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Christmas

The Son



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43 The next day Jesus decided to leave for Galilee. Finding Philip, he said to him, "Follow me."

44 Philip, like Andrew and Peter, was from the town of Bethsaida.

45 Philip found Nathanael and told him, "We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph."

46 "Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?" Nathanael asked. "Come and see," said Philip.

JOHN 1:43-46



47 When Jesus saw Nathanael approaching, he said of him,
“Here truly is an Israelite in whom there is no deceit.”

48 “How do you know me?” Nathanael asked.

Jesus answered, “I saw you while you were still under the fig
tree before Philip called you.”

49 Then Nathanael declared, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God;
you are the king of Israel.”

JOHN 1:47-49



50 Jesus said, "You believe because I told you I saw you under the fig tree. You will see greater things than that."

51 He then added, "Very truly I tell you, you will see 'heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.'"

JOHN 1:50-51



Son of Man



Hebrew: בֶּן־אָדָם ben-'adam

**literally means "son of Adam" or "son of man," referring to a human being descended from Adam, the first man in Genesis.
Which signifies Human Mortality and Weakness**



**"What is mankind that you are mindful
of them, human beings (ben-'adam)
that you care for them?"**

Psalm 8:4



Aramaic: Bar 'Enash

The phrase evolves dramatically in Daniel 7:13-14, where Son of Man shifts from a generic term for humans to a highly exalted, divine figure



“In my vision at night I looked, and there before me was one like a son of man (bar 'enash), coming with the clouds of heaven. He approached the Ancient of Days and was led into His presence.”

Daniel 7:13



Linguistic Meaning: "Son of Man" originally referred to a human being, emphasizing mortality and weakness.

Theological Development: It evolved into a Messianic title signifying a divinely appointed figure with universal authority

Jesus merged both meanings—He embraced human frailty while asserting His divine mission as the Messianic King and Judge who brings God's eternal kingdom.



What is the significance of Jesus as the Son of Man and how can we relate to Him during this Christmas season?



**The Son of Man Calls and
Knows Us Personally**



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**As the Son of Man, Jesus has the
authority to call and transform lives.
His knowledge of Philip and
Nathanael reflects His divine nature as
God in human form.**



8 And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. 9 And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear. 10 And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people.

LUKE 2:8-10



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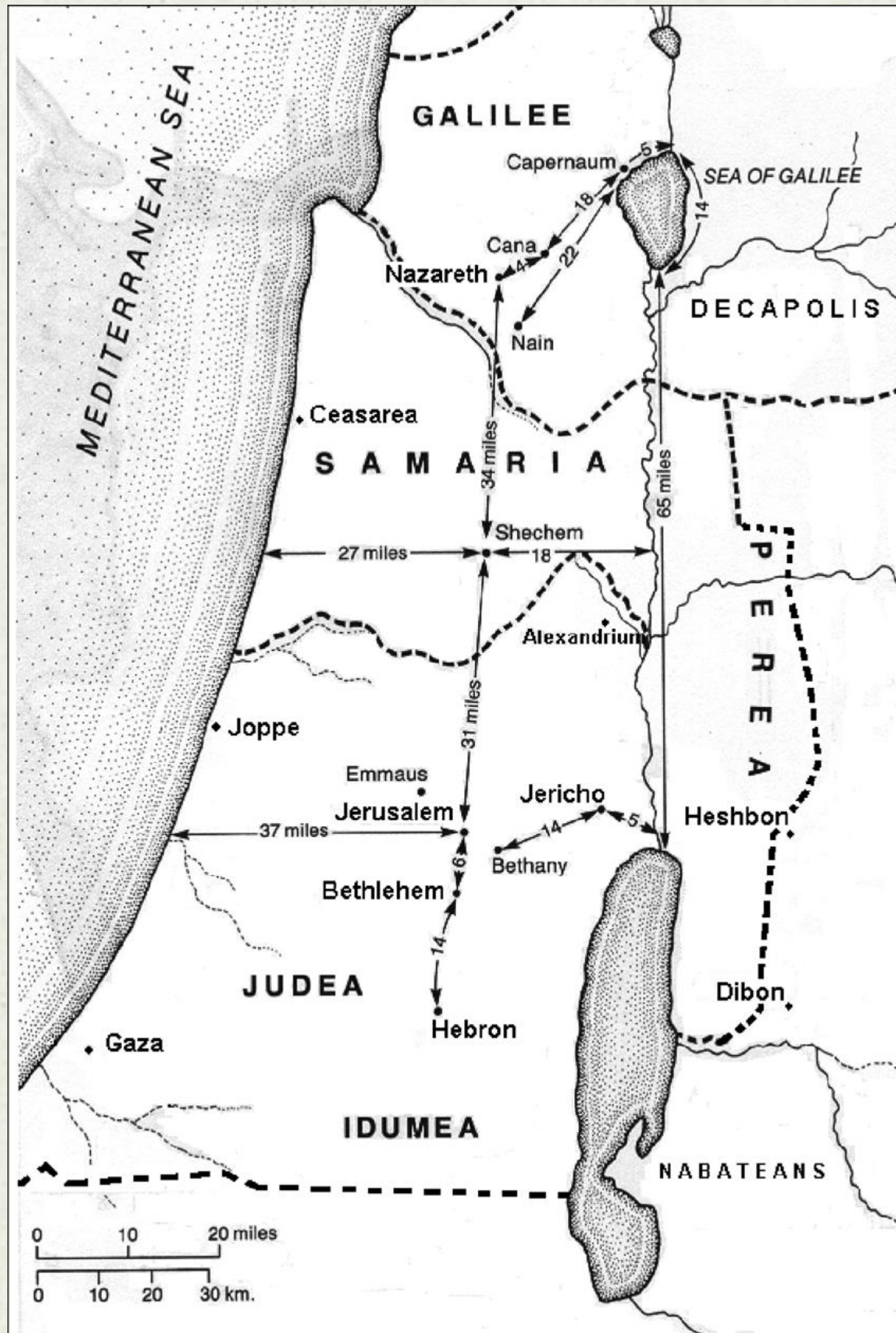
**Honest Doubt Can
Lead to Genuine Faith**



46 Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?

JOHN 1:46

**Why was Nazareth often
looked down upon in the 1st
century?**



1. Geographical Insignificance
2. Cultural Prejudice
3. Lack of Historical or Biblical Importance
4. Political and Social Status
5. Religious Expectations

God chose a humble, overlooked place as the home of the Savior, demonstrating that greatness in God's kingdom is not tied to social status or worldly power.

**If you struggle with doubt like
Nathanael, remember that Jesus—
the Son of Man—meets you
where you are, turning doubt into
faith.**



Personal Testimony Brings Others to Jesus



46 "Come and see," said Philip.

JOHN 1:46



**Challenge: Who can you invite to
“come and see” Jesus, the Son of
Man, this Christmas season?**



Jesus is the Bridge Between Heaven and Earth



51 “You will see ‘heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.’”

JOHN 1:51



12 And he dreamed, and behold, there was a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven. And behold, the angels of God were ascending and descending on it!

GENESIS 28:12

Jesus' birth wasn't just the arrival of a baby—it was the arrival of the Son of Man (Bar-Enash), God's bridge to humanity. His life, death, and resurrection would open the way for us to enter God's presence.



Which disciple do you resonate with ?

Philip or Nathanael?

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