

"Jesus at his core - Part 2" Matthew 4.23-25



EXPLORING 'THE GOOD LIFE'



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"Jesus at his Core" Matthew 4.12-22



1. Core message

2. Core method

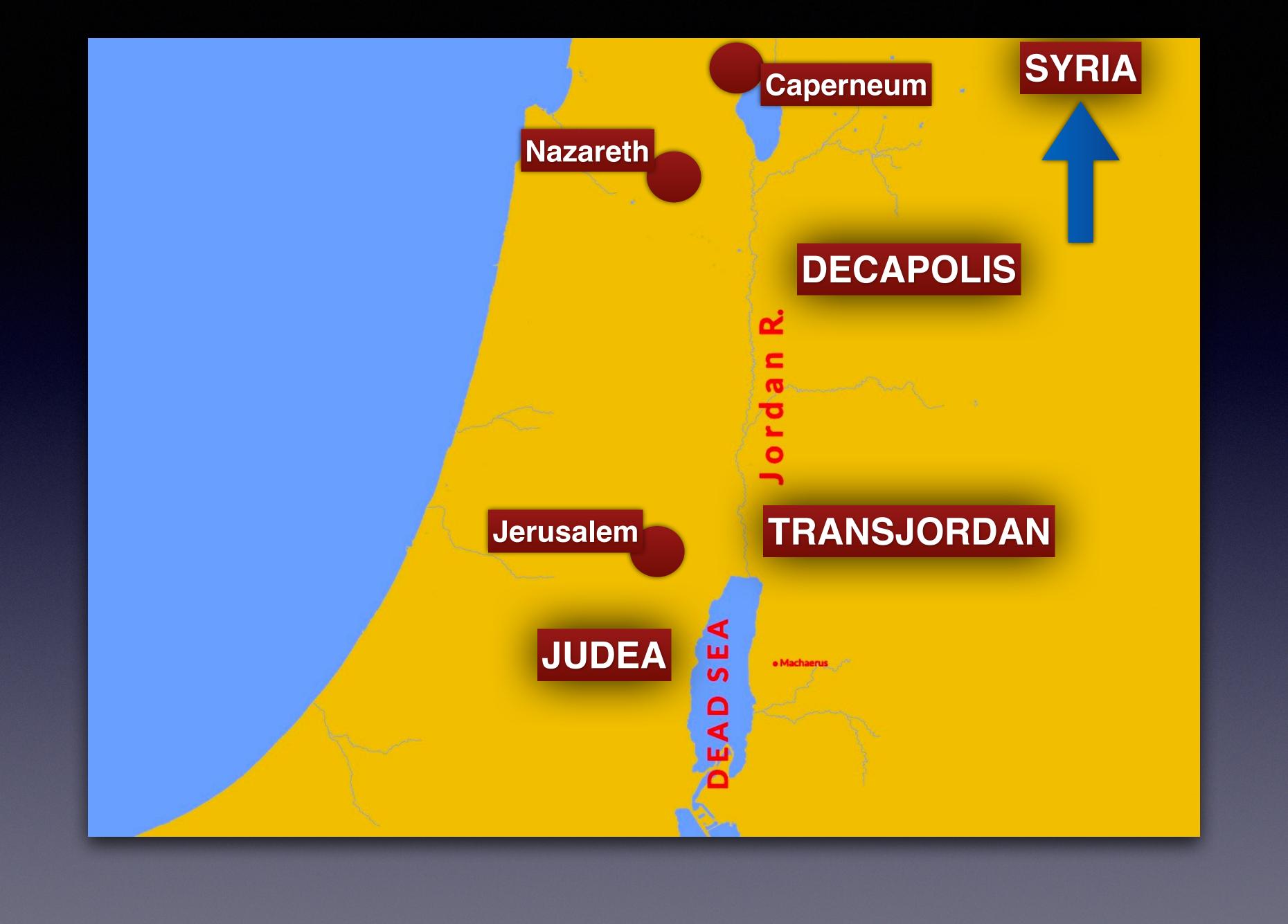
"Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people. News about him spread all over Syria, and people brought to him all who were ill with various diseases, those suffering severe pain, the demon-possessed, those having seizures, and the paralysed; and he healed them. Large crowds from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea and the region across the Jordan followed him." (Matthew 4:23–25 NIV11)

"Jesus the proclaimer"



"You know what has happened throughout the province of Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached— how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him."

(Acts 10:37–38 NIV11)



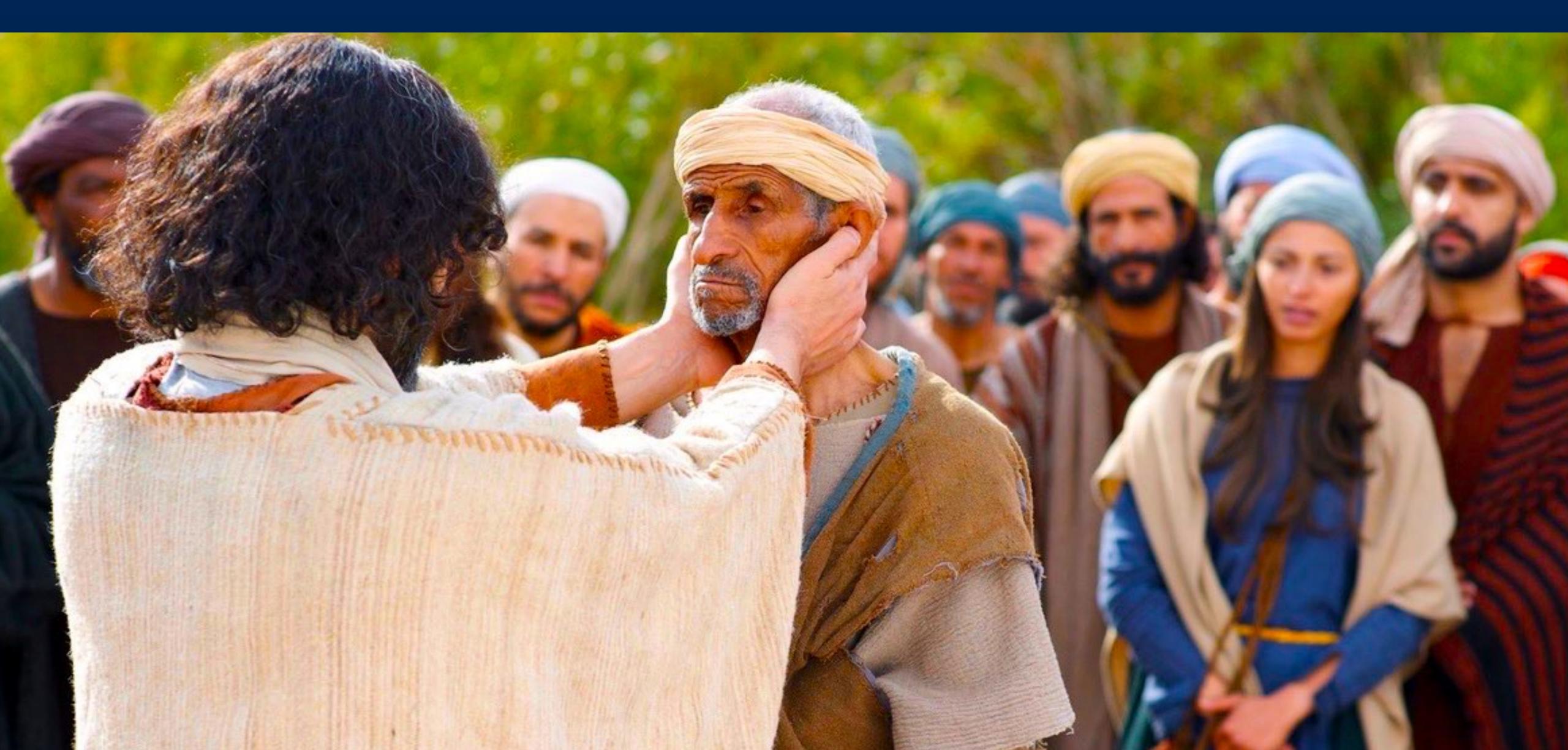


"Then will the eyes of the blind be opened and the ears of the deaf unstopped. Then will the lame leap like a deer, and the mute tongue shout for joy. Water will gush forth in the wilderness and streams in the desert."

- (Isaiah 35:5-6 NIV11)

This is what it looks like when Jesus takes over the world

"Jesus the healer"





"How can we bring 'healing' to people today?"

- "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
- Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
- Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
- Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.
- Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
- Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
- Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."
- (Matthew 5:3-10 NIV11)



Large crowds came because he did four things:

- 1. Preached (engaging the will, disturbing the status quo)
- 2. Called (engaging the life, disturbing priorities)
- 3. Taught (engaging the mind, disturbed preconceived ideas)
- 4. Healed (engaging the need, disturbing the hold of the devil over creation)



When the church does these (or their equivalents), then it will be effective.

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