

A scenic view of a lake with large rocks and evergreen trees under a blue sky. The water is clear and blue, with many large, smooth rocks scattered throughout. The sky is a deep blue, and the trees are lush green. The overall scene is peaceful and natural.

# *Welcome to Sierra Community Church*

*“Be still, and know that I am God” -Psalm 46:10*

*6/9/13*



# Lessons from the Land

*Life Lessons from Places in the Bible*

# Where we have visited

Aram



Caesarea Maritima

Mt. Carmel

Beth Shemesh

Tel Gezer

Jerusalem

Herodion

Mt. Sinai

The Sea Of Galilee

Jordan River

Jericho

The Dead Sea

Masada

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# Living in the Crossroads



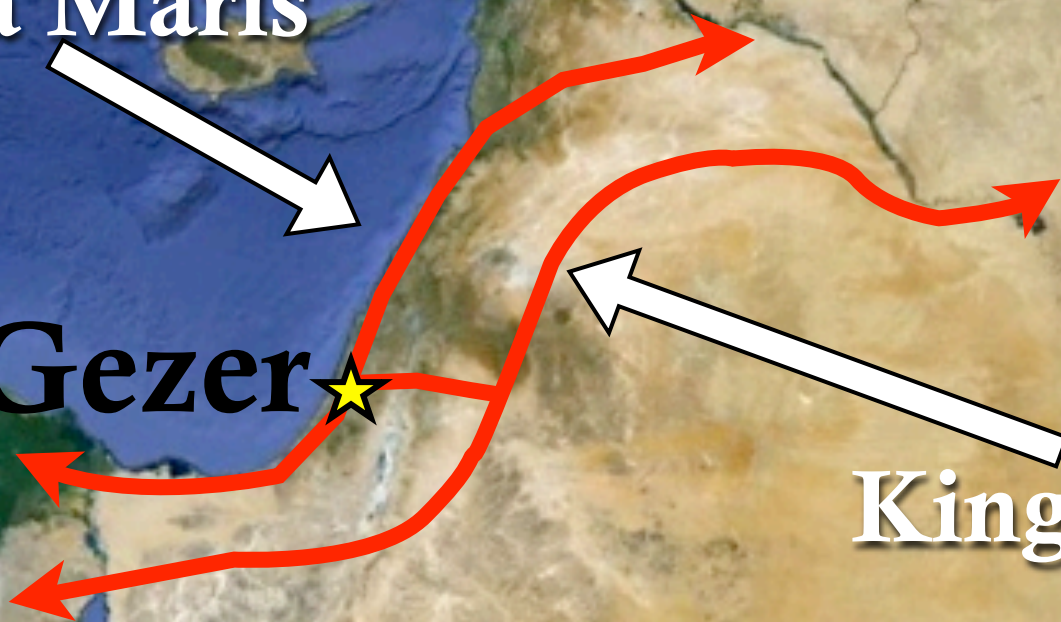
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Tel Gezer



Kings Highway



<sup>13</sup>“You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

<sup>14</sup>“You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. <sup>15</sup> Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house.

<sup>16</sup> In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven. -Matthew 5:13-16

Living as Salt and Light

# The 12 Tribes

# Judah



# The Divided Kingdom

*1 Kings 12*

*2 Chronicles 10*



Samaria

Israel

Judah



# In the Time of Jesus

The Samaritan woman said to him, “You are a Jew and I am a Samaritan woman. How can you ask me for a drink?” (*For Jews do not associate with Samaritans.*)

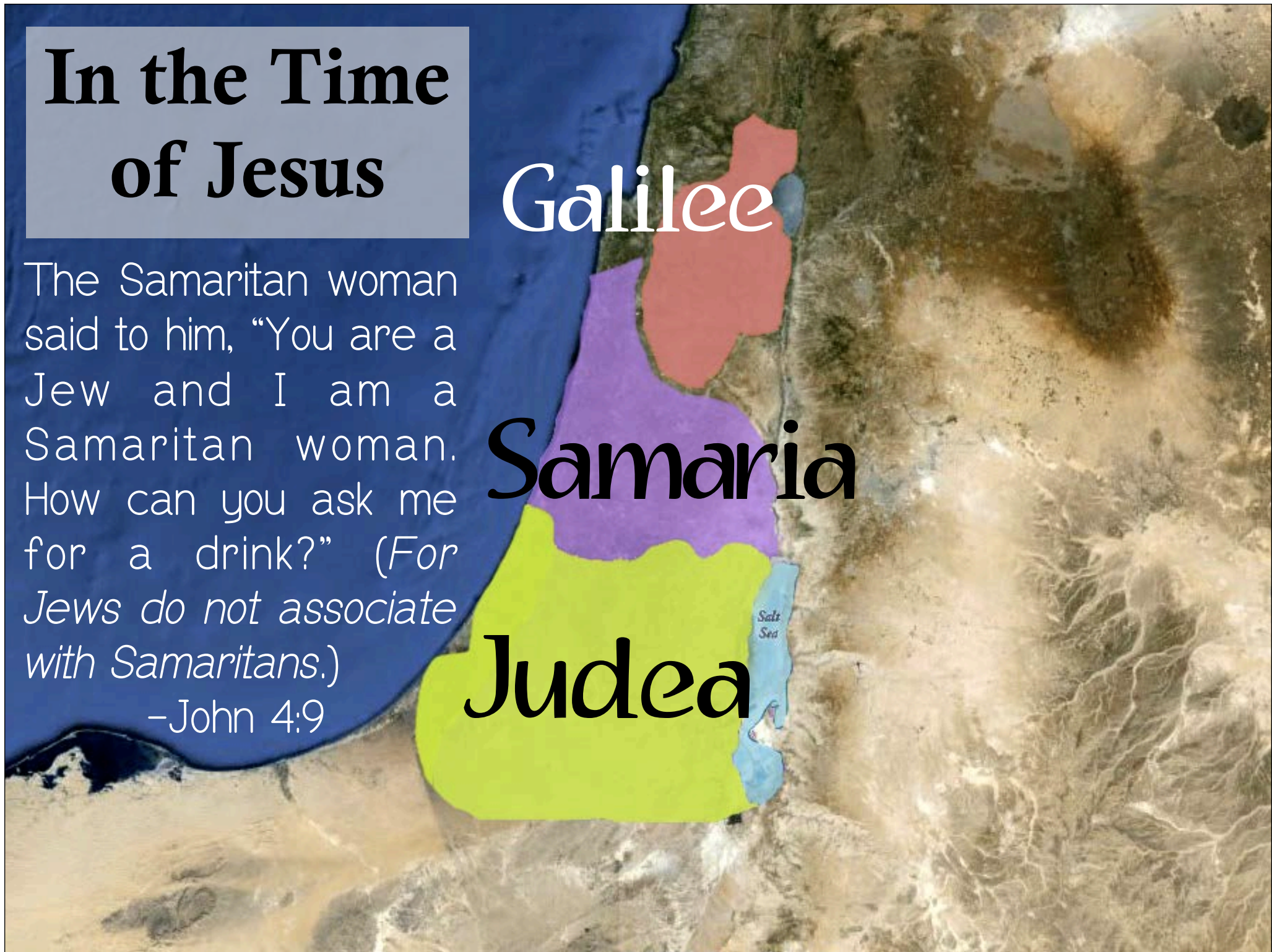
—John 4:9

Galilee

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## Pitfall #1:

Being **Shaped** by the World.

- a. We end up being shaped by the world because it's the path of least **resistance**.
- b. We end up being shaped by the world believing it's a **necessity** to survive.
- c. We end up being shaped by the world because we become **enamored** with what it offers.

Pitfall #2:

**REJECTING** the World.

- a. We end up rejecting the world when we start believing everything in it is **evil**.
  
- b. We end up rejecting the world because we believe that **other people** are what's wrong with the world - not us.

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# Following Jesus' Example

- a. Jesus **pursued** both the "rule keepers" and the "rule breakers", so should we.
- b. As you share with others be **creative** & learn to speak your cultures **native language**.
- c. Live with **humility**: be quick to ask others for forgiveness and be gracious with others when they blow it.
- d. Live authentically: celebrate, cry and get angry!

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Light and Love



Public Notice  
6/6/2013  
**SHARK WARNING**  
Water Advisory

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**5:30pm 6/5/2013 - Capitola**

A female kayaker reported a shark encounter about a quarter mile off Capitola Wharf. The kayaker took a series of go pro photos and submitted them via email. The Pelagic Shark Research Foundation estimated the shark to be a Great White approximately 12 to 15 feet in length. The kayaker was unharmed but the kayak received minor bump and lobe damage.

**6:47pm 6/5/2013 - Capitola/Private**

Two fishermen reported seeing a large shark feeding on a gray whale carcass approximately a mile out between Capitola Wharf and Private Beach.

**8:52pm 6/5/2013 - Pleasure Point/Rockview**

A male paddle boarder reported a shark attack upon his SUP about 100 yards outside the kelp line. The paddle boarder was unharmed but his board sustained significant damage. The bite radius was approximately 14 inches indicating it was made by a shark 12 to 15 feet in length.

**DUE TO THE HIGHLY AGGRESSIVE NATURE OF THESE ENCOUNTERS IT IS STRONGLY ADVISED TO STAY OUT OF THE WATER FOR 48 HOURS OR SURF COWELLS INSTEAD.**

CALIFORNIA STATE PARKS DEPARTMENT - 4000 BOULDER STREET - SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94112-5000



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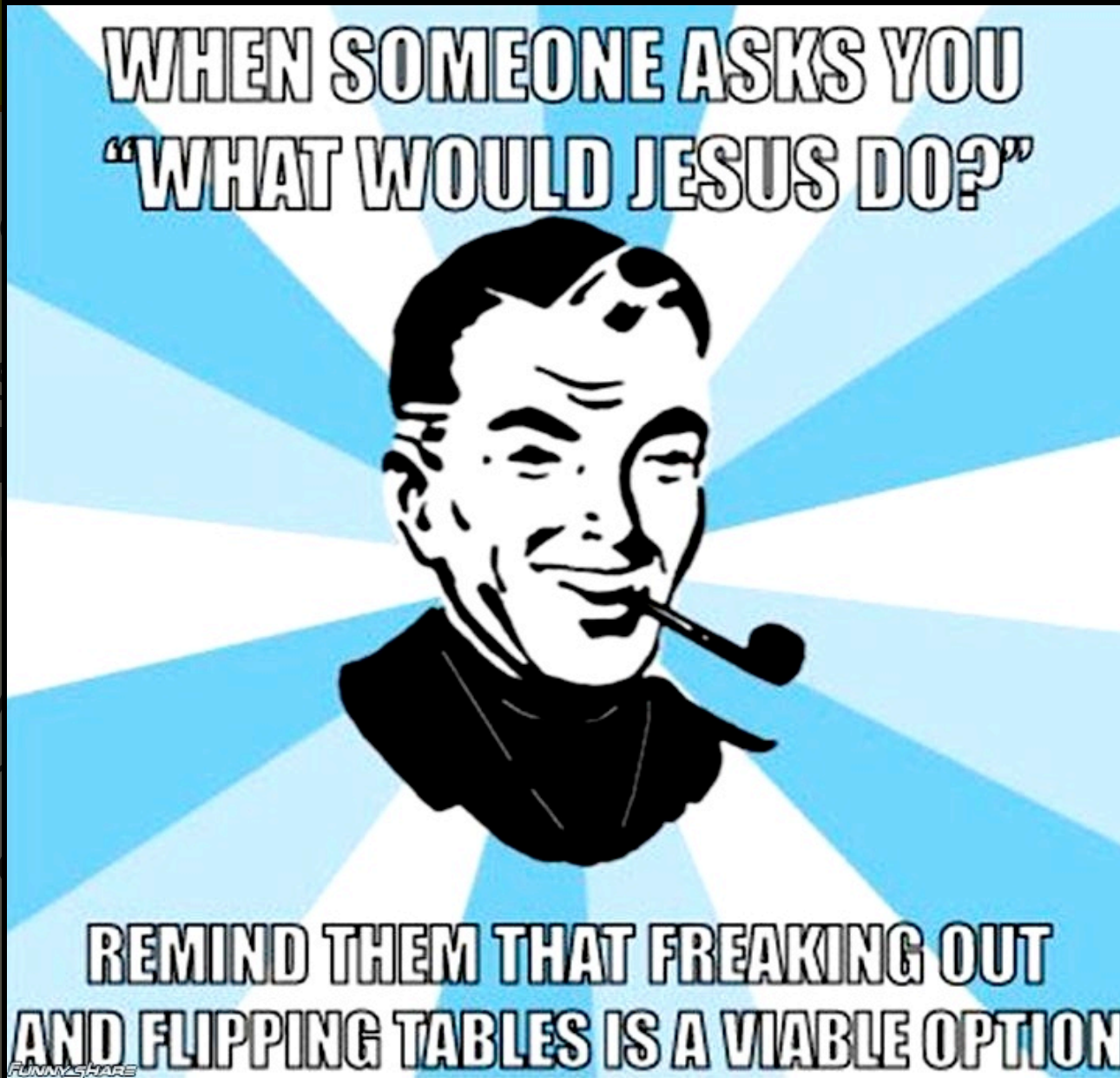
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