

# *Welcome to Sierra Community Church*



*Celebrating an amazing  
God in an amazing place!*

# The Servant King



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



# Mark 5:1-20

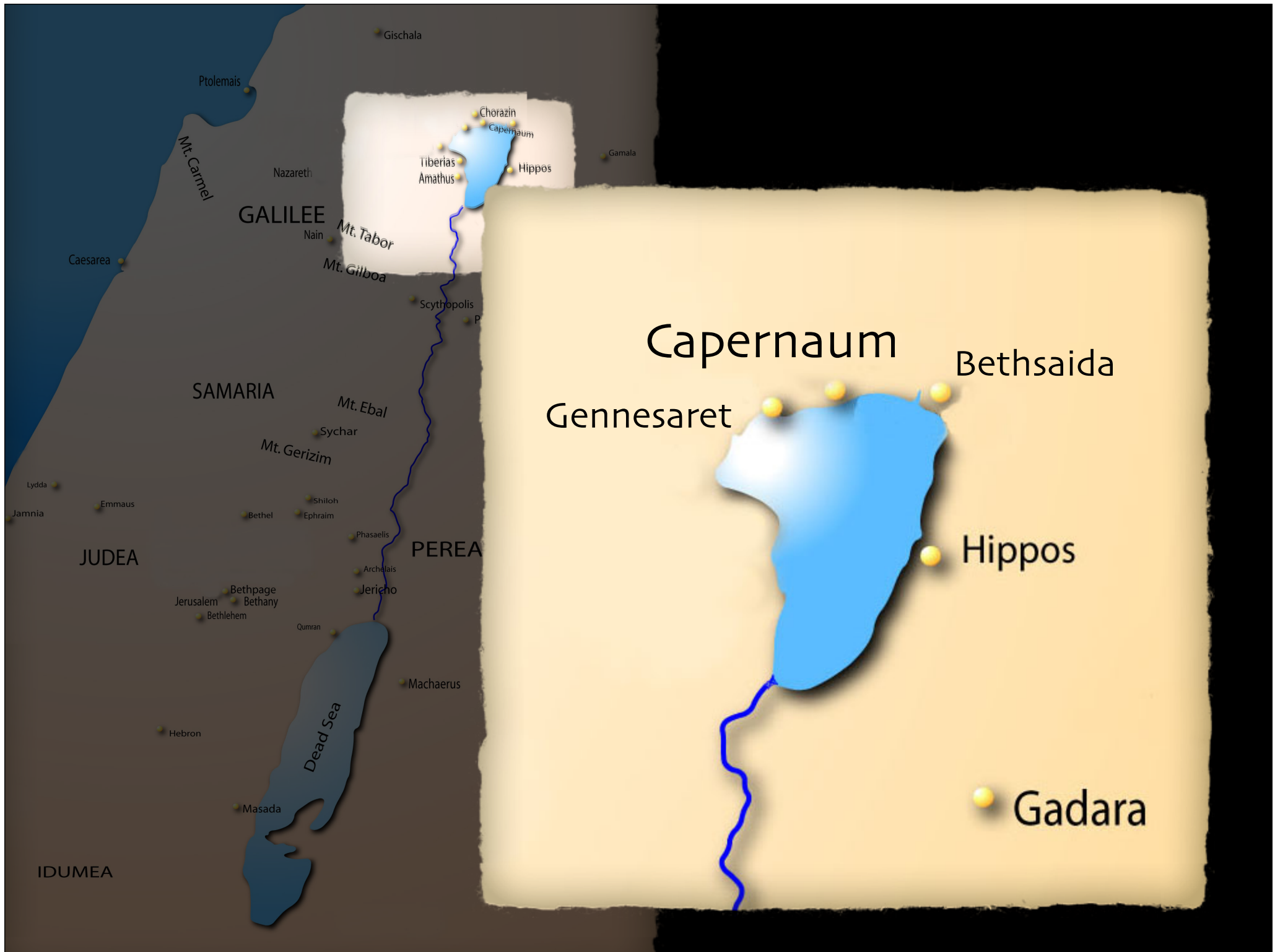


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GALILEE

SAMARIA

JUDEA

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Capernaum

Bethsaida

Gennesaret

Hippos

Gadara

Mt. Carmel

Mt. Tabor

Mt. Gilboa

Mt. Ebal

Mt. Gerizim

Dead Sea

Ptolemais

Nazareth

Nain

Gischala

Chorazin

Capernaum

Tiberias  
Amathus

Hippos

Gamala

Caesarea

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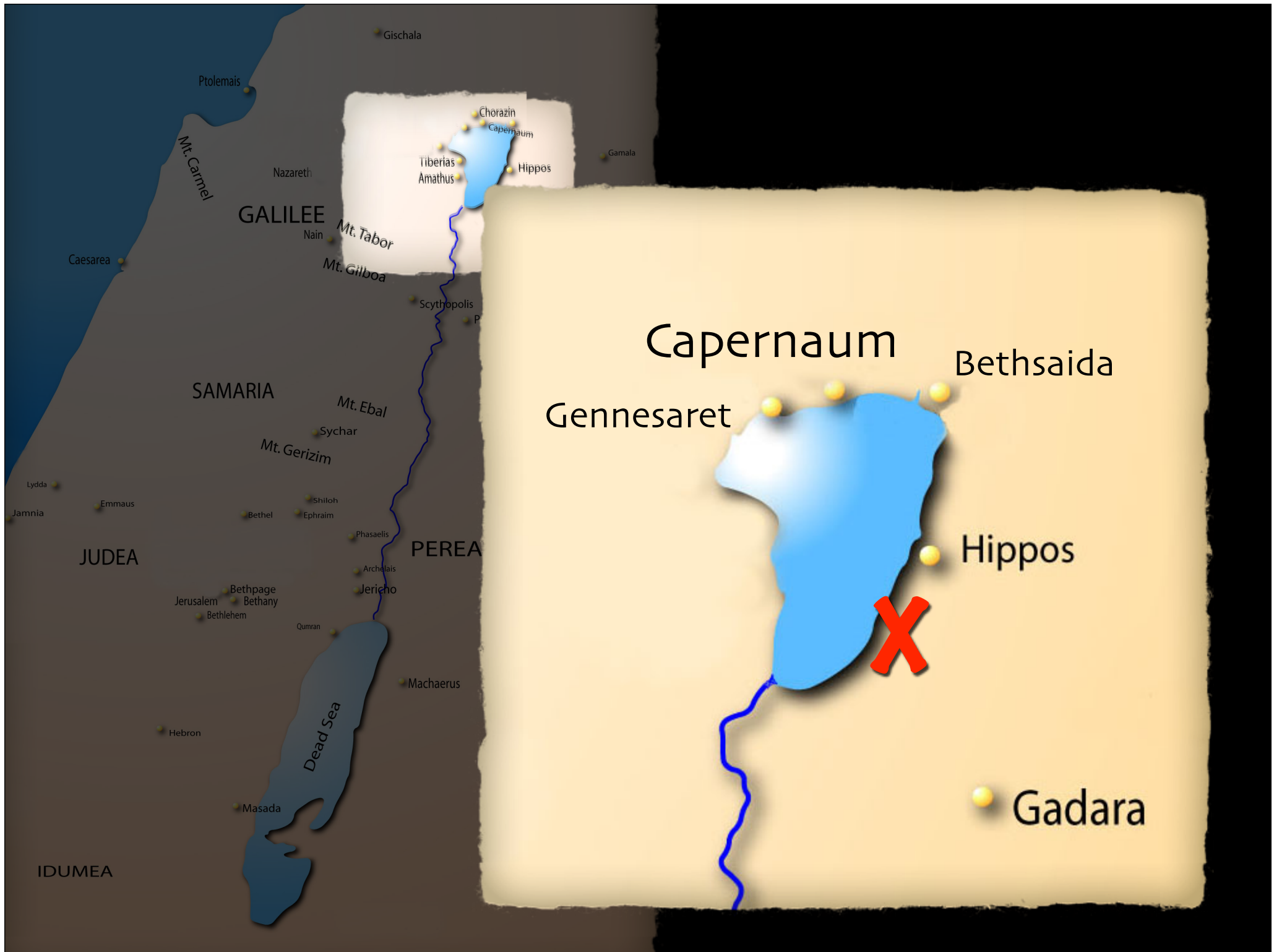
Bethlehem

Qumran

Machaerus

Hebron

Masada





Mark 4:35 - 6

# Relief & Restoration





# The Demons

## Reaction:

Fear! "Don't torture me!"

## Request:

They begged for Him not to send them out of the area. "Send us among the pigs."

## Response:

Granted -off to the pigs!



# The Town

## Reaction:

Afraid!

4:41 "they were terrified"

5:6 "swear you won't torture me"

5:15 "they were afraid"

5:32 "trembling with fear"



# The Town

## Reaction:

Afraid!

4:41 "they

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*"Safe?"* said Mr. Beaver. "Who said anything about safe? 'Course he isn't safe. But he's good. He's the King, I tell you." -*C.S. Lewis*





# The Town

Reaction:

Afraid!

Request:

Pleaded with Jesus to leave!

Response:

Granted - Left in the boat.



Calvin Stowe... toured England and he preached before a large crowd gathered to observe anti-slavery day. He told the listeners in no uncertain terms that they were hypocrites. They were proud that slavery had long since disappeared in England.



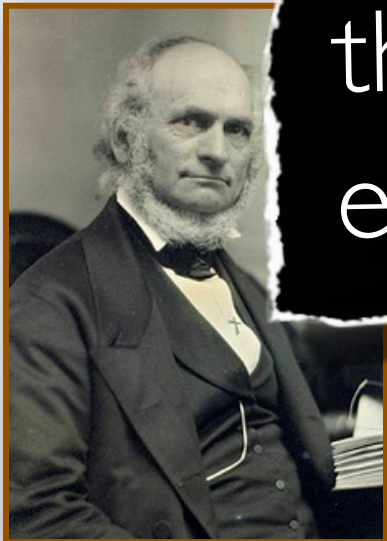
But 80% of the cotton picked by slaves in the southern states was bought by England. He said slavery would die in America if England would boycott its cotton and went on to ask “Are you willing to sacrifice one penny to do away with slavery?” The crowd booed him.





But 80% of the cotton picked by slaves  
in the South was sent to England  
England  
America  
cotton

Healing, Compassion, and  
evangelism have their costs,  
and many do not want to  
pay. Perhaps people fear that  
they will be healed at the  
expense of losing more pigs.



crowd booed him.



# The Man

Reaction:

Rejoiced!

Request:

He begged to go with Jesus!

Response:

Denied! - Returned to his home.



For Us...

There might  
be more going  
on here than  
meets the  
eye...





**Beware...**

For Us...

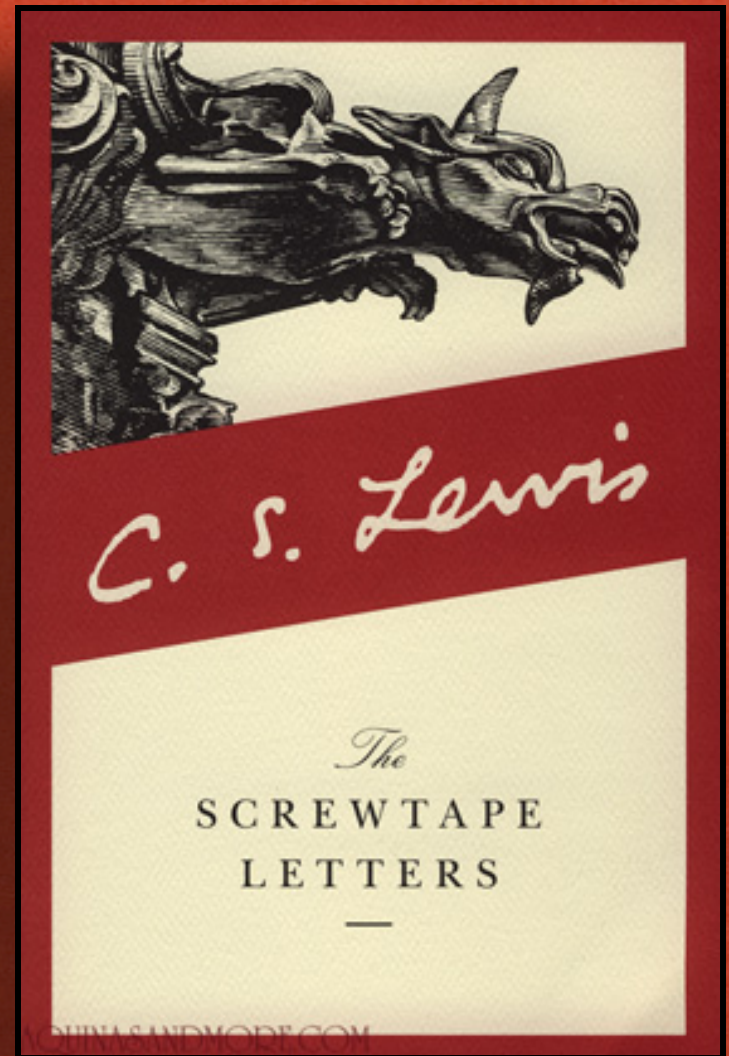
1. Focus on the spiritual realm can become exaggerated.
2. *"The devil made me do it"*, can become an excuse to avoid personal responsibility.
3. Demon "possession" is rare.



*There are two errors we make about demons. 1: is to disbelieve in their existence, 2: is to believe and feel excessive interest in them.*

-C.S. Lewis

For Us...





Key...

For Us...

Allowing God to work  
in our live means  
**GIVING** Him control.



**Remember...**

For Us...

The man was naked,  
wounded and alone.  
In a short time Jesus  
would be too.

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