



COME LET US
GO TO THE

Mountains of the Lord

IT STARTS AND
FINISHES ON
THE MOUNTAIN

#1. THE MOUNT OF TRANSFIGURATION.

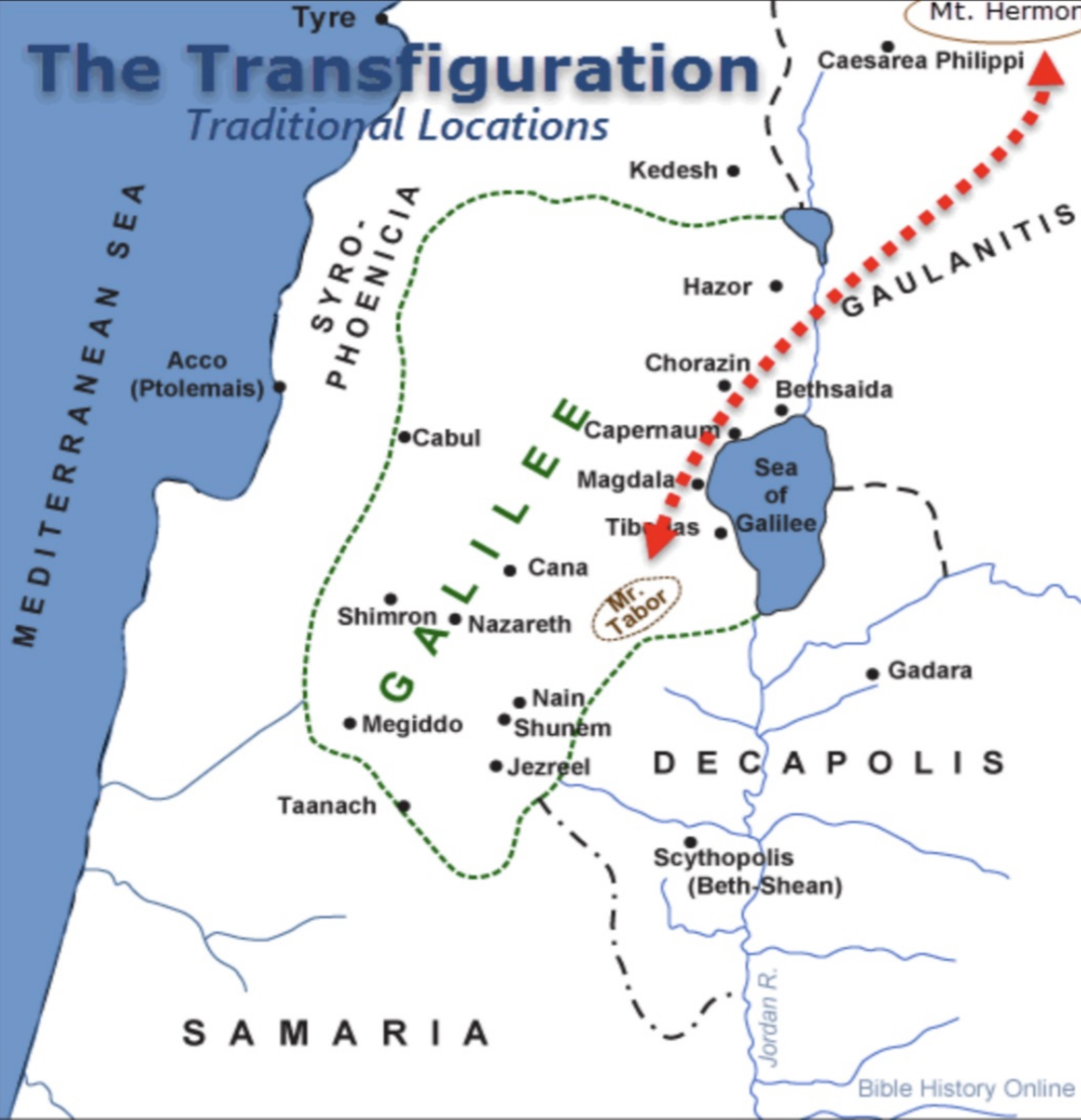
MATTHEW 17:1-3 (MSG) [MARK 9:2-4, LUKE 9:28-32]

Jesus took Peter and the brothers, James and John, and led them up a high mountain. His appearance changed from the inside out, right before their eyes. Sunlight poured from his face. His clothes were filled with light. Then they realized that Moses and Elijah were also there in deep conversation with him. They also appeared in glory and discussed with Him what He was about to accomplish in Jerusalem.

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The Transfiguration

Traditional Locations



“Jesus was not shining brightly because He was divine and that this was a vision of His divinity which otherwise would have remained secret.”

N.T. WRIGHT

DANIEL 12:2-3 (TLB)

And many of those whose bodies lie dead and buried will rise up, some to everlasting life and some to shame and everlasting contempt. And those who are wise—the people of God—shall shine as brightly as the sun's brilliance, and those who turn many to righteousness will glitter like stars forever.

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MATTHEW 13:41-43 (NIV)

The Son of Man will send out his angels, and they will weed out of his kingdom everything that causes sin and all who do evil. They will throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father.

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#2. THE MOUNT OF CRUCIFIXION.

PHILIPPIANS 2:6-8 (NIV)

“Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross!”

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ROMANS 5:8 (JBP)

“Yet the proof of God’s amazing love is this: that it was while we were sinners that Christ died for us.”

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“I will never laugh at anyone grieving over a loved beast. I think God wants us to love Him more, not to love creatures less... No person, animal, flower or even pebble has ever been loved too much, i.e. more than every one of God’s work deserves.”

#3. THE MOUNTAIN OF REVELATION 21.

PHILIPPIANS 3:20-21 (AMP)

But [we are different, because] our citizenship is in heaven. And from there we eagerly await [the coming of] the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ; who, by exerting that power which enables Him even to subject everything to Himself, will [not only] transform [but completely refashion] our earthly bodies so that they will be like His glorious resurrected body.

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“Changed from glory to glory, till in heaven we take our place.”
CHARLES WESLEY

“And fit us for heaven to live with thee there.”

“Christians don’t tell lies: they just go to church and sing them.”

A. W. TOZER

“There is not one single reference in the entire Biblical Canon {OT and NT} to heaven as the eternal destiny of the believer. Although this idea has a vastly important role in popular Christian imagination {and even in some theologies} not once does Scripture itself actually say that the righteous will live forever in Heaven.”

J. RICHARD MIDDLETON

A New Heaven and a New Earth

ROMANS 8:19-23 (TLB)

For all creation is waiting patiently and hopefully for that future day when God will resurrect his children. For on that day thorns and thistles, sin, death, and decay —the things that overcame the world against its will at God's command —will all disappear, and the world around us will share in the glorious freedom from sin which God's children enjoy.

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“No more let sins and sorrows grow
Nor thorns infest the ground
He comes to make
His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found
Far as the curse is found
Far as, far as the curse is found.”

ISAAC WATTS

Joy to the World



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“It will be immune from death and sorrow; it will be at the height of its powers, free from disease and deformities and around 30 years of age, the age Christ began His ministry. It will surpass anything we can imagine even from the account of Christ’s appearances on earth after His own resurrection.”

HUGH OF ST. VICTOR (1142)