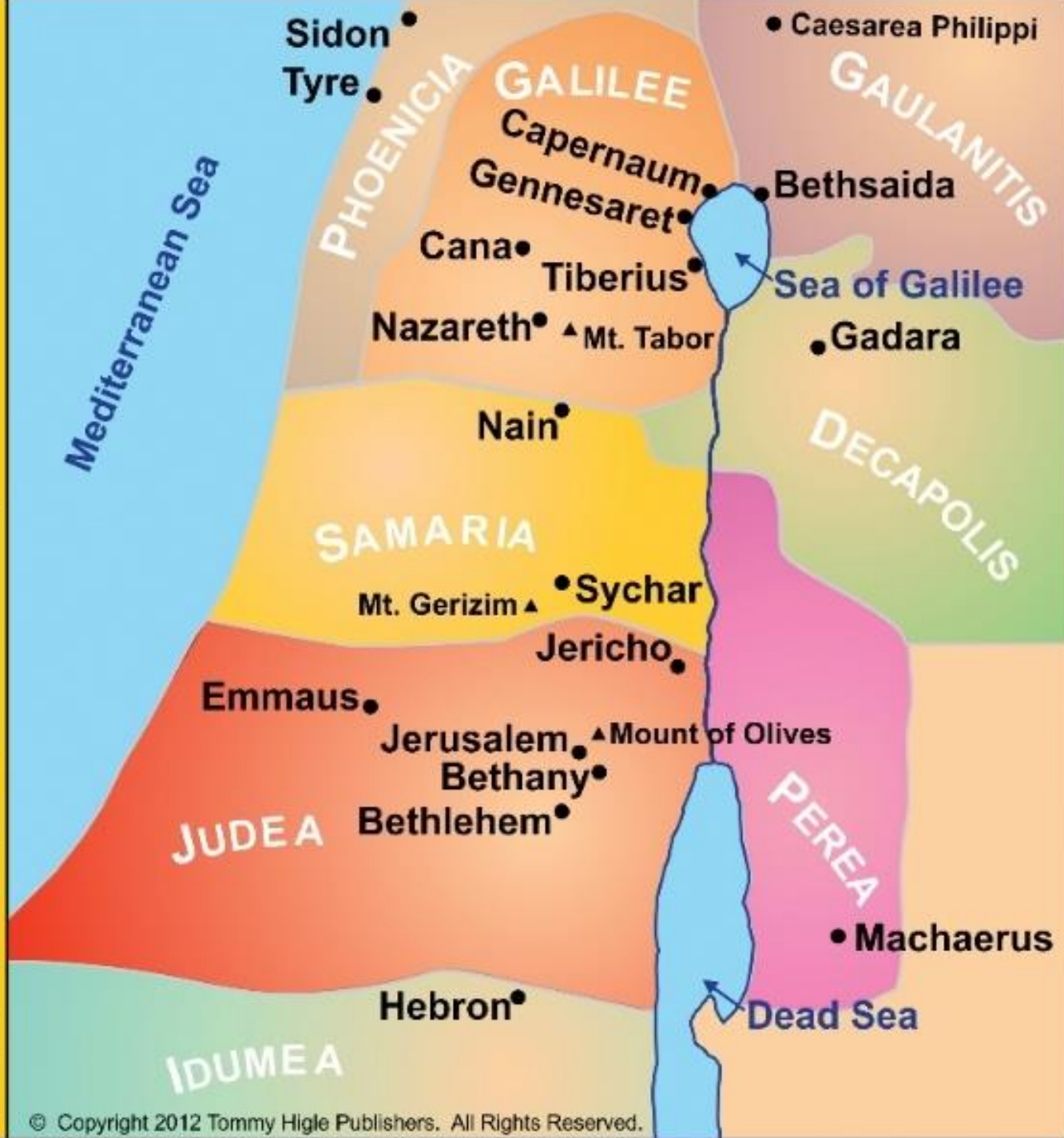


- City
- ▲ Mountain

Distances from Jerusalem in Miles

to Bethany - 2
to Bethlehem - 6
to Jericho - 15
to Nazareth - 65
to Capernaum - 90
(all distances are approximate)

Modern Mediterranean Geography



John 4:7 - 9

A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her

“Give me a drink?”

For His disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.

Then the woman of Samaria said to him, “How is it that you, being a Jew, ask a drink from me, a Samaritan woman?”

For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.



John 4: 10 –15

Jesus answered and said to her

“If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, Give Me a drink, you would have asked Him and He would have given you living water.”



The woman said to Him, “Sir, You have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep. Where then do you get this living water?

Are You greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, as well as his sons and his livestock?”

Jesus answered and said to her,

“Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life.”

The woman said to Him, “Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw.”

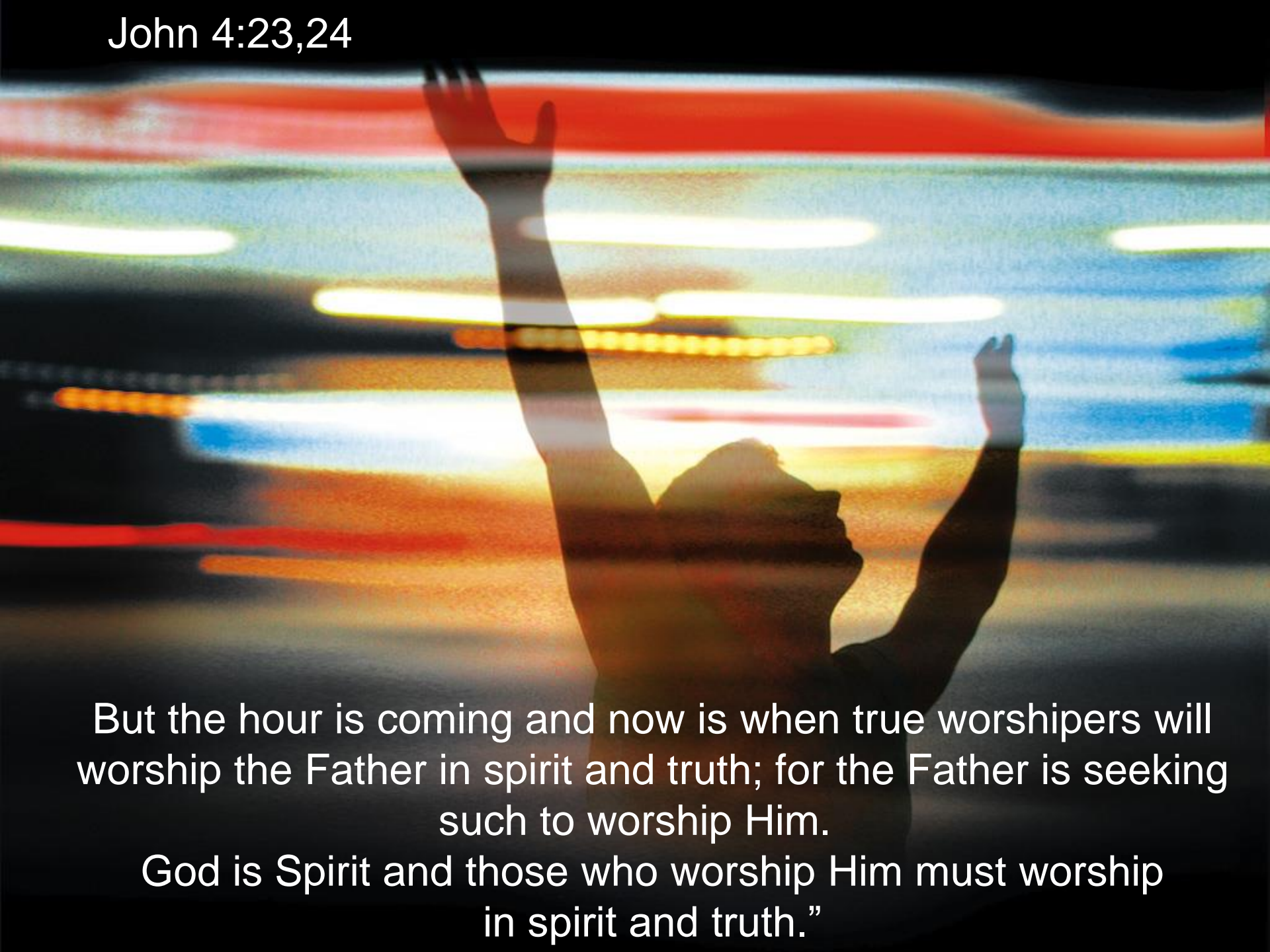
John 4:19-21

The woman said to Him,
“Sir, I perceive that you
are a prophet.



Our fathers worshipped on this mountain
And you Jews say that in Jerusalem is
The place where one ought to worship.”

John 4:23,24



But the hour is coming and now is when true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him.

God is Spirit and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.”

To Do the Will of the Father

“For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me.” [John 6:38](#)

“Then I said, ‘Behold, I have come to do your will, O God, as it is written of me in the scroll of the book.’” Hebrews 10

“Jesus said to them, “If God were your Father, you would love me, for I came from God and I am here. I came not of my own accord, but he sent me.” [John 8:42](#)

To Bear Witness to the Truth

“Then Pilate said to him, “So you are a king?” Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice.”” [John 18:37](#)

To Call Sinners to Repentance

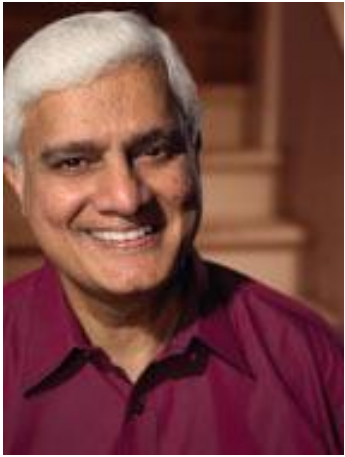
“And when Jesus heard it, he said to them, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I came not to call the righteous, but sinners.”

[Mark 2:17](#)

To Seek and Save the Lost

“And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, “Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today.” And Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.”

[Luke 19:5, 9-10](#)



**“The Samaritan woman grasped
what He said with fervor
that came from an awareness
of her real need.**

The transaction was fascinating.

She has come with a bucket.

He sent her back with a spring of living water.

She had come as a reject.

He sent her back being accepted by God Himself.

She came wounded.

He sent her back whole.

She came laden with questions.

He sent her back as a source for answers.

She came living a life of quiet desperation.

She ran back overflowing with hope.

The disciples missed it all. It was lunchtime for them.

[Ravi Zacharias](#)