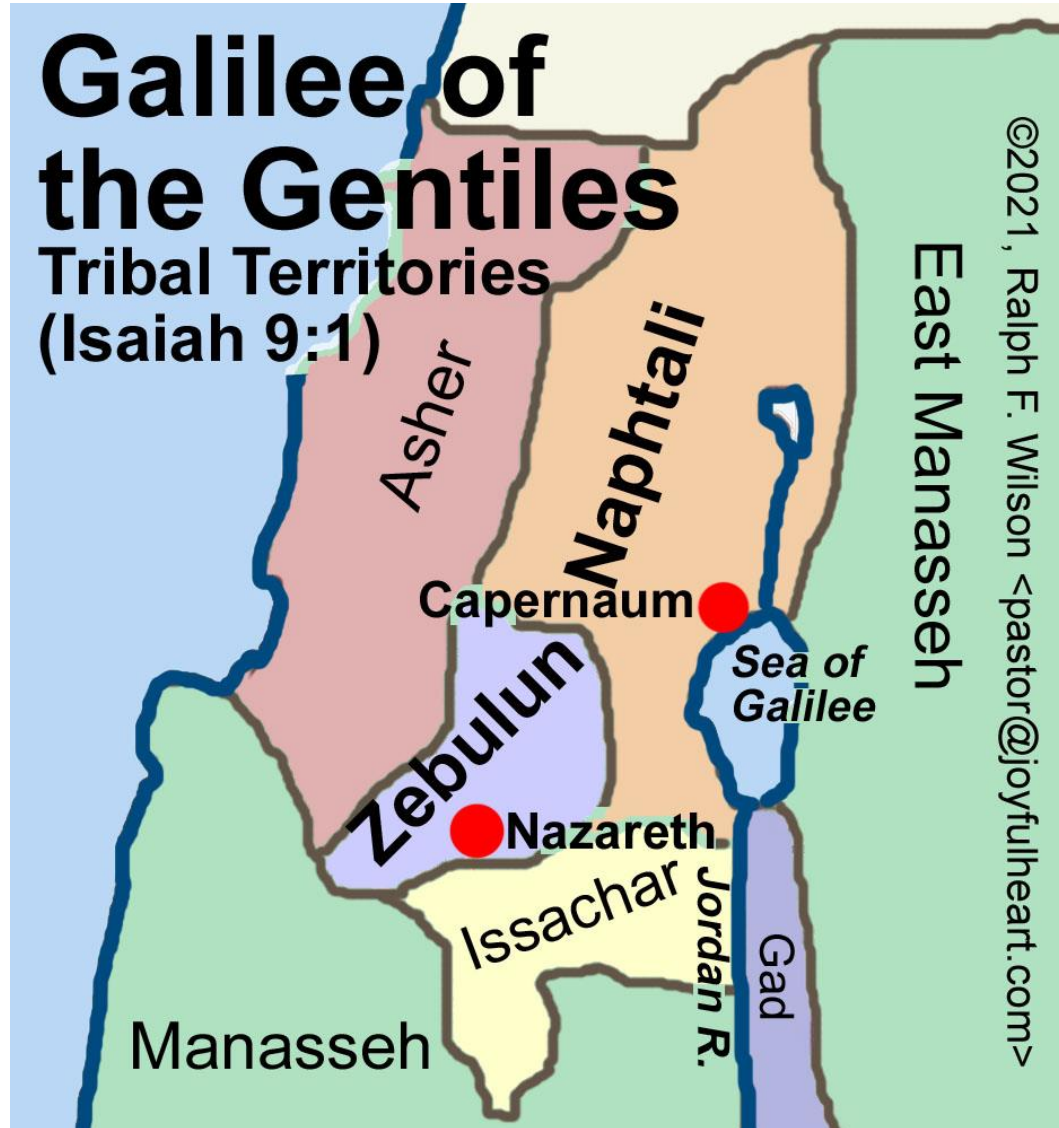


| | Jesus' Life in Matthew | OT Prophecy |
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| Son of Abraham | 1.1-17 | Gen 22.18 |
| Son of David/King | 1.1-24, 2.1-12 (king) | 2 Sam 7.12-16; Isa 9.6-7, 11.1; Micah 5.2-4 |
| New Moses | 2.13-18 | Deut 18.18 |
| True/Faithful Son of God | 4.1-11 | Hos 11.1 |
| Rejected | 2.19-23 | Isa 53 |
| Forerunner to prepare way | 3.1-17 | Mal 3.1; Isa 40.3 |



Jesus' Location



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Jesus' Message

- **Repent** – change of mind leading to a change in behavior; move into a new direction
- **Kingdom of Heaven/God** – rule/reign of God ushered in through ministry of Jesus; think 'kingship'
- **Near** – at hand, knocking on the door
- We better get ready because the King is coming.

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Jesus' Invitation

- **Invitation to relationship: come –**
Jesus calls us to Himself;
Mk 3.14 – Jesus appointed the 12 to be w/Him
- **Invitation to discipleship: follow Me**
– to follow a rabbi is to say, 'I want to live life like you are living life;' Lk 6.40
– everyone who is fully trained will be like their teacher
- **Invitation to partnership: I will send you out to fish for people –** Jesus invites us into His work;
Eph 2.10 – Father has created good works for us to do

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Jesus' Model

- **To preach about the Kingdom of Heaven** – to announce that it is near
- **To teach about the Kingdom of Heaven** – to tell people how to live as citizens of that Kingdom
- **To demonstrate that the Kingdom of Heaven has come** – through healings and exorcisms Jesus shows the crowds that His Kingdom is advancing

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Tension of the Kingdom

- **Already here** – requires faith in God’s willingness and ability to work today
 - **At its best** – active trust in the ability *and* willingness of God to move in the present moment
- **Not yet fully here** – requires faith in God’s character when we *don’t* see Him working today
 - **At its best** – deep peace and confidence in the goodness of God regardless of circumstance; contentment to be with God in suffering and in pleasure

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Tension of the Kingdom

- **If only 'already here'** – can lead to demanding of God and attempts to manipulate Him; can lead to disappointment and disillusionment when God doesn't act as we hope/pray
- **If only 'not yet here'** – can lead to resignation in regards to state of things and disconnection from God – everything is pushed to the future and no present engagement with Him is needed

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