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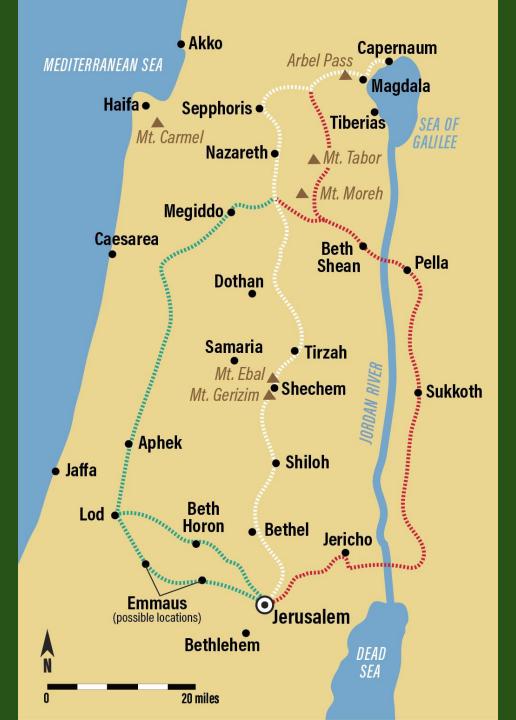
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A King from the Lineage of David

⁵ "Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶ In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

--Jeremiah 23:5 (ESV)

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The Spirit of Creation

- 1 In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.² The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. ³ And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. (Genesis 1:1-3)
- "Ruach" (Hebrew): Spirit, wind, or breath

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Psalm 73:28

"But as for me, it is good to be near God. I have made the sovereign Lord my Refuge; I will tell of all your deeds."

(Bible Memorization Verse)

Mary's Song of Praise:

- ⁴⁶ And Mary said,
- "My soul magnifies the Lord,
 ⁴⁷ and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,
 ⁴⁸ for he has looked on the humble estate of his servant. For behold, from now on all generations will call me blessed;
 ⁴⁹ for he who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name.

And his mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation.
⁵¹ He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts;
⁵² he has brought down the mighty from their thrones and exalted those of humble estate;
⁵³ he has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty.

 ⁵⁴ He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy,
 ⁵⁵ as he spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his offspring forever."

Let Us Pray:

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