

The Ministry of Christ

Narrative and Themes

Christ as Master over Nature

Christ as Master over Illness

Christ as Master over the

Spiritual Realm

Christ as Master over Death

Christ the Great Teacher



PALESTINE IN THE TIME OF CHRIST


SCALE OF MILES
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No. 2. The Opening Events of Christ's Life.


Cleansing of the Temple

- ▶ Righteous Indignation
 - ▶ Is anger wrong?
 - Eph. 4:26 “Be angry, and do not sin”: do not let the sun go down on your wrath, 27 nor give place to the devil.
 - ▶ What makes us angry?
 - ▶ What should make us angry?
 - ▶ How should we handle righteous anger?
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Cleansing of the Temple

- ▶ Psalms 69:9
 - ▶ Jesus predicts his death and resurrection
 - ▶ His disciples “get it”....some
 - ▶ Vs.24 – The omniscience of Jesus
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Jesus and Nicodemus

- ▶ Recognize who Jesus is and listen
 - ▶ Being born again
 - ▶ Belief in the Son
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John's Testimony

- ▶ A counterintuitive proof of the truth of the Gospel
- ▶ (Luke 3:19 But Herod the tetrarch, being rebuked by him concerning Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, and for all the evils which Herod had done, 20 also added this, above all, that he shut John up in prison.)



No. 2. The Opening Events of Christ's Life

After 10 Northern tribes were carried away,
the King of Assyria sent people into the land.

Wild beasts made them worship the
“God of the Land” – Priest sent to the people
With the Law

Later denied the offer to help with the Temple


Sychar and Shechem

Scene of bloody episode of Dinah

Jacob's well

Where Jacob is buried

The Woman at the well

- ▶ Return to Galilee through Samaria
 - ▶ Jesus was tired
 - ▶ The Radical nature of the Gospel
 - ▶ 23 But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. 24 God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.”
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Rejection at Nazareth

- ▶ Luke 4:16–30
 - ▶ Custom was to go to the Synagogue
 - ▶ Isaiah 61:1, 2
 - ▶ Why were they angry?:
 - ▶ You are going to reject me, I'm not going to give you special treatment and I'll even go to the gentiles.
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