

The Servant King



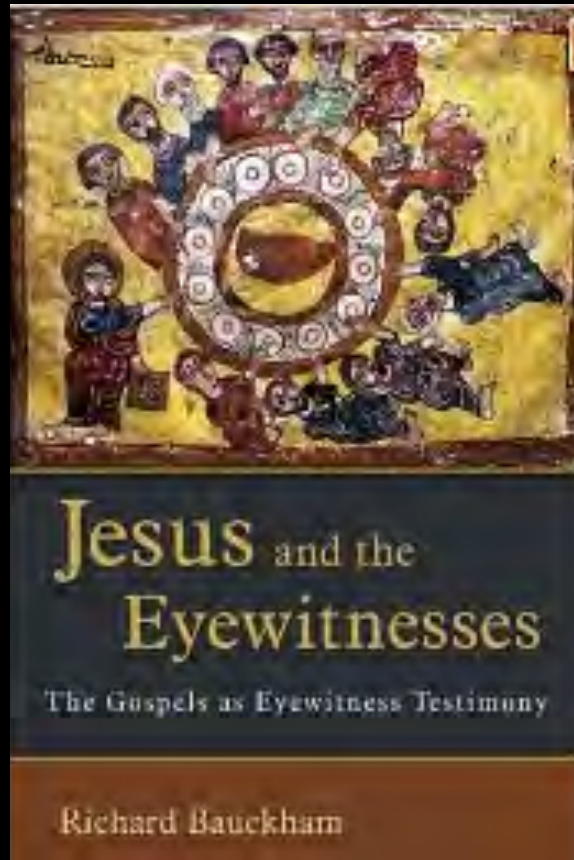
The story of the *King*... who came to *serve*.



Who is Mark?

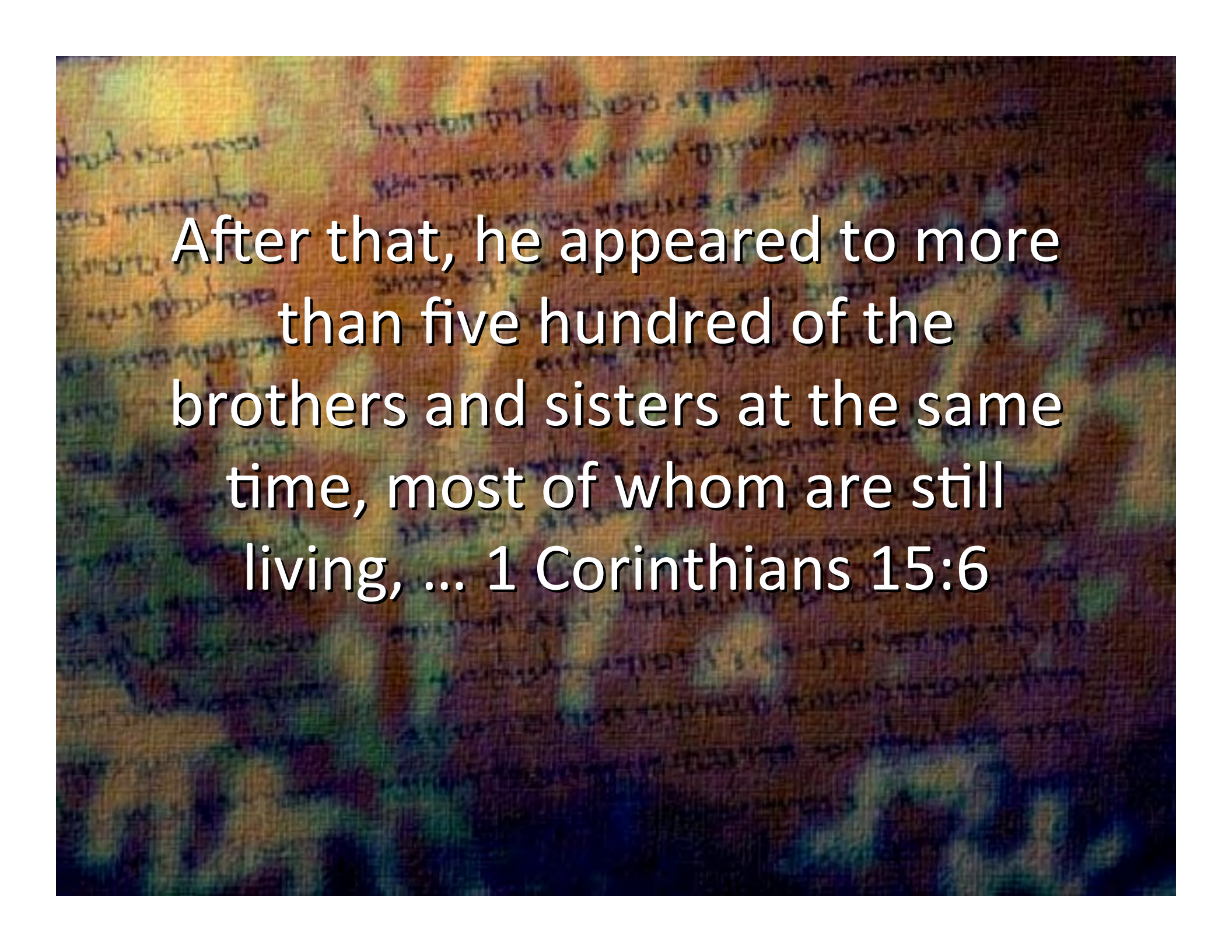
Secretary and translator to

Peter



Richard Bauckham

Cites extensive evidence that for decades after Jesus death and resurrection the people who were healed by Jesus and the disciples who had lived with Jesus for three years—continually and publicly repeated these incidents in great detail.



After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, ... 1 Corinthians 15:6



Many have undertaken to draw up an account of the things that have been fulfilled among us, 2 just as they were handed down to us by those who from the first were eyewitnesses and servants of the word. 3 With this in mind, since I myself have carefully investigated everything from the beginning, I too decided to write an orderly account for you, most excellent Theophilus, 4 so that you may know the certainty of the things you have been taught.

Luke 1:1-4



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Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

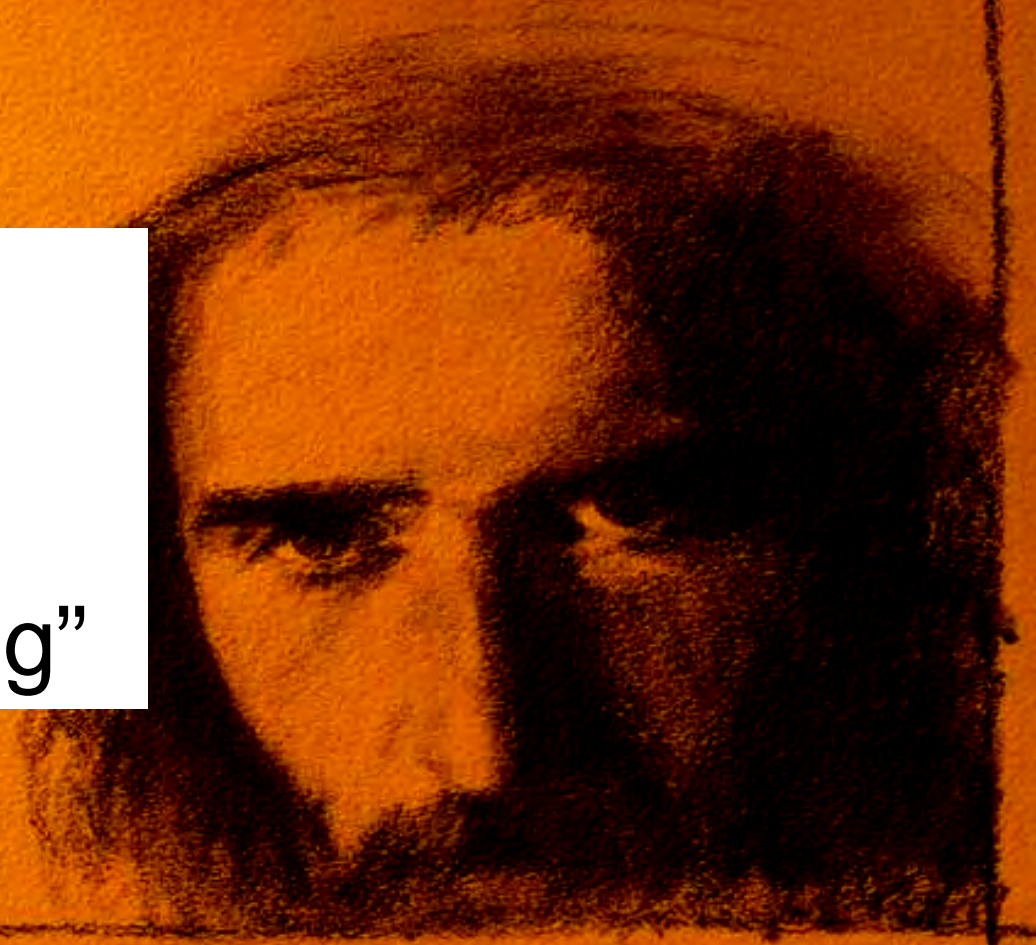
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Christos,
from Greek
means
“Anointed King”



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Christos,
synonymous
with Hebrew term
Messiah



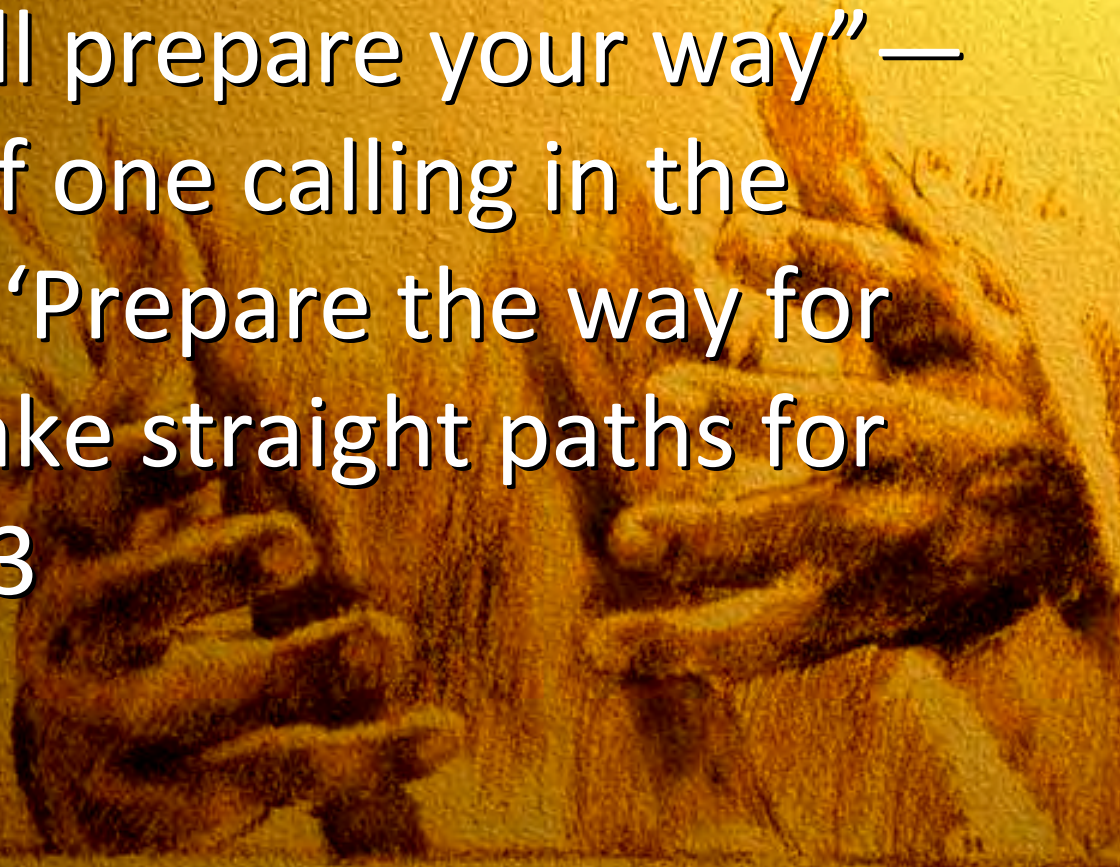


1. Who is He?

as it is written in Isaiah the prophet:

“I will send my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way” —

3 “a voice of one calling in the wilderness, ‘Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him.’” Vs. 2,3



Who is He?

'Prepare the way for the Lord,

In Isaiah the Hebrew
word we translate to
LORD is
YAHWEH


which is God's
personal covenant
name







- God's coming to us
will change the
motive of our hearts

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- God's coming to us
is the best
resource to deal
with our suffering.




- God's coming to us is a great motivator for peace and justice.



2. The Implications of Baptisms in the Desert

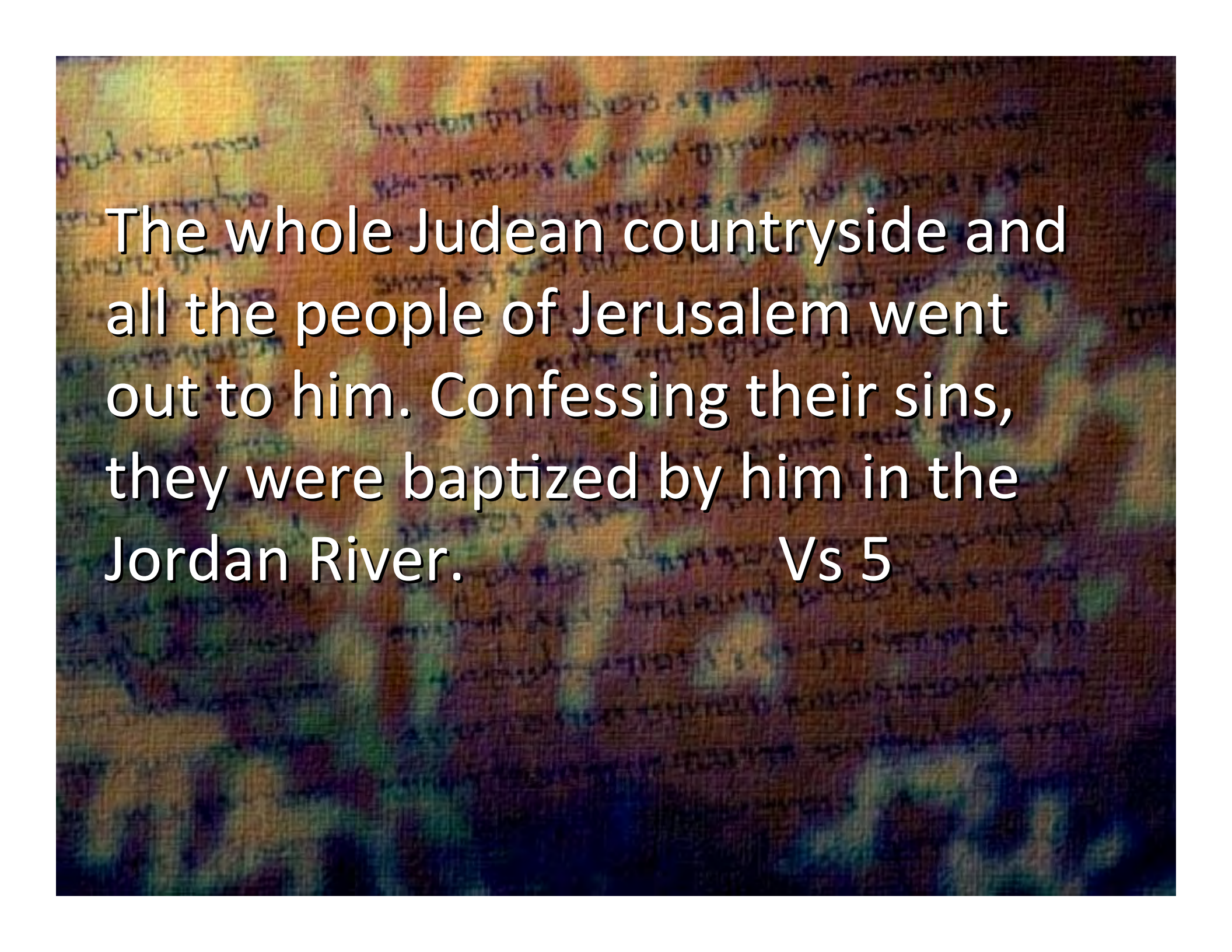
And so John the Baptist
appeared in the wilderness,
preaching a baptism
of repentance for the
forgiveness of sins. Vs 4





*“preaching a baptism
of repentance”*

Biblical “repentance”
is acknowledging one’s
guilt of sin and turning
to the LORD for
forgiveness.



The whole Judean countryside and
all the people of Jerusalem went
out to him. Confessing their sins,
they were baptized by him in the
Jordan River. Vs 5



3. Two roads, Two destinations.

He is a voice shouting
in the wilderness,
'Prepare the way
for the Lord's coming!
Clear the road for him!

Vs 3

