

## PRAYER BEFORE READING THE BIBLE

SHINE within my heart, Loving Master, the pure light of Your Divine knowledge, and open the eyes of my mind that I may understand Your teaching. Instill in me reverence for Your commandments, so that having conquered my sinful desires, I may pursue a spiritual way of life, thinking and doing all those things that are pleasing in Your sight. For You, Christ our God, are my light and my life, and to You we render glory together with Your Eternal Father ✠ and Your All-Holy Spirit, now and always, and forever and ever. Amen.

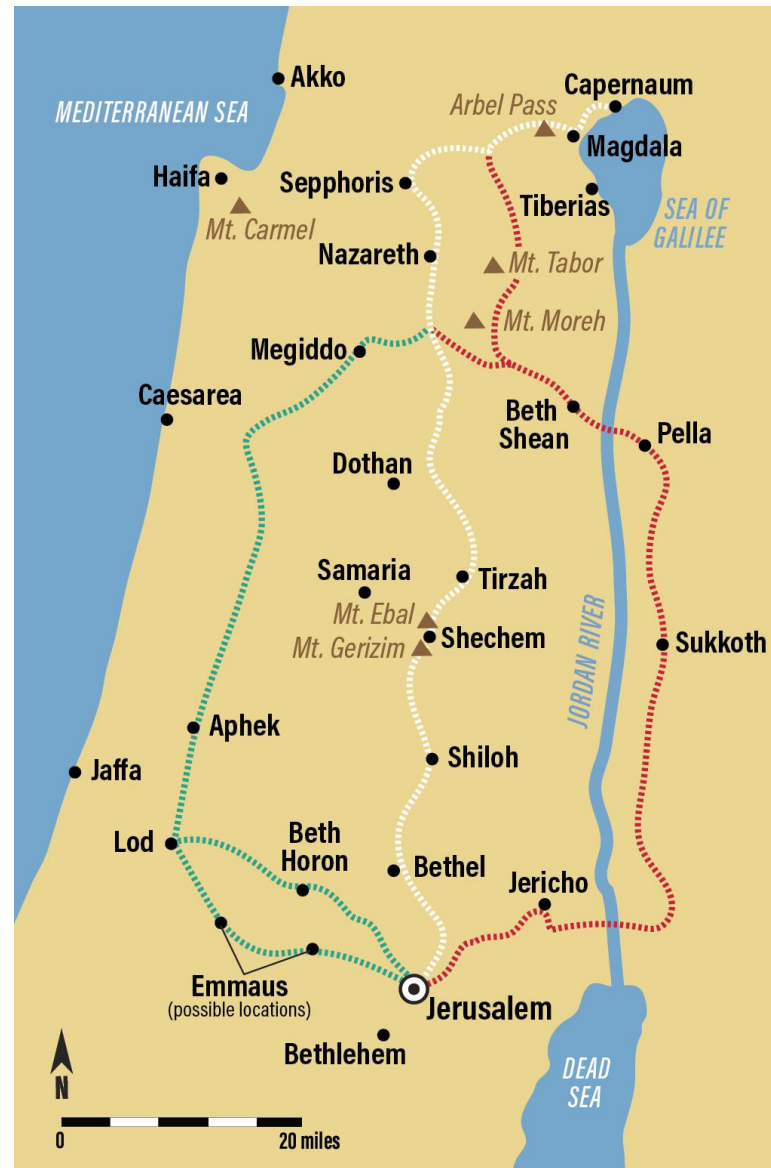
# John 4 Continued

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- 2. The Samaritan Woman**
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**[The Second Sign]**
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[Proverbs 27:7 RSV]

He who is sated  
loathes honey, but  
to one who is hungry  
everything bitter is

[John 4:21-24 RSV] Jesus said to her,  
"Woman, believe me, the hour is coming  
when neither on this mountain nor in  
Jerusalem will you worship the Father.  
You worship what you do not know; we  
worship what we know, for salvation is  
from the Jews. But the hour is coming,  
and now is, when the true worshipers will  
worship the Father in spirit and truth,  
for such the Father seeks to worship him.

[John 4:25 RSV] The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ); when he comes, he will show us all things."

[John 4:26 RSV] Jesus said

λέγει αὐτῇ ὁ Ἰησοῦς **ἐγώ εἰμι ὁ**  
λαλῶν σοι  
καὶ εἶπεν ὁ θεὸς πρὸς Μωυσῆν **ἐγώ εἰμι ὁ ὢν**

[John 4:27 RSV] Just then his disciples came. They marveled that he was talking with a woman, but none said, "What do you wish?" or, "Why are you talking with her?"

[John 4:28-30 RSV] So the woman left her water jar, and went away into the city, and said to the people, "Come, see a man who told me all that I ever

[John 4:31-32 RSV]

Meanwhile the  
disciples besought  
him, saying, "Rabbi,  
eat." But he said to  
them, "I have food to

[John 4:33-38 RSV] So the disciples said to one another, "Has any one brought him food?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me, and to accomplish his work. Do you not say, 'There are yet four months, then comes the harvest'? I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see how the fields are already white for harvest. He who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may



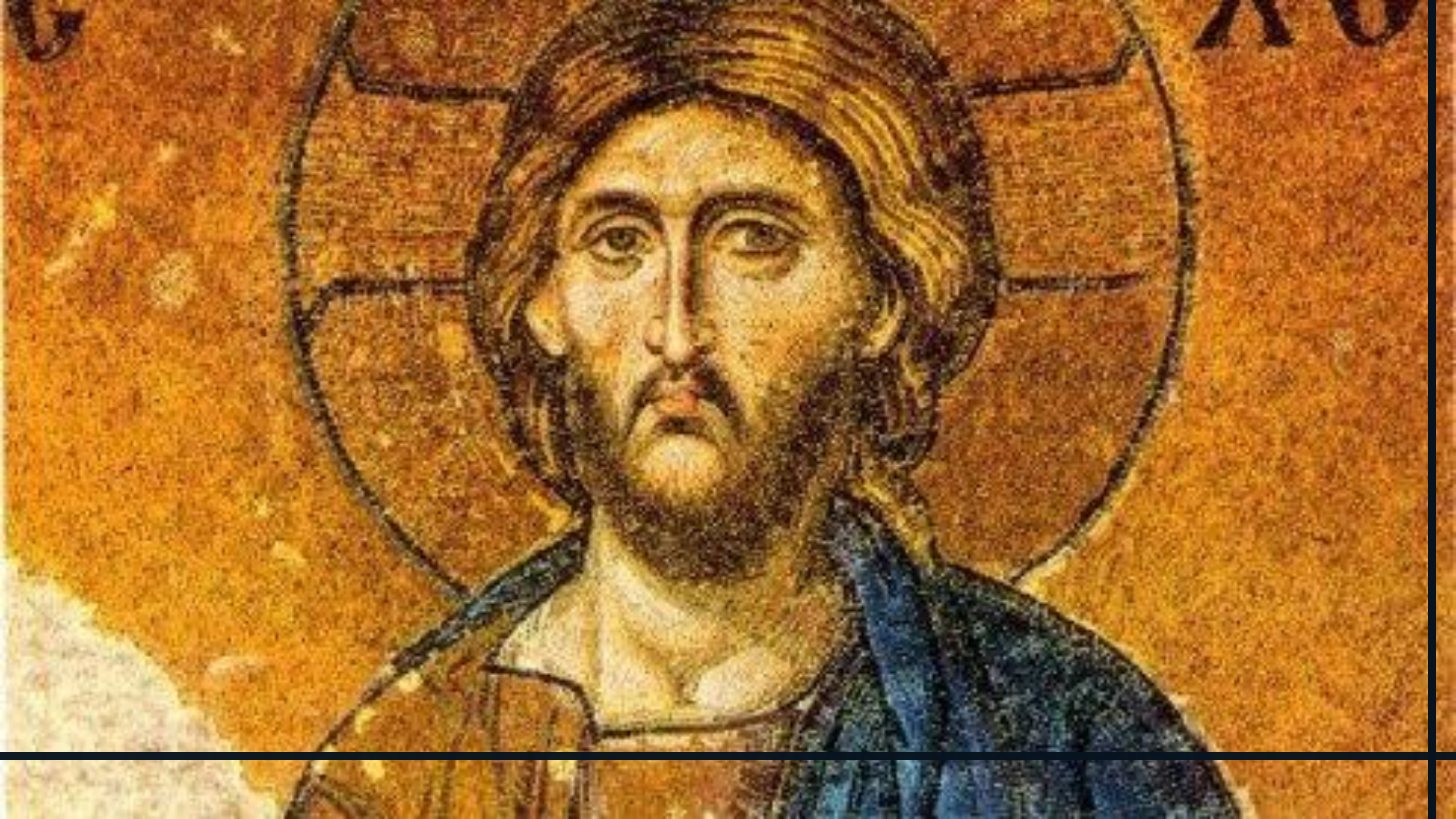
[Job 31:8 RSV]

then let me sow,  
and another eat;  
and let what  
grows for me be

[Micah 6:15 RSV] You  
shall sow, but not  
reap; you shall tread  
olives, but not anoint  
yourselves with oil;  
you shall tread grapes,



[John 4:39-45 RSV] Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me all that I ever did." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of your words that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is indeed the Savior of the world." After the two days he departed to Galilee. For Jesus himself testified that a prophet has no honor in his own country. So when he came to Galilee, the Galileans welcomed him, having seen all that he had done in Jerusalem at the feast, for they too had gone to the feast.





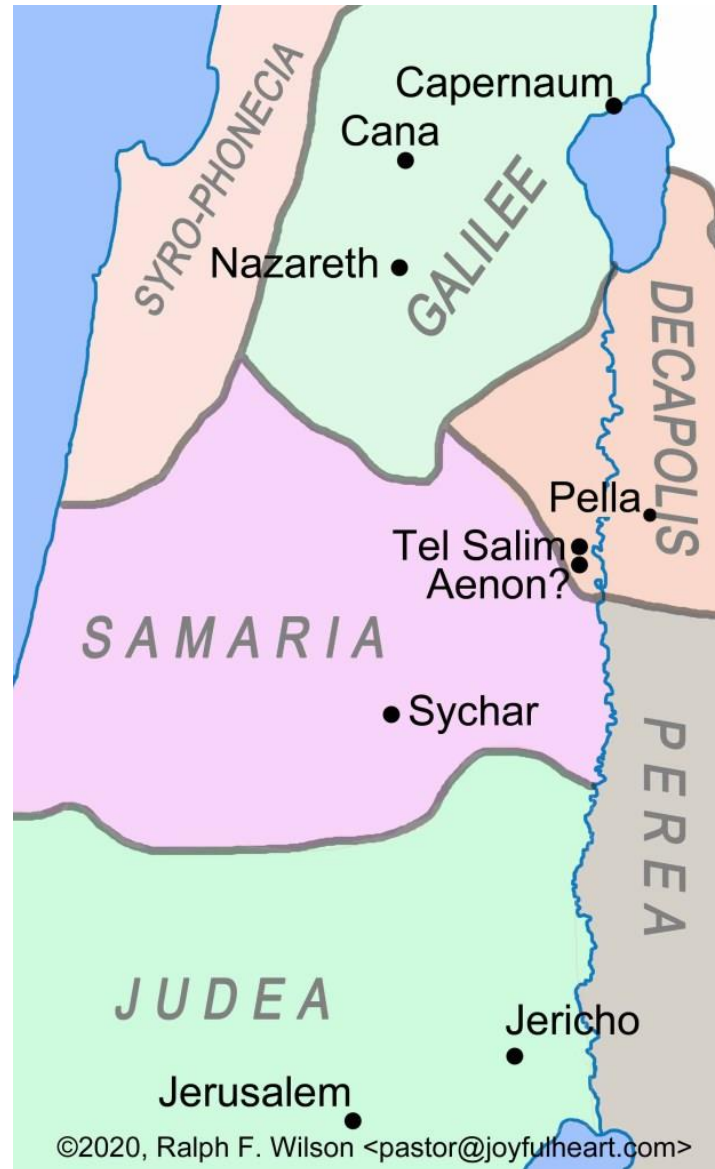
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[Matthew 13:53-55, 57-58 RSV] And when Jesus had finished these parables, he went away from there, and coming to his own country he taught them in their synagogue, so that they were astonished, and said, "Where did this man get this wisdom and these mighty works? Is not this the carpenter's son? Is not his mother called Mary? And are not his brothers James and Joseph and Simon and Judas? ... And they took offense at him. But Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his own country and in his own house." And he did not do many mighty works there, because of their unbelief.

[John 1:11 RSV]

He came to his  
own home, and his  
own people  
received him not.

[John 4:46 RSV] So he came again to Cana in Galilee, where he had made the water wine. And at Caper'na-um there was an official whose son was ill.



[John 4:47 RSV] When he heard that Jesus had come from Judea to Galilee, he went and begged him to come down and heal his son, for he was at the point of death.

[John 4:48 RSV]

Jesus therefore said  
to him, "Unless you  
see signs and  
wonders you will not  
believe."

[John 4:49 RSV]

The official said  
to him, "Sir,  
come down  
before my child  
dies."



[John 4:50  
RSV] Jesus  
said to  
him, "Go;  
your son  
will live."  
The man  
believed  
the word  
that Jesus  
spoke to  
him and



[John 4:51-53  
RSV] As he was  
going down, his  
servants met  
him and told  
him that his  
son was living.  
So he asked  
them the hour  
when he began  
to mend, and  
they said to  
him, "Yesterday  
at the seventh  
hour the fever  
left him." The  
father knew  
that was the  
hour when Jesus  
had said to  
him "Your son







[John 4:48 RSV] Jesus therefore said to him, "Unless you see signs and wonders you will not believe."

4:48 εἶπεν οὖν ὁ Ἰησοῦς πρὸς αὐτόν ἐὰν μὴ σημεῖα καὶ τέρατα ἴδητε οὐ μὴ πιστεύσητε

[Mark 9:24 RSV]

Immediately the  
father of the child  
cried out and said,  
"I believe; help my  
unbelief!"

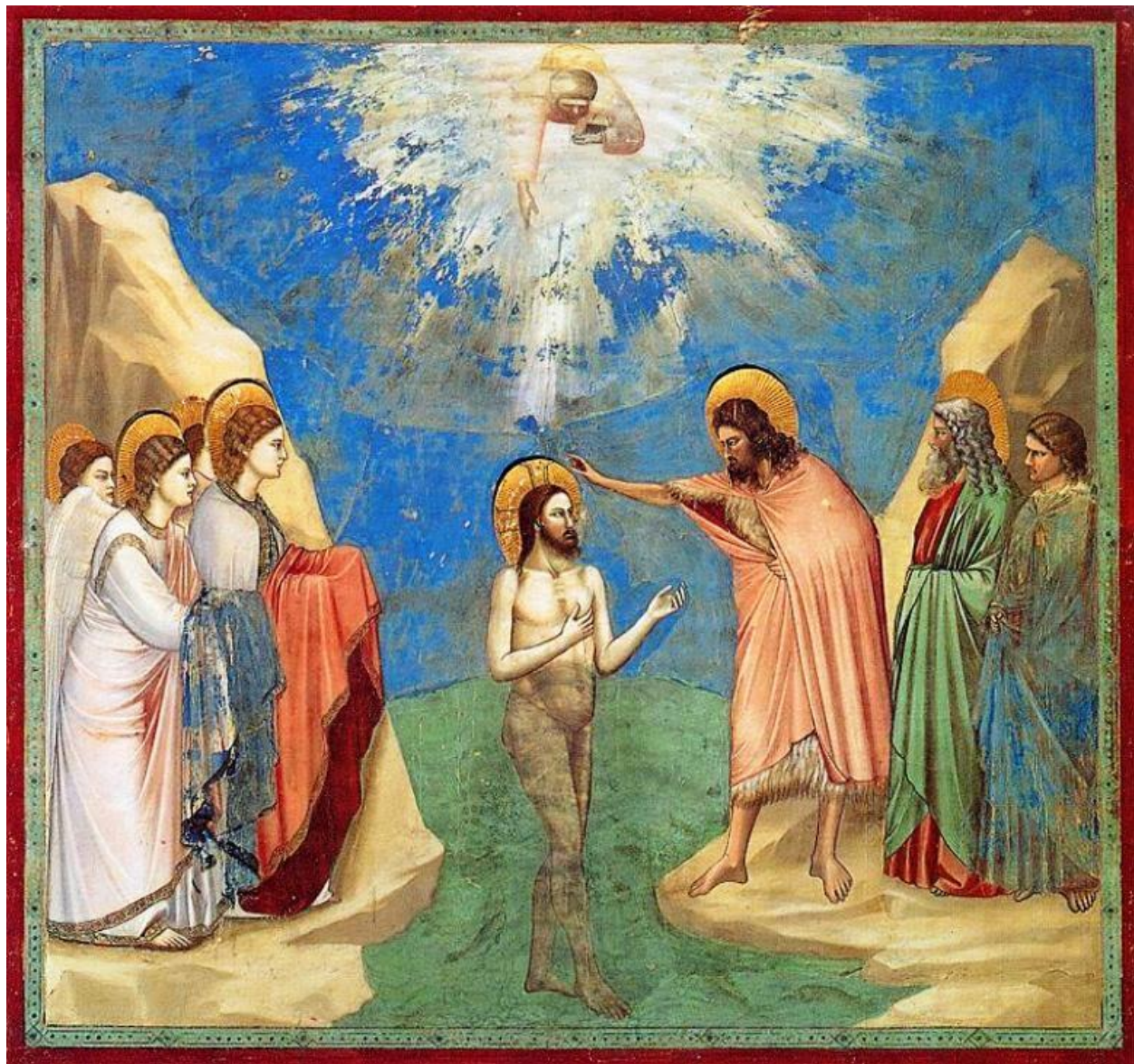
[Proverbs 4:18 RSV]

But the path of the  
righteous is like the  
light of dawn, which  
shines brighter and  
brighter until full  
day.

John 4:1-42

A(4:1-9)	4:9 For Jews use nothing in common with Samaritans. (4:9) (Σαμαριῖταις)
B(4:10)	4:10 he would have given you living water (4:10) (ὕδωρ ζῶν)
C(4:11-12)	4:11 where then can you get this living water?(4:11) (ἐχέει)
D(4:13-14)	4:14 but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst (4:14)
E(4:15)	4:15 Sir, give me this water (4:15)
F(4:16-18)	4:17 You are right in saying, 'I do not have a husband.' (4:17)
G(4:19-20)	4:19 Sir, I can see that you are a prophet (4:19)" (προφήτης)
H(4:21-24)	4:23 when true worshipers will worship the Father in Spirit and truth (4:23)
G'(4:25-26)	4:25 I know that the Messiah is coming (4:25) (Μεσσίας)
F'(4:27-29)	4:29 Come see a man who told me everything I have done (4:29)
E'(4:30-31)	4:31 Rabbi, eat (4:31)
D'(4:32)	4:32 I have food to eat of which you do not know (4:32)
C'(4:33)	4:33 Could someone have brought him something to eat? (4:33) (ἤνεγκεν)
B'(4:34-38)	4:34 My food is to do the will of the one who sent me and to finish his work (4:34) (βρῶμά)
A'(4:39-42)	4:40 When the Samaritans came to him, they invited him to stay with them (4:40)" (Σαμαριῖται)

A: Samaritans. B: Living water and food. C: Bringing the water and food. D: Unknown food. E: Asking for water, giving a food. F: Prophecy. G: Prophet and Messiah. H: To worship the Father in Spirit and truth.

















[John 5:1 RSV] After this  
there was a feast of the  
Jews, and Jesus went up to  
Jerusalem.


And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, “Speak to the people of Israel and say to them, when you come into the land that I give you and reap its harvest, you shall bring the sheaf of the firstfruits of your harvest to the priest, and he shall wave the sheaf before the LORD, so that you may be accepted. On the day after the Sabbath the priest shall wave it.” (Leviticus 23:9-11)

You shall count seven full weeks from the day after the Sabbath, from the day that you brought the sheaf of the wave offering. You shall count **fifty days** to the day after the seventh Sabbath. Then you shall present a grain offering

[John 5:2 RSV] Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, in Hebrew called Beth-za'tha, which has five porticoes.

[Nehemiah 3:1 RSV]

Then Eli'ashib the  
high priest rose up  
with his brethren the  
priests and they built  
the Sheep Gate.



Sheep Gate

Tower of Meah

Tower of Hananeel

Then Eliashib the high priest rose up with his brethren the priests, and they builded the sheep gate; they sanctified it, and set up the doors of it; even unto the tower of Meah they sanctified it, unto the tower of Hananeel (3:1).



[John 5:3-5 RSV] In  
these lay a multitude  
of invalids, blind,  
lame, paralyzed.

Other ancient authorities insert, wholly or in part, starting at the end of verse 3, [waiting for the moving of the water; {4} for an angel of the Lord went down at certain seasons into the pool, and troubled the water; whoever stepped in first after the troubling of the water was healed of whatever disease he had.]

[John 5:5 RSV]

One man was  
there, who had  
been ill for

40 years.



The perseverance of the paralytic is astounding. For thirty-eight years he lay there waiting, each year hoping to be healed, but always prevented by those who were stronger. Yet he neither gave up, nor despaired. This is why the Lord questioned him, in order to show us the steadfastness of the man, and not of course because He was ignorant of the answer. Not only was it unnecessary for Him to learn the answer, it would have been foolish for anyone to ask such a question, whether a sick man wanted to be healed. The Lord spoke as He did only to bring to our attention the patience of the man. How does he answer? With great kindness and gentleness. "Yea, Lord, I wish to be healed, but I have no man who is able to carry me into the water." He does not answer with blasphemy; he does not rebuke Christ for asking a stupid question; he does not curse the day of his birth as we often do, fainthearted as we are, when undergoing a much lesser affliction than his. He answers meekly and pleadingly, indeed not knowing to Whom he was speaking, and also intending perhaps to ask Christ to carry him into the water. —Theophylact of Ochrid

[John 5:6 RSV] When Jesus saw him and knew that he had been lying there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be healed?"



extreme goodness of Christ, that He doth not wait for entreaties from the sick, but forecometh their request by His Loving Kindness. For He runneth, as you see, to him as he lieth, and compassionateth him that was sick without comfort. But the enquiry whether he would like to be relieved from his infirmity was not that of one asking out of ignorance a thing manifest and evident to all, but of one stirring up to more earnest desire, and inciting to most diligent entreaty. The question whether he willed to obtain what he longed for is big with a kind of force and expression, that He has the power to give, and is even now ready thereto, and only waits for the request of him who

[John 5:7 RSV] The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is troubled, and while I am going another steps down before me."



[John 5:8-9 RSV]  
Jesus said to  
him, "Rise, take  
up your pallet,  
and walk." And at  
once the man was  
healed, and he  
took up his  
pallet and

[Psalm 1:1-2 RSV] Blessed  
is the man who walks not in  
the counsel of the wicked,  
nor stands in the way of  
sinners, nor sits in the  
seat of scoffers; but his  
delight is in the law of  
the LORD, and on his law he

said to the man  
who was cured,  
"It is the  
sabbath, it is  
not lawful for  
you to carry your  
pallet." But he  
answered them,  
"The man who  
healed me said to  
me, 'Take up your  
pallet, and  
walk.'" They  
asked him, "Who  
is the man who  
said to you,  
'Take up your



[John 5:13 RSV] Now  
the man who had been  
healed did not know  
who it was, for Jesus  
had withdrawn, as  
there was a crowd in



[John 5:14 RSV] Afterward,  
Jesus found him in the  
temple, and said to him,  
"See, you are well! Sin no  
more, that nothing worse  
befall you."

[John 5:15-16 RSV] The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had healed him. And this was why the Jews persecuted Jesus, because he did this on the

[John 5:17 RSV]

But Jesus  
answered them,  
"My Father is  
working still,

Glorious Saint Raymond of  
Peñafort, wise and holy patron,  
come to the aid of those entrusted  
to your care, and all who flee to  
your protection. Intercede for us  
in our need, and help us through  
your prayers, example, and  
teaching, to proclaim the truth of  
the Gospel to all we meet. And  
when we have reached the  
fullness of our years, we beseech  
you to guide us home to heaven,  
to live in peace with you, Our  
Mother Mary, and Our Lord  
Jesus Christ. Amen.

