

**WALKING IN THE LAND OF THE BIBLE (Paul E. Engle)**  
**Session #5 Sea of Galilee, Jordan River, Dead Sea**

**I. TRIP DOWN THE JORDAN RIVER [Atlas p 8]**

- \* How many times is it mentioned in the Bible? \_\_\_\_\_
- \* How many miles does it wind through the land? \_\_\_\_\_
- 1. Where can you travel to find the beginnings of the River?— \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Why is this the source of the river Jordan? \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. What determines where the water will flow? \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. If you drift down the river on a raft you can travel about 7 miles till you come to what?  
\_\_\_\_\_ (cf. Jeremiah 49:19)  
*"Like a lion coming up from Jordan's thickets to a rich pastureland."*

**II. SAILING ON THE SEA OF GALILEE (Atlas p.50 8-4)**

**A. What other names are used for the Sea of Galilee?**

- 1. The earlier name is \_\_\_\_\_ and it means \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. A later name was \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Yet another term was \_\_\_\_\_

**B. The lake is still used for fishing. You can watch fishermen pull in catfish, mullet, sardine, carp, and others. The most popular fish for most tourists is \_\_\_\_\_**

**C. What's the size of the lake?** \_\_\_\_\_

**D. What surrounds the lake?** \_\_\_\_\_

Explain how storms arise:

READ Mark 4:35-41

**D. What are some of the events that occurred on or around this lake?**

- 1. Jesus called \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6. \_\_\_\_\_
- 7. He cooked breakfast for his disciples along the shore after his resurrection (Jn 21:1-14)

### III. THE SOUTHERN JORDAN RIVER

A. If you were to sail south of the Sea of Galilee what would you find? The river descends \_\_\_\_\_

B. What are some of the events/person associated with the Jordan River?

1. This was the River crossed when Joshua led them into the promised land. (Josh. 3-4)
2. Elijah was miraculously fed by ravens at the brook Cherith, east of the Jordan (1Kings 17:2-7)
3. When Elijah was translated to heaven after he and Elisha had crossed the Jordan on dry ground (2 Kings 2:7-12)
4. The Syrian King Naaman was healed of leprosy by dipping seven times in the Jordan (2 Kings 5:8-14)
5. John the Baptist used this river for his baptisms, including the baptism of Jesus (Mk. 1:5, 5:9)
6. Where did the Baptism of Jesus take place?

### IV. FLOATING IN THE DEAD SEA (See Atlas p.8)

• What are some alternate names to the Dead Sea?

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7. **It's about \_\_\_\_\_ % salt** - compared to the oceans of the world which are **3 - 5% salt**. So it's the most saline body of water in the world with no sea life living in it.

8. The Dead Sea has water that comes from the Jordan River but it has **no outlet**. The Jordan empties an average of 6 million tons of water every 24 hours. Yet it never gets deeper because the water evaporates. How large and deep is it? \_\_\_\_\_

9. What's the other unusual fact that sets the Dead Sea apart from every other place on earth? **I** \_\_\_\_\_

B. Jesus may have referred to this on one occasion during his last week on earth near the Mount of Olives in Jerusalem. How do we know that?

1. The **Herodium** and Herod building mountain:

2. **"People with wealth and power can move mountains. But in the kingdom of God, those with true faith can demand that the symbols of paganism be sent off to their proper place, and it will happen."**

