

The Mission

the final year



thankfulness

Luke 17

luke 17:11–19

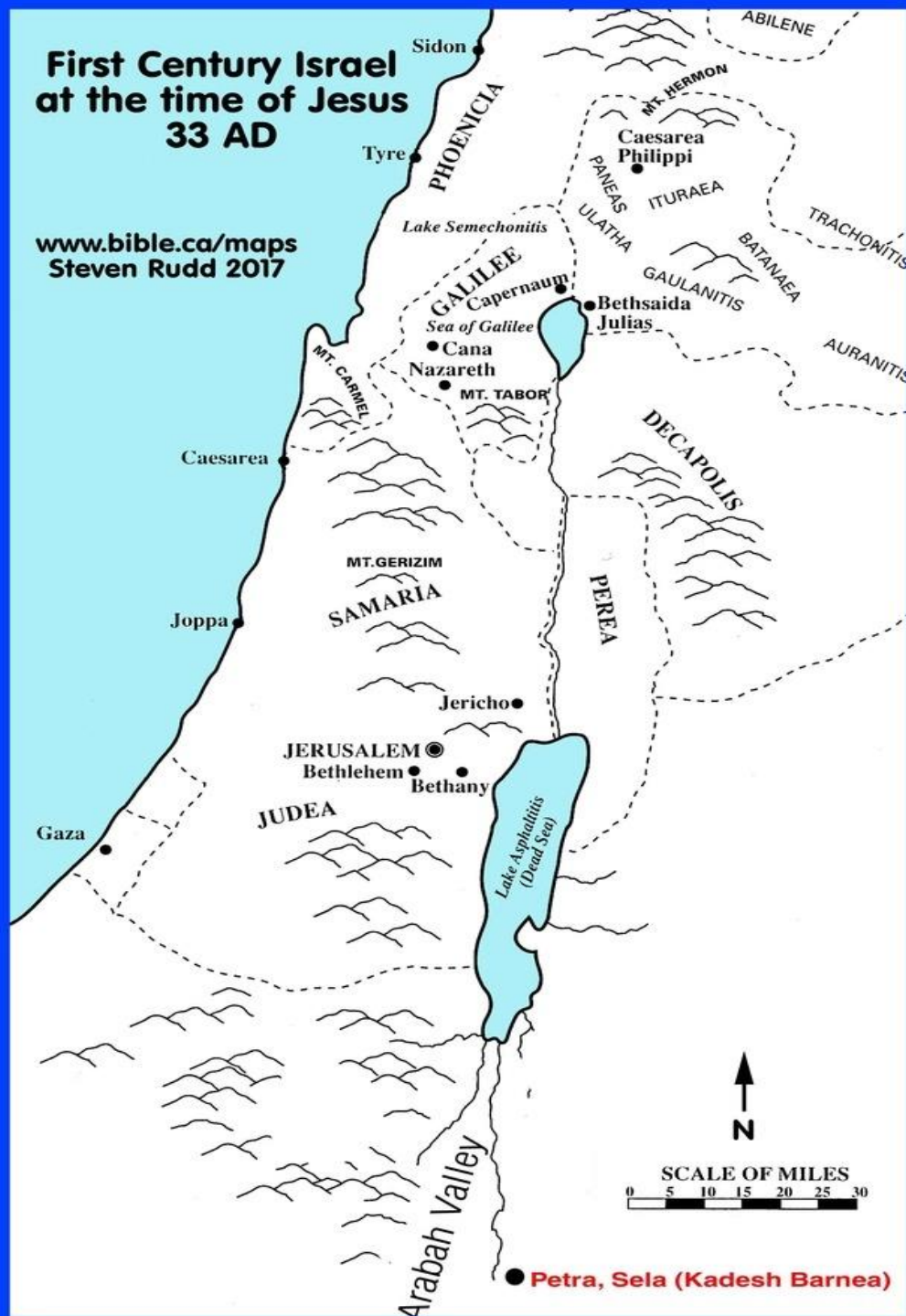
On the way to Jerusalem he was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.” When he saw them he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus’ feet, giving him thanks.

luke 17:11–19

Now he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus answered, “Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” And he said to him, “Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well.”

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the route

- He did most of His ministry in the Galilee region.
 - He would have traveled to Jerusalem for festivals but did little ministry there.
- He sent out 70 of His followers to the towns he was about to go into as He set His face towards Jerusalem.
- Now He is going into those towns teaching following the miracles performed by His followers.

merciful

- In asking for mercy the lepers are not only asking for healing, but for restoration.
- Jesus looks at them. He does not turn a blind eye to their suffering.
 - Whenever anyone reached to Jesus for healing, He gave it.
- **James 2:13:** *For judgment is without mercy to one who has shown no mercy. Mercy triumphs over judgment.*

and as they went

- There are times when God sovereignly acts on our behalf, with nothing asked of us.
 - Being born again is the prime example of this.
- But many times, in scripture, there is an active partnership between our actions and God's actions.
- You are an active participant in your own sanctification.

faith

- All the lepers were cleansed (*katharizo*).
- But only this man was healed (*sozo*).
 - *Sozo* means saved, brought into wholeness.
- Why did this leper receive the sozo? Because of his faith.
 - v.19: *And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."*

faith

- How did this leper show Jesus that he had faith?
- **Luke 17:15–16:** *Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan.*
- Praising God and giving thanks were his acts of faith.

thankfulness

- **1 Thessalonians 5:13:** *Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.*
- **Ephesians 5:20:** *Giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,*
- **Colossians 3:15:** *And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.*

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- Thankfulness is acknowledging God for what He has done and is currently doing in your life.
- It is giving credit where credit is due.

reflection