



Perea

(Mk6:12-42) They went out and preached that people should repent. ¹³ They cast out many demons and anointed people with oil and healed the sick.

¹⁴ King Herod heard this, for His name ^(L9:7) and all He had done ^(Mk) had become known. This perplexed Herod who said, “John the Baptist has risen from the dead, and that’s why these powers are at work in Him.”

¹⁵ But some said, “He’s Elijah.” Others said, “He’s a prophet, or like one of the prophets.”

¹⁶ But Herod, when he heard this, said, “This is John, whom I beheaded. He has risen from the dead.” ¹⁷ ^(L9:9) And he tried to see Jesus.

^(Mk) For Herod had John arrested and bound and put him in prison. He did this for the sake of Herodias, his brother Philip’s wife, because he had married her. ¹⁸ For John had been telling Herod, “It’s not lawful for you to have your brother’s wife.”

¹⁹ So Herodias set herself against John and wanted to kill him, but she couldn’t, ²⁰ because Herod feared John and kept him safe, knowing he was a holy and righteous man. ^(M14:4) While he could have put him to death, he feared the multitude, because they considered him a prophet. ^(Mk) When Herod heard John, he was perplexed and yet he enjoyed listening to him.

²¹ Then an opportune moment occurred on the day of Herod's birthday. He hosted a feast for his nobles, high officers, and the chief men of Galilee. ²² When the daughter of Herodias entered and danced, she pleased Herod and those sitting with him. The king said to the young woman, "Ask me for whatever you want, and I'll give it to you." ²³ He swore to her, "Whatever you ask of me, I'll give you, up to half my kingdom."

²⁴ So she went out and said to her mother, "What shall I ask for?"

"The head of John the Baptist," she replied,

²⁵ The young woman quickly returned to the king and said, "I want you to give me, right now, the head of John the Baptist on a platter." Although the king felt very sorry, for the sake of his oaths and his dinner guests, he was unwilling to refuse her. ²⁷ Immediately the king sent out an executioner and commanded him to bring John's head. So, he beheaded John in the prison, ²⁸ and brought his head on a platter and gave it to the young woman, who presented it to her mother.

²⁹ When John's disciples heard this, they came and took John's body, laid it in a tomb and ^(M14:12) left to tell Jesus.

^(Mk) ³⁰ The apostles gathered with Jesus, and they told Him everything they had taught and done.

³¹ He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place, and rest awhile." For there was much

activity, coming and going, and they had no time even to eat.

^(J6:4) Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews was at hand. ^(Mk) ³² And they went away by themselves in the boat to a desert region ^(L9:10) near a city called Bethsaida, ^(J6:1-2) on the other side of the Sea of Galilee, which is also called the Sea of Tiberias. ^(Mk) ³³ The people watched them leaving, and because ^(J6:2-3) they had seen the miracles He performed on the sick, those who recognized Him ran there on foot from all the cities. ^(Mk) They arrived before Jesus and His disciples and merging they came to Him.

³⁴ When Jesus climbed out of the boat and saw the massive crowd, He felt compassion for them. They were like sheep without a shepherd ^(L9:11) and He welcomed them. He then began to teach them about God's kingdom and heal the sick.

^(Mk) ³⁵ When it was late in the day, ^(M14:15) as evening approached, ^(Mk) His disciples came to Him and said, "This place is deserted, and it's late in the day. ³⁶ Send the crowd away, so they can go into the surrounding villages ^(L9:12) and farms to find lodging and ^(Mk) buy food for themselves. For they have nothing to eat, and we're in a deserted place here."

^(Mk) ³⁷ But He answered them, ^(M14:16) "They don't need to leave. ^(Mk) You give them something to eat." ^(J6:6) He said this to test them, for He knew what He would do. ^(Mk) So they asked Him, "Do

You want us to spend two hundred day's wages to buy bread ^(J6:7) so everyone can have a little to eat?"

³⁸ "How many loaves do you have?" He asked. "Go see." After they found out, one of His disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, told Him, ^(J6:8) "There's a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, ^(Mk) but what are these among so many?"

^(M14:17) "Bring them here to Me," ³⁹ Jesus said. ^(Mk) "Make the people sit down on the grass in groups." ^(J6:10) Now there was plenty of green grass there so the men, about five thousand, ^(Mk) sat in groups by fifties and hundreds.

⁴¹ Then He took the five loaves and two fish and looking up to heaven, He blessed the loaves, broke them, and distributed them to His disciples to set before the people, along with the two fish.

⁴² Everyone ate and was filled.

^(J6:12) And when they were satisfied, He said to His disciples, "Gather up the left-over broken pieces so nothing is lost." ^(Mk) ⁴³ So they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces from ^(J6:13) the five barley loaves ^(Mk) and all the left over fish. ⁴⁴ Those who ate the loaves were five thousand men, ^(M14:21) in addition to women and children. ^(J6:14-15) When the people saw the sign Jesus performed, they said, "This is definitely the expected Prophet, who is to come into the world."

(J 6:15) Jesus therefore, perceiving that they were about to come and take Him by force to make Him king, (M14:22-56) ²² immediately made His disciples get into the boat and go ahead of Him to the other side, (J6:17) to Capernaum, (M) while He sent the multitudes away. ²³ After He had dismissed the crowds,

Jesus went up into the mountain by Himself to pray.

And He was there alone when night fell. ²⁴ But the boat was now in the middle of the sea, tormented by the waves because (J6:19) the sea was tossed about by the blowing wind. And it was dark, and Jesus had not come to them.

(²⁵) In the fourth watch of the night, between three in the morning and sunrise, (J6:19) when they had rowed three to four miles, Jesus came to them walking on the sea. Drawing near to the boat, (Mk6:48) He would have passed by them (M) ²⁶ but when (Mk6:50) all the disciples saw Him walking on the sea, they were terrified and cried out in fear, “It’s a ghost!”

(M) ²⁷ But immediately Jesus said to them, “Be brave! It’s Me! Don’t be afraid.” ²⁸ Peter answered Him and said, “Lord, since it’s You, command me to come to You on the waters.”

⁹ “Come!” Jesus said. So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water toward Jesus.

³⁰ But when he saw the tempest, he was afraid, and beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!”

³¹ Jesus quickly stretched out his hand, grabbed hold of Peter, and said, “You have so little faith. Why did you doubt?”

³² The moment they climbed into the boat the wind stopped. And those in the boat worshipped Him, saying, “You really are the Son of God!”
(Mk6:52) They were amazed among themselves, and marveled. ⁵² Yet, their calloused hearts prevented them from understanding about the miracle of the loaves.

(Mk6:53-56) When they had crossed over, they landed at Gennesaret and anchored there. ⁵⁴ As they left the boat, the people immediately recognized Jesus. ⁵⁵ They ran throughout the region, carrying the sick who were on mats to wherever they heard he was located.

⁵⁶ And wherever He entered villages, cities, or the country, they laid the sick in the marketplaces and begged Him to let them touch the fringe of His garment. And everyone who touched Him was healed.



Capernaum

(J6:22-7:1) The next day the people who had stayed on the other side of the lake noticed only one boat there. They knew Jesus hadn't entered the boat with His disciples, but His disciples had gone away by themselves. Other boats from

Tiberias had landed near the place where the people ate the bread after the Lord had given thanks. When the crowd realized that neither Jesus nor His disciples were there, they got into boats and sailed to Capernaum to look for Jesus. ²⁵ When they found Him on the other side of the sea, they asked Him, “Teacher, when did You come here?”

²⁶ Jesus replied, “You don’t seek Me because you saw miraculous signs, but because you ate the bread and were filled. ²⁷ Don’t work for food which perishes, but for food which remains to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For God the Father has given Him authority to do so.”

²⁸ Then they wanted to know, “What must we do to perform the works of God?”

²⁹ **Jesus answered them, “This is the work God demands: Believe in THE ONE He sent.”**

³⁰ So they asked Him, “What miraculous sign will You perform so we may see and believe You? What work will You do? ³¹ Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness. As it’s written, ‘He gave them bread out of heaven to eat.’”

³² Jesus said to them, “I tell you the truth, it wasn’t Moses who gave you the bread out of heaven, but it’s My Father who gives you the true bread out of heaven. ³³ For the bread of God comes down out of heaven and gives life to the world.” ³⁴ They said to Him, “Lord, give us this bread all the time.”

³⁵ Jesus replied, “I’m the bread of life. Whoever comes to Me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in Me will never get thirsty. ³⁶ But I told you that although you’ve seen Me, you don’t believe in Me. ³⁷ All those My Father gives Me will come to Me. And I’ll never reject anyone who comes to Me. ³⁸ For I’ve come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me. ³⁹ This is the will of My Father who sent Me, that I should not lose any of those He has given Me. But I should raise them up on the last day. ⁴⁰ This is the will of the One who sent Me, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in Him should have eternal life, and I’ll raise them up on the last day.”

⁴¹ The Jews began to grumble about Him saying, “I’m the bread which came down out of heaven.” ⁴² They scoffed, “Isn’t this Jesus, Joseph’s son, whose father and mother we know? So how can He say, ‘I have come down out of heaven?’” ⁴³ Jesus answered them, “Stop grumbling among yourselves. ⁴⁴ No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws them to Me, then I’ll raise them to life on the last day. ⁴⁵ In the prophets it’s written, ‘Everyone will be taught by God.’ Therefore, all who hear from the Father and learn from Him, will come to Me. ⁴⁶ Not that anyone has seen the Father, except He who is from God. He has seen the Father. ⁴⁷ Most certainly, I tell you, those who believe in Me have eternal life. ⁴⁸ I’m the bread of life. ⁴⁹ Your fathers ate the manna in

the wilderness and they died. ⁵⁰ This is the bread which comes down out of heaven, that anyone may eat it and not die.

⁵¹ I'm the living bread which came down from heaven. If anyone eats this bread, they will live forever. The bread which I'll give for the life of the world is My flesh." ⁵² The Jews therefore contended with one another, saying, "How can this man give us His flesh to eat?"

⁵³ Then Jesus said to them, "Most certainly I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you don't have life in yourselves. ⁵⁴ Those who continue to eat My flesh and drink My blood have eternal life, and I'll raise them up on the last day. ⁵⁵ For My flesh is real food, and My blood is real drink. ⁵⁶ Those who eat My flesh and drink My blood live in union with Me, and I in union them. ⁵⁷ Just as the living Father sent Me, and I live because of the Father, so those who continue feeding on Me will also live because of Me. ⁵⁸ This is the bread which came down out of heaven—not as our fathers ate the manna and died. He who continues to eat this bread will live forever."

⁵⁹ He said these things in the synagogue, as He taught in Capernaum.

⁶⁰ Many of His disciples, when they heard this, said, "This is a hard teaching. Who can listen to it?"

⁶¹ But Jesus knowing in Himself that His disciples

were grumbling about this, said to them, “Does this offend you? ⁶² Suppose you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where He was before? ⁶³ It’s the Spirit who gives life. The flesh offers no help at all. The words I speak to you are Spirit and life. ⁶⁴ But there are some of you who don’t believe.” Jesus knew from the beginning who didn’t believe, and who would betray Him. ⁶⁵ He said, “I told you that no one can come to Me, unless it’s granted by My Father.” ⁶⁶ At this, many of His disciples turned their back on Him and stopped following Him. ⁶⁷ So Jesus said to the twelve, “You don’t also want to leave, do you?” ⁶⁸ Simon Peter answered Him, “Lord, to whom would we go? You have the message that gives eternal life. ⁶⁹ We’ve come to believe and know that You’re the Christ, the Son of the living God.”

⁷⁰ Jesus answered them, “Didn’t I choose you as The Twelve? And yet one of you is a devil.” ⁷¹ He was referring to Judas, Simon Iscariot’s son, for he was going to betray Him, although he was one of the Twelve.

^(J7:1) After this Jesus walked about in Galilee, for He avoided Judea, because the Jews were trying to kill Him.