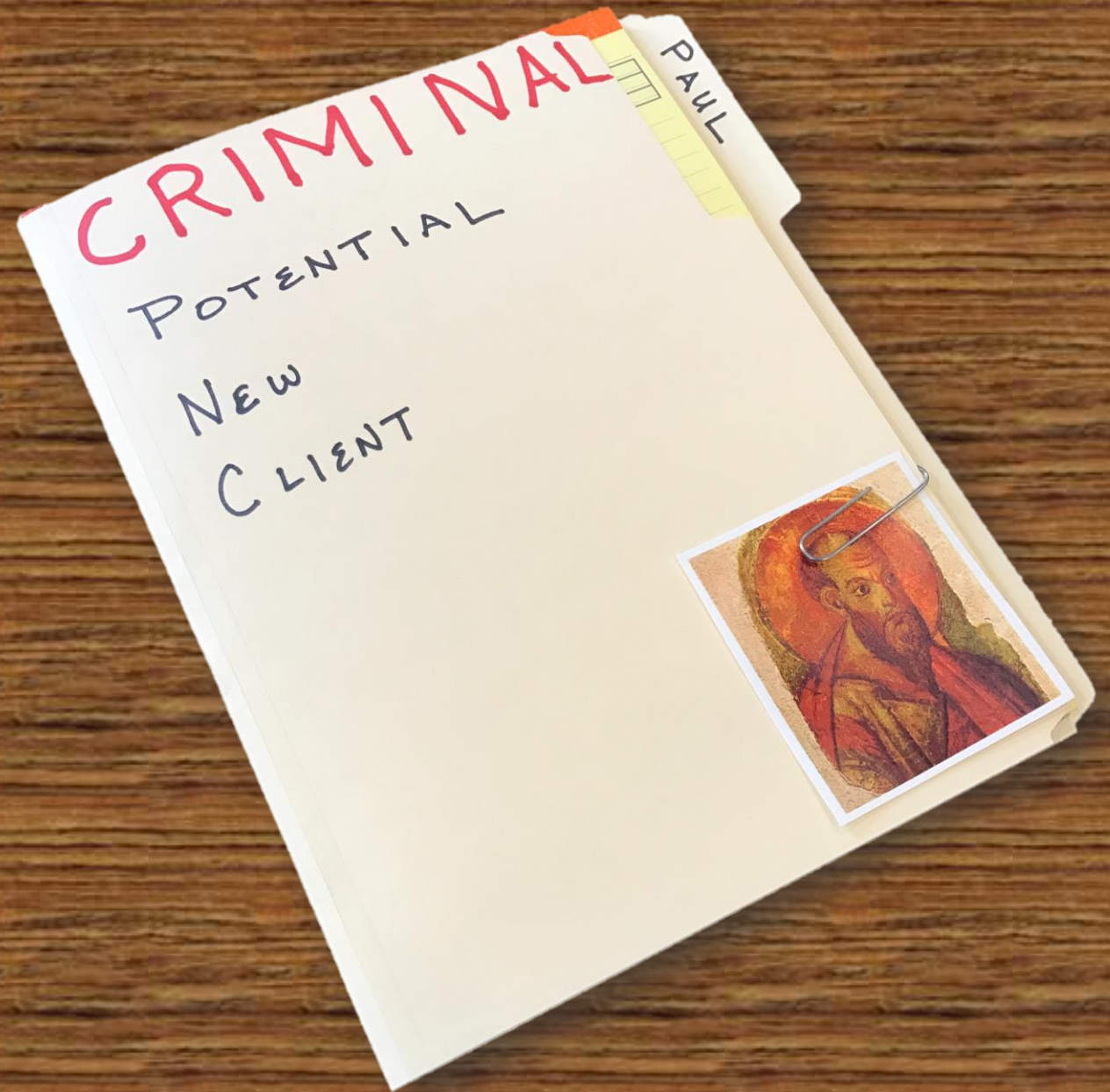


# Paul: a legal case study



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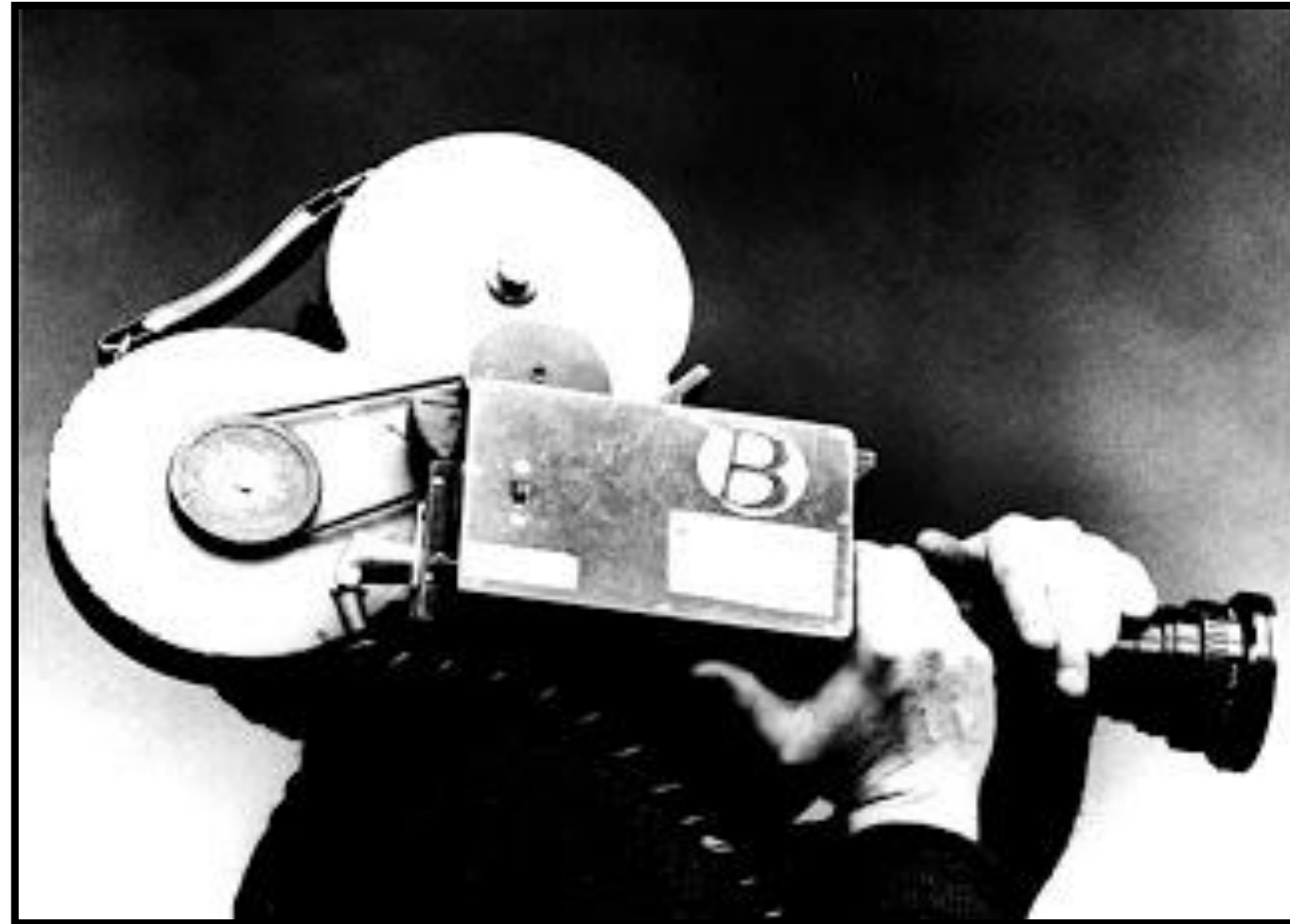
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Historical Context is **Critical**



For Paul's era, our best cameras are "books"





For a just trial, the defendant must know for what crimes he or she is being tried





At the time of Paul,  
a Roman trial  
typically had a  
“formula” stage  
where the charges  
were clarified





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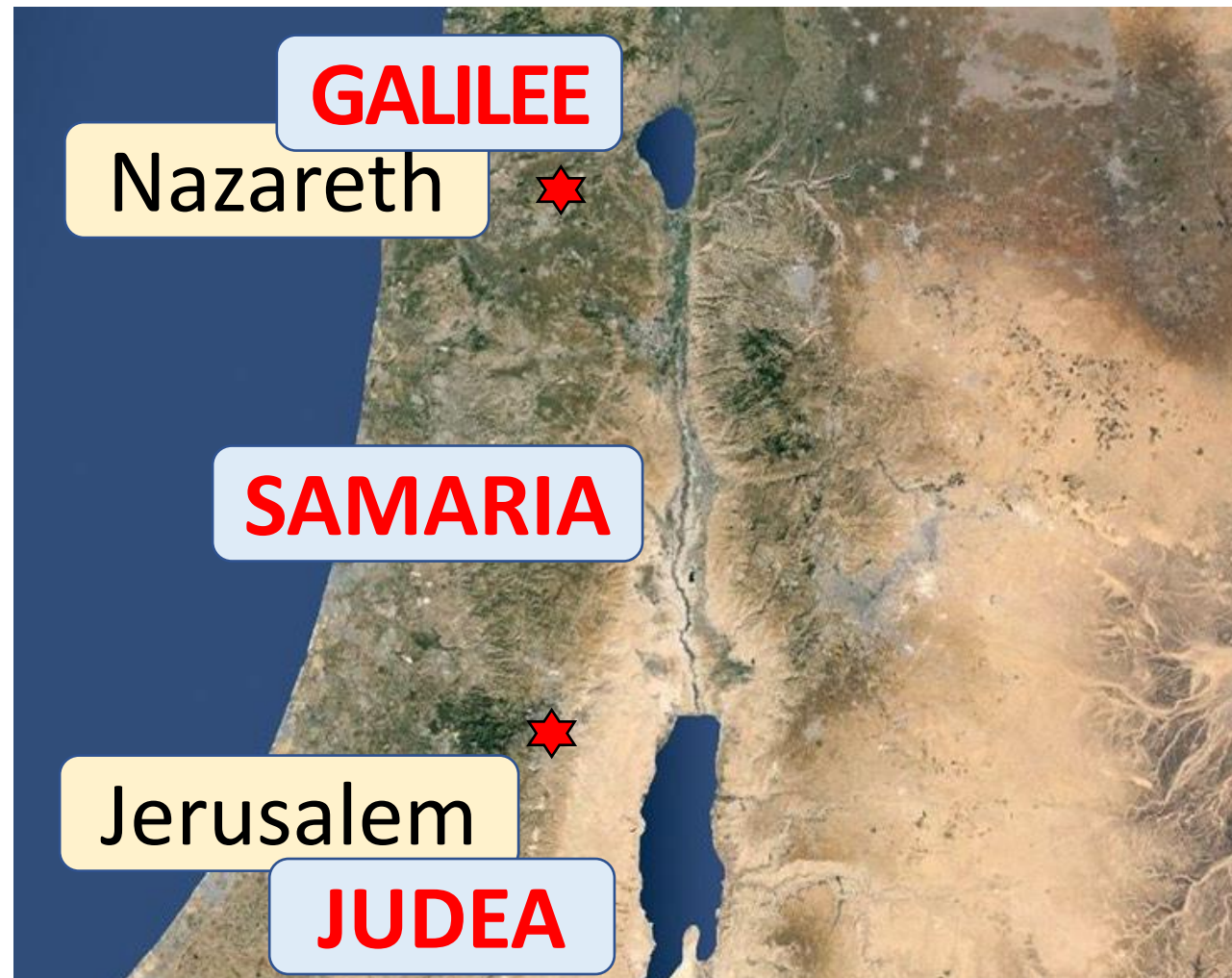


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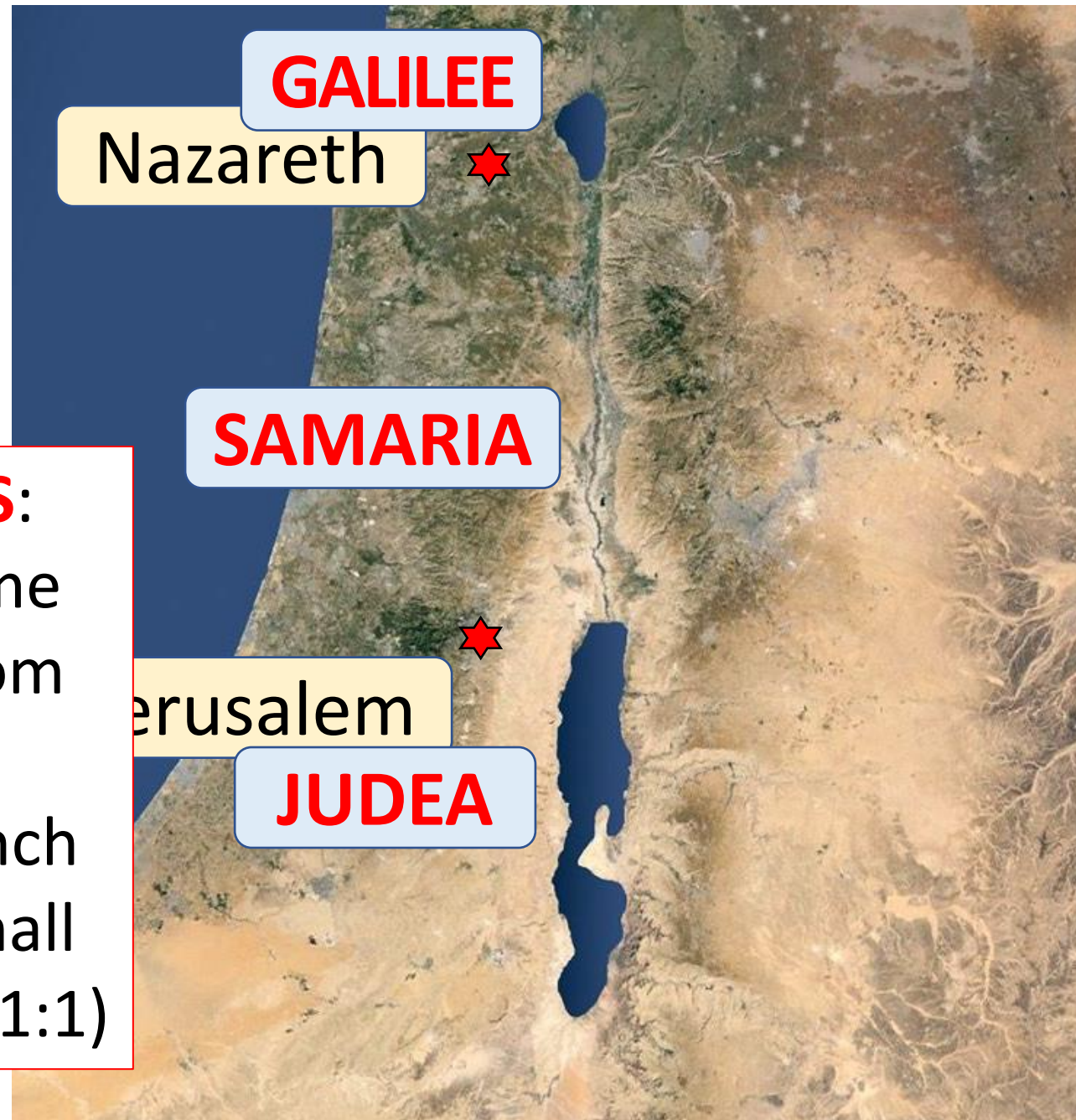


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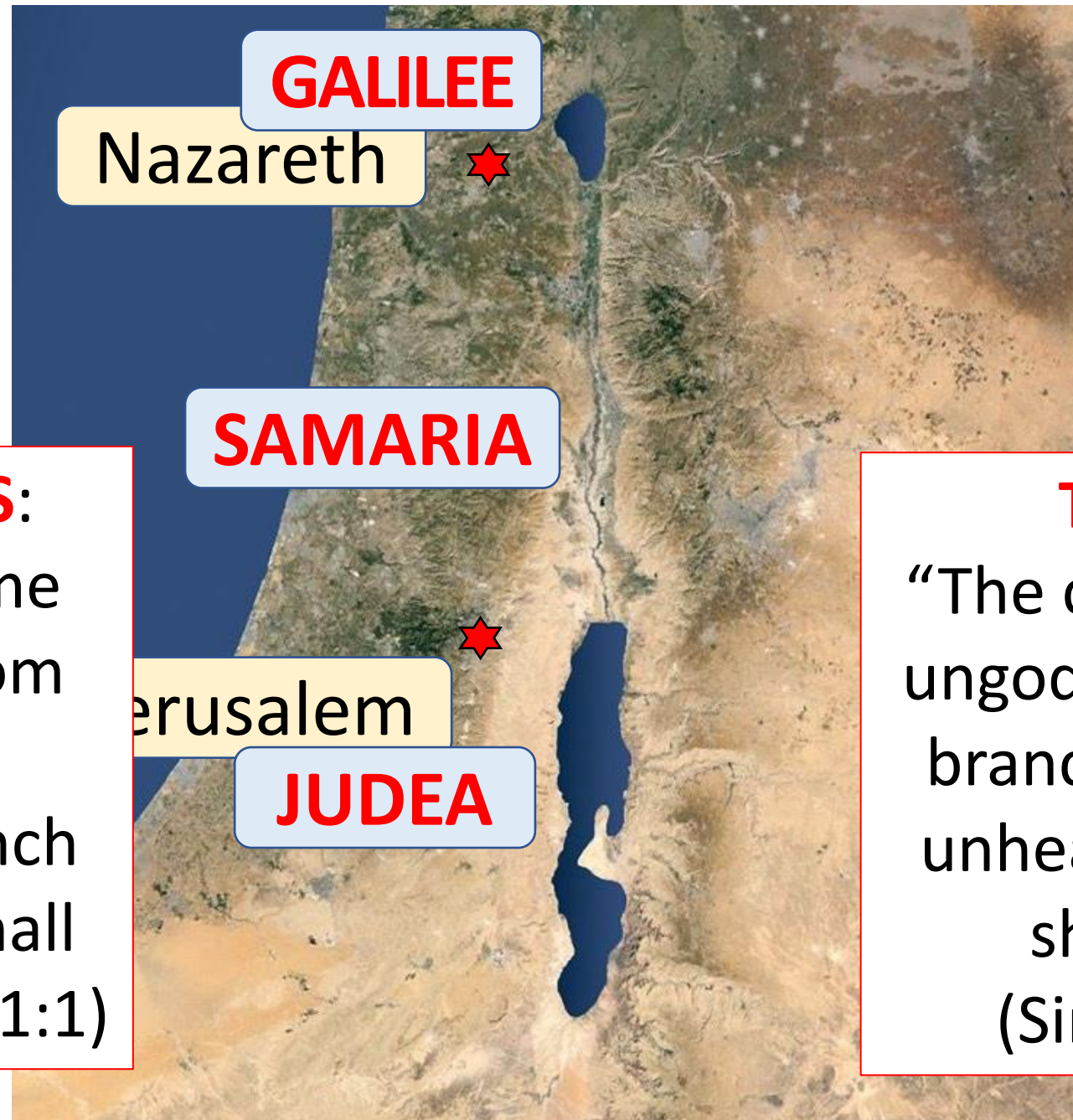
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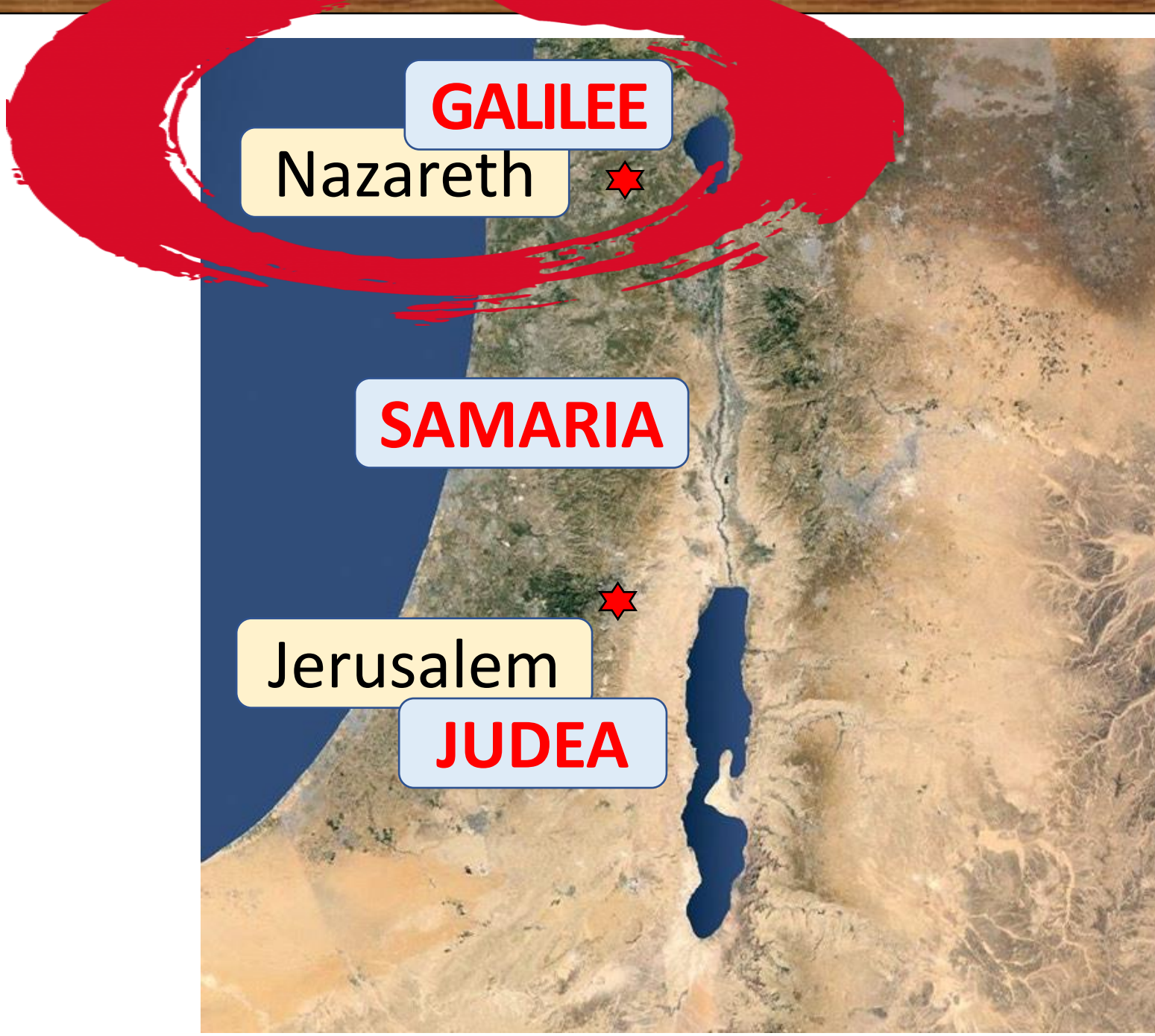


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**Following Jesus is not always  
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I will seek to do my best  
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