



The Campaign Collapses

The “Busy Day” Concludes...

- With 2 Events:

1. Jesus stills a storm on the Sea of Galilee

- (Matthew 8:18, 23-27; Mark 4:35-41; Luke 8:22-25)

2. Jesus heals the Gadarene demoniac

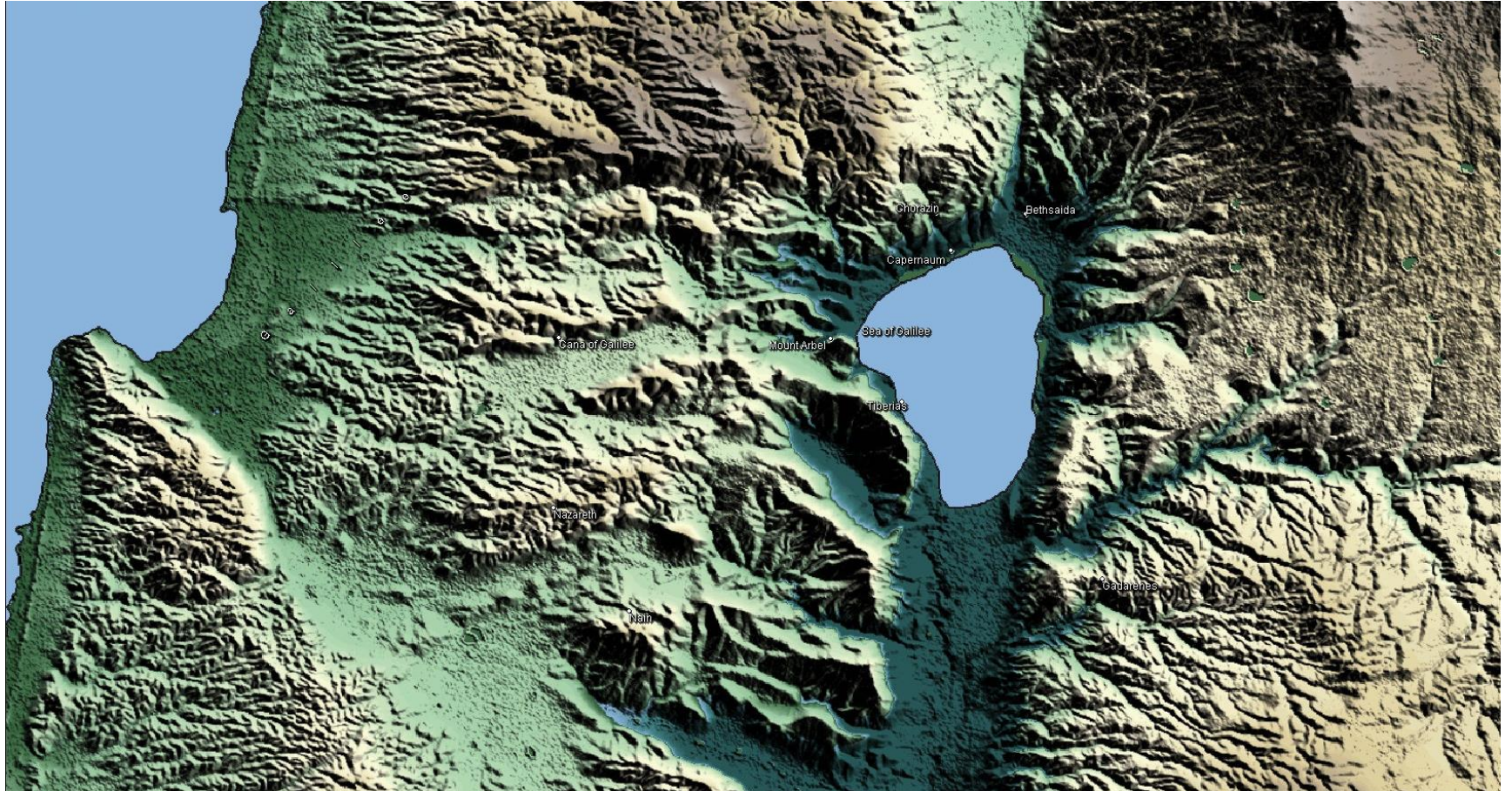
- (Matthew 8:28-34; Mark 5:1-20; Luke 8:26-39)

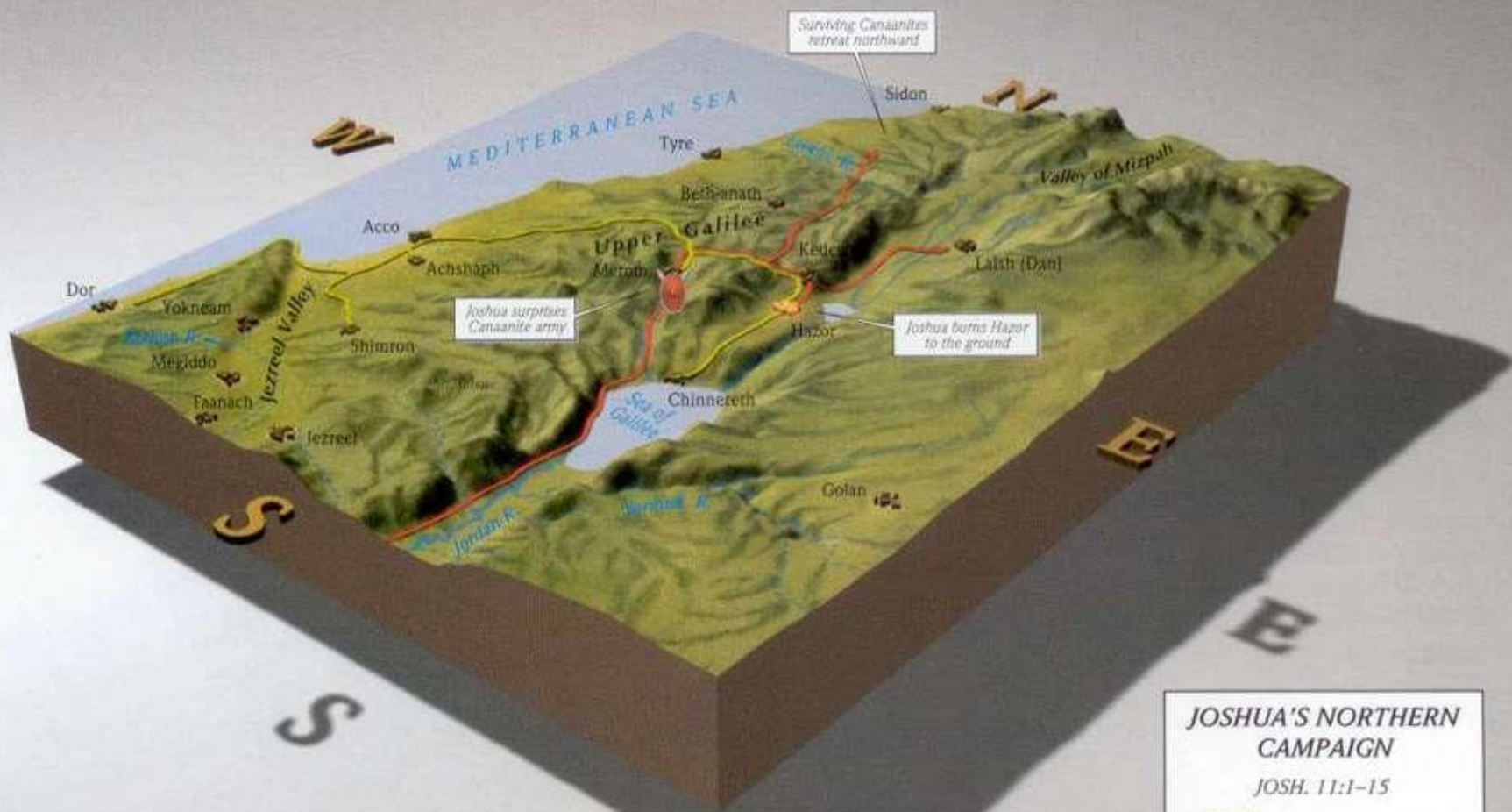
This Miracle...

- Occurred late on the same day as the “unpardonable sin” and the teaching of the Kingdom parables.
- Mark 4:35 –
“On that day, when evening came, He said to them, “Let us go over to the other side.”



Mark 4:35-41





JOSHUA'S NORTHERN CAMPAIGN

JOSH. 11:1-15



City



Northern Campaign



Canaanite forces



Battle





Mark 5:1-20



Do We Have a Contradiction?

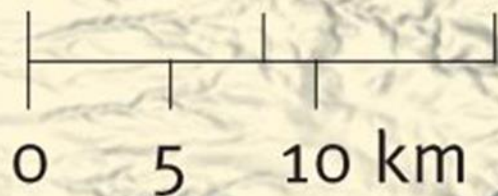
- Mark 5:1 –

“They came to the other side of the sea, into the country of the **Gerasenes.**”

- Matthew 8:28 –

“When He came to the other side into the country of the **Gadarenes...**”

- KJV: “Gergesenes”



GALILEE

Cana

Chorazin

Capernaum

Gennesaret

Magdala

Tiberias

Sepphoris

Nazareth

Nain

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
Gadara

Sea of
Galilee

Jordan River

when Herod died

 Semi-independent municipality

 Syrian Province

0 15 30 Miles
0 15 30 Kilometers



The Name, Itself

Is derived from either a lakeside village, Gergesa, the next larger city, Gadara, or the best-known city in the region, Gerasa.

Maybe Historians Can Help

- Gadara, says Josephus, was the metropolis of Perea, or the region beyond Jordan; and he also observes that it was sixty furlongs, or about eight miles from Tiberias.
- Pliny says it was called Hippodion, was one of the cities of Decapolis, and had the river Hieromax, or Jarmouk, flowing before it.

Gadara

- It was of heathen jurisdiction; perhaps it was destroyed by the Jews; but was rebuilt by Pompey, and joined to the province of Syria; Augustus afterwards gave it to Herod, on whose death it was again annexed to Syria.
- It is now called Om Keis; its ruins are in a very mutilated state, and when visited by Burckhardt in 1812, it had not a single inhabitant.
- Some say the remains of the sepulchral caverns in which the demoniacs abode are still to be seen.













Mark 5:21-43

**Jesus heals Jairus'
daughter (and a woman
who touched His
garment)**



Matthew 9:27-33

**Jesus heals two blind men
and a demoniac**

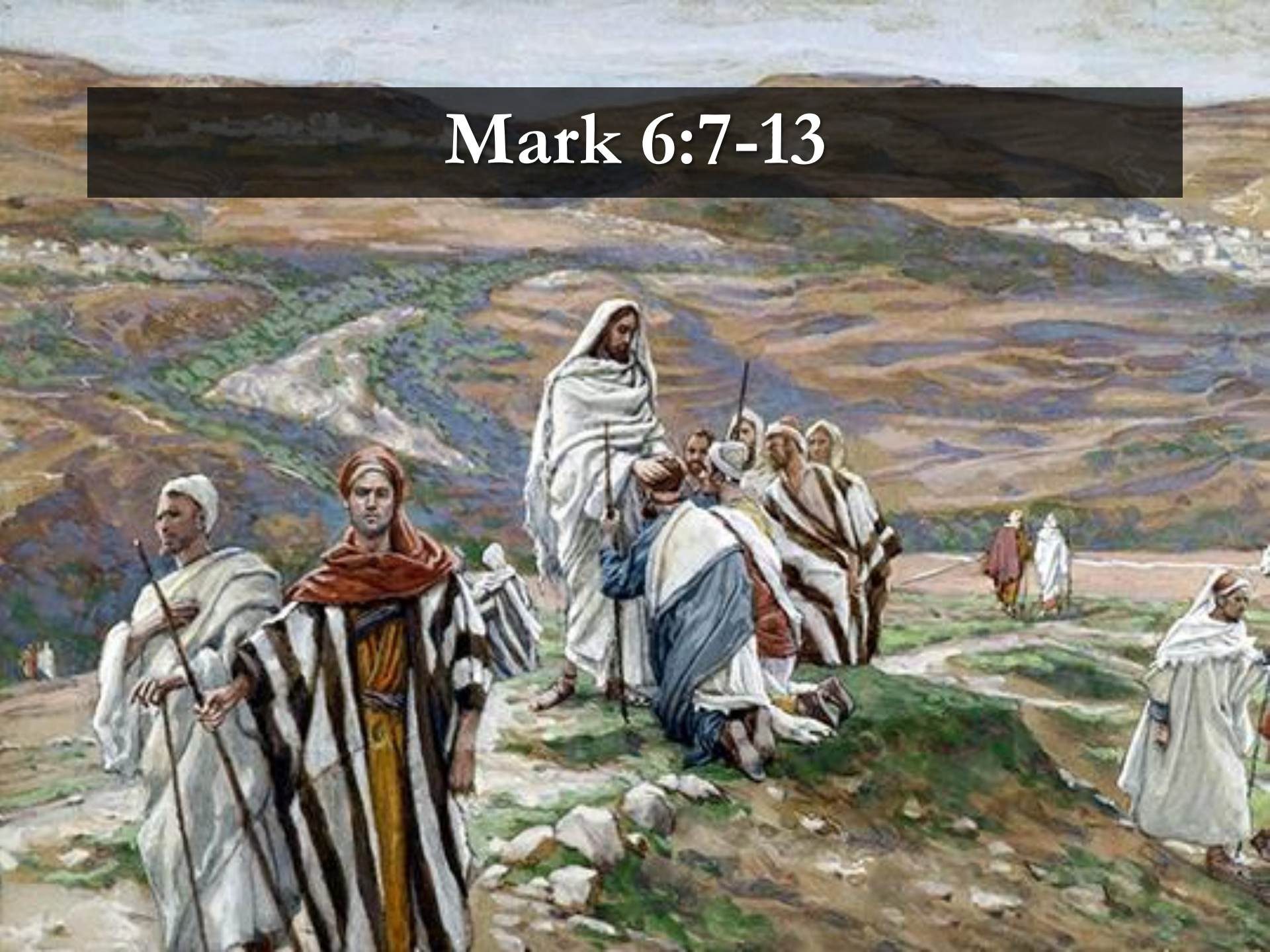
Matthew 9:34

**But the Pharisees
were saying, “He
casts out the demons
by the ruler of the
demons.”**

Matthew 13:54-58 (Mark 6:1-6)

54 He came to His hometown and began teaching them in their synagogue, so that they were astonished, and said, “Where did this man get this wisdom and these miraculous powers? **55** Is not this the carpenter’s son? Is not His mother called Mary, and His brothers, James and Joseph and Simon and Judas? **56** And His sisters, are they not all with us? Where then did this man get all these things?” **57** And they took offense at Him. But Jesus said to them, “A prophet is not without honor except in his hometown and in his own household.” **58** And He did not do many miracles there because of their unbelief.

Mark 6:7-13





Mark 6:14-29

The Fate of
John the
Baptist

Mark 6:30-32

30 The apostles gathered together with Jesus; and they reported to Him all that they had done and taught. **31** And He said to them, “Come away by yourselves to a secluded place and rest a while.” (For there were many people coming and going, and they did not even have time to eat.) **32** They went away in the boat to a secluded place by themselves.



Mark 6:33-44

(Matthew 14:13-21; Luke 9:10-17; John 6:1-14)

John 6:14-15

14 Therefore when the people saw the sign which He had performed, they said, "This is truly the Prophet who is to come into the world." **15**

So Jesus, perceiving that they were intending to come and take Him by force to make Him king, withdrew again to the mountain by Himself alone.



John 6:16-21

**(Matthew 14:24-
33; Mark 6:47-52)**

Mark 6:53-56

53 When they had crossed over they came to land at Gennesaret, and moored to the shore. **54** When they got out of the boat, immediately the people recognized Him, **55** and ran about that whole country and began to carry here and there on their pallets those who were sick, to the place they heard He was. **56** Wherever He entered villages, or cities, or countryside, they were laying the sick in the market places, and imploring Him that they might just touch the fringe of His cloak; and as many as touched it were being cured.

Throughout this Period...

- The fascination of the people continued to mount, but it was proving to be very shallow.
- This is demonstrated by the people's hasty abandonment of Jesus when He began to make clear the truth concerning Himself (deity) and the standards by which He would administer His kingdom (righteousness which no man could attain apart from trusting the grace of God).

Two-fold Effect on Jewish Leaders

1. It made them horribly jealous, and thus accelerated and exacerbated their mounting antagonism toward Jesus.
2. It tied their hands, and made it impossible for the leaders of Israel to carry out their murderous desires; it was often because of the fascination of the people that the Sanhedrinists were unable to take Jesus and put Him to death.

Animosity Stage 1

Skepticism:

Mark 2:1-12

The Pharisees are in Galilee watching Jesus to see if they can catch him in His words or acts.

Animosity Stage 2

Jealousy

Luke 6:1-11

The Pharisees try to assert their authority as the “keepers of the Law” by getting Jesus to submit to their authority with regard to the Sabbath.

Animosity Stage 3

Fear

Matthew 5-7

The Sermon on the Mount was a deliberate and pointed contrast between the “righteousness” of the Pharisees and that of the Lord Jesus.

Animosity Stage 4

Hatred

Matthew 12:22-37

Even when Jesus works a miracle specifically prophesied of Messiah, the Pharisees refused to acknowledge His claims, choosing to appeal to a supposed league with the devil to explain His power.

By the End of the Galilean Ministry

The leadership of the nation has demonstrated itself to be committed to disbelief.

At the same time, the multitudes are still fascinated with Jesus, and thus are frustrating the desire of the leaders to destroy Him.

To Recap:

1. Jesus had for the 1st time attempted to withdraw from the crowds but had been unable to. When great throngs followed, He fed 5,000.
2. In response to that miracle, some had tried to make Him king; Jesus resisted that attempt.
3. Later that night, Jesus had come walking on the water to the disciples and stilled a storm that threatened them; they were amazed beyond measure.
4. Jesus had returned to the place where He had fed 5,000; there was tremendous commotion and excitement, and He healed many.

To Review:

- The Great Galilean Ministry collapsed as a result of two events:
 1. The blasphemous accusation of the Pharisees in Matthew 12:22-37 that demonstrated that the hardness of the hearts of the Jewish leaders was complete.
 2. The people's refusal to accept the spiritual standards laid down by Jesus.

'This is a hard teaching. Who can accept it?' - John 6:60

JESUS SAID WHAT?

And nowhere is that
better seen than in
John 6:22-7:1...

**Which we will cover
in 2 weeks!**

