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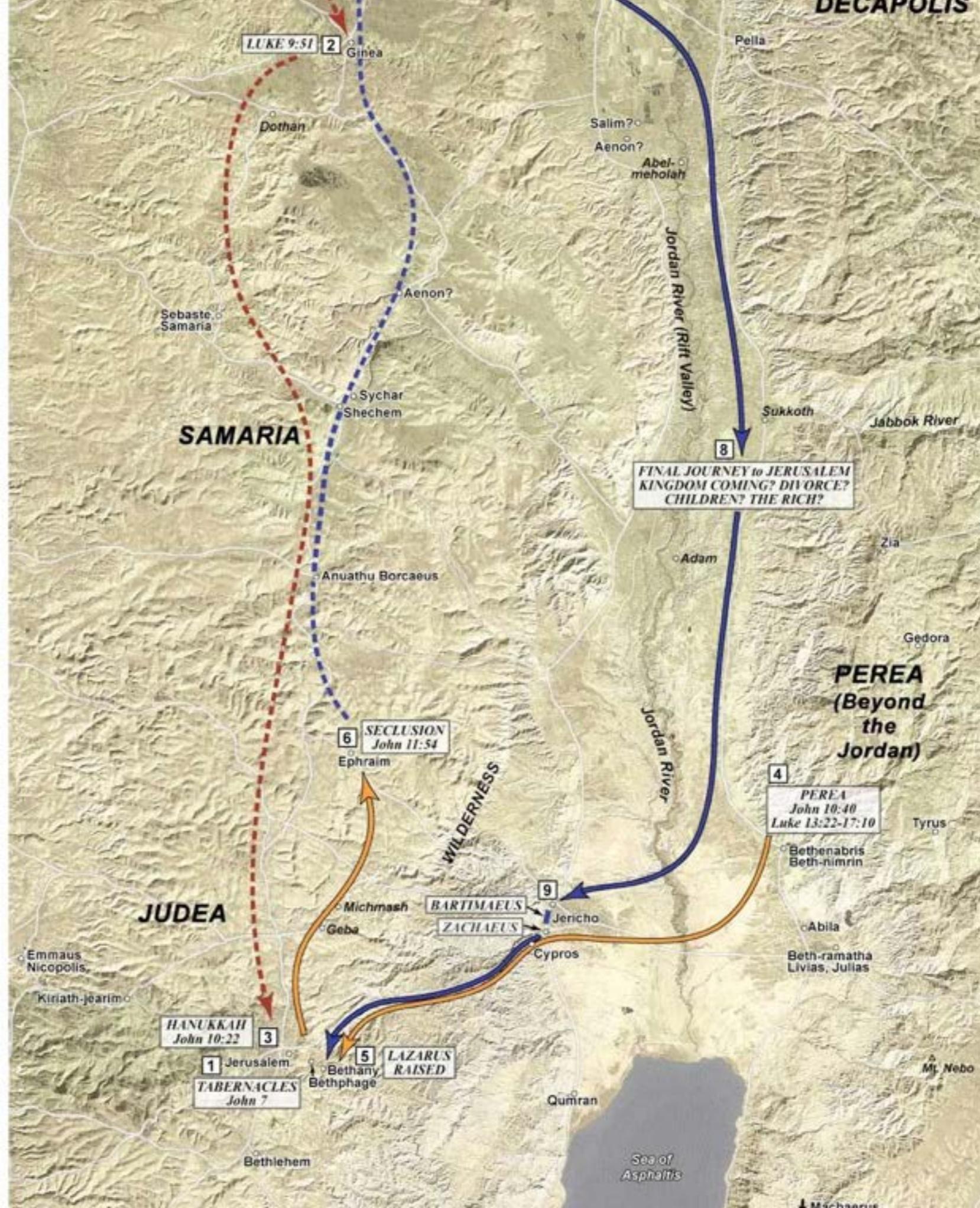
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MATTHEW

JESUS: KING OF THE JEWS

The Last Shall be First
Matthew 20:17–19, 27–28



Matt. 20:17, “Now Jesus, going up to Jerusalem, took the twelve disciples aside on the road and said to them,

Matt. 20:18, “Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be betrayed to the chief priests and to the scribes; and they will condemn Him to death,

Matt. 20:19, “and deliver Him to the Gentiles to mock and to scourge and to crucify. And the third day He will rise again.”

Matt. 20:27, “And whoever desires to be first among you, let him be your slave—

Matt. 20:28, “just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.”

Matt. 19:30, “But many who are first will be last, and the last first.”

Matt. 20:8, “So when evening had come, the owner of the vineyard said to his steward, ‘Call the laborers and give them their wages, beginning with the last to the first.’ ”

Matt. 20:10, “But when the first came, they supposed that they would receive more; and they likewise received each a denarius.”

Matt. 20:16, “So the last will be first, and the first last. For many are called, but few chosen.”

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**Phil 2:5, “Have this attitude in yourselves
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**φρονέω *phroneō*
present active
imperative 2P
“to think, reason,
mental attitude”**

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ὑπάρχω *huparchō*

present active

participle

anarthrous

adverbial

concessive

participle,

“although He

existed eternally”

μορφή *morphē*

“form, outward

appearance, shape

or expression;

used of the nature

or essence of

something”

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ἡγέομαι *hēgeomai*

aorist middle

indicative deponent

3S

“to engage in an intellectual process, think, consider, regard”

WHO (Lord Jesus Christ) although He eternally existed with identical essence to God did NOT think

Is this thinking, this mental attitude, part of His Deity ... or His humanity?

Phil 2:6, “who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped,”

ἄρπαγμός *harpagmos*

accusative masculine singular

“grasp, seize, snatched”

1. a violent seizure of property, robbery

2. equivalent to *harpagma*, someth. to which one can claim or assert title by gripping or grasping

WHO (Lord Jesus Christ) although He eternally existed with identical essence to God did NOT think EQUALITY WITH GOD A CLAIM TO BE SELFISHLY GRASPED AFTER

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**ἀλλά; *alla*,
“But,”
strong contrastive
conjunction**

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**κενόω *kenoō*,
aorist active
indicative 3S
“to make empty, to
empty, to render void”**

**Christ performed the
action on Himself**

**ἑαυτοῦ; *heautou*,
reflexive pron.
accusative
masculine 3S
“Himself”**

Phil 2:7, “but emptied Himself, [by] taking the form of a bond-servant, and being made in the likeness of men.”

λαμβάνω *lambanō*

**Aor act part masc sing nom
to take, receive, choose;
an adverbial ptcp of means.
“By MEANS of receiving...”**

**HE EMPTIED HIMSELF BY RECEIVING THE
FORM OF A SERVANT**

Philippians 2:7, “but emptied Himself, [by] taking the form of a bond-servant, and being made in the likeness of men.”

μορφή *morphē*
“form, outward appearance, shape or expression; used of the nature, essence of something” cf. vs. 6

δοῦλος *doulos*
Noun gen masc sing
slave; slavish, servile

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γίνομαι *ginomai*

aorist middle participle;

“To come into being, to come into existence.”

“... And by means of coming into existence”

Contrast with His Deity which

“existed” eternally vs. 6

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**ὁμοίωμα *homoionōma*
dat neut sing
likeness, the essence
of humanity**

HE EMPTIED HIMSELF

**BY TAKING THE FORM (NATURE)
OF A SERVANT**

AND

BY COMING INTO EXISTENCE

IN

**THE ESSENCE
OF A MAN.**

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**εὕρισκω *heuriskō*
aor pass part masc sing
nom
to find**

“by being found ...”

**σχῆμα *schēma*
dat neut sing
form, outward form
“the generally
recognized state or
form in which
someth. appears”**

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ταπεινῶ *tapeinoō*

aor act indic 3 sing

“to humble, to see oneself in proper relation to reality, to place under authority.”

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γίνομαι *ginomai*

**participle aorist middle
deponent nominative
masculine singular**

“he humbled himself *by becoming obedient*”

Phil 2:9, “For this reason also, God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name,”

1 Pet. 2:21, “For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps:

1 Pet. 2:22, “Who committed no sin, nor was deceit found in His mouth;

1 Pet. 2:23, “who, when He was reviled, did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten, but committed Himself to Him who judges righteously;

1 Pet. 2:24, “who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness—by whose stripes you were healed.”

1 Pet. 4:1, “Therefore, since Christ suffered for us in the flesh, arm yourselves also with the same mind, for he who has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin,

1 Pet. 4:2, “that he no longer should live the rest of his time in the flesh for the lusts of men, but for the will of God.”

2 Cor. 12:7, “And lest I should be exalted above measure by the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I be exalted above measure.

2 Cor. 12:8, “Concerning this thing I pleaded with the Lord three times that it might depart from me.

2 Cor. 12:9, “And He said to me, ‘My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness.’ Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.”