Matthew Series
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The Life of Jesus: Infancy and Early Ministry Jesus is born in Bethlehem. Gabriel appears to Mary. Gabriel appears to Zechariah in the temple. appears to to Bethlehem. John the Baptist Joseph. John the Baptist is circumcised. Joseph, Mary, Zechariah prophesies about his and Jesus flee The Magi ask Herod in future career. to Egypt. Jerusalem about the circumcised. Shepherds "King of the Jews." visit Jesus. Mary and Joseph present Jesus at the temple. Mary visits Elizabeth. appear to Simeon and Anna Caesar Augustus shepherds

decrees a census.

Mary stays with Elizabeth prophesy about Him.

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Caesar Augustus (Octavian)

- 63 BC AD 14
- Julius Caesar's great nephew and adopted heir
- Eventually defeated Marc Antony and Cleopatra to be recognized as Caesar, 31 BC – AD 14.
- Administrative genius, Pax Romana

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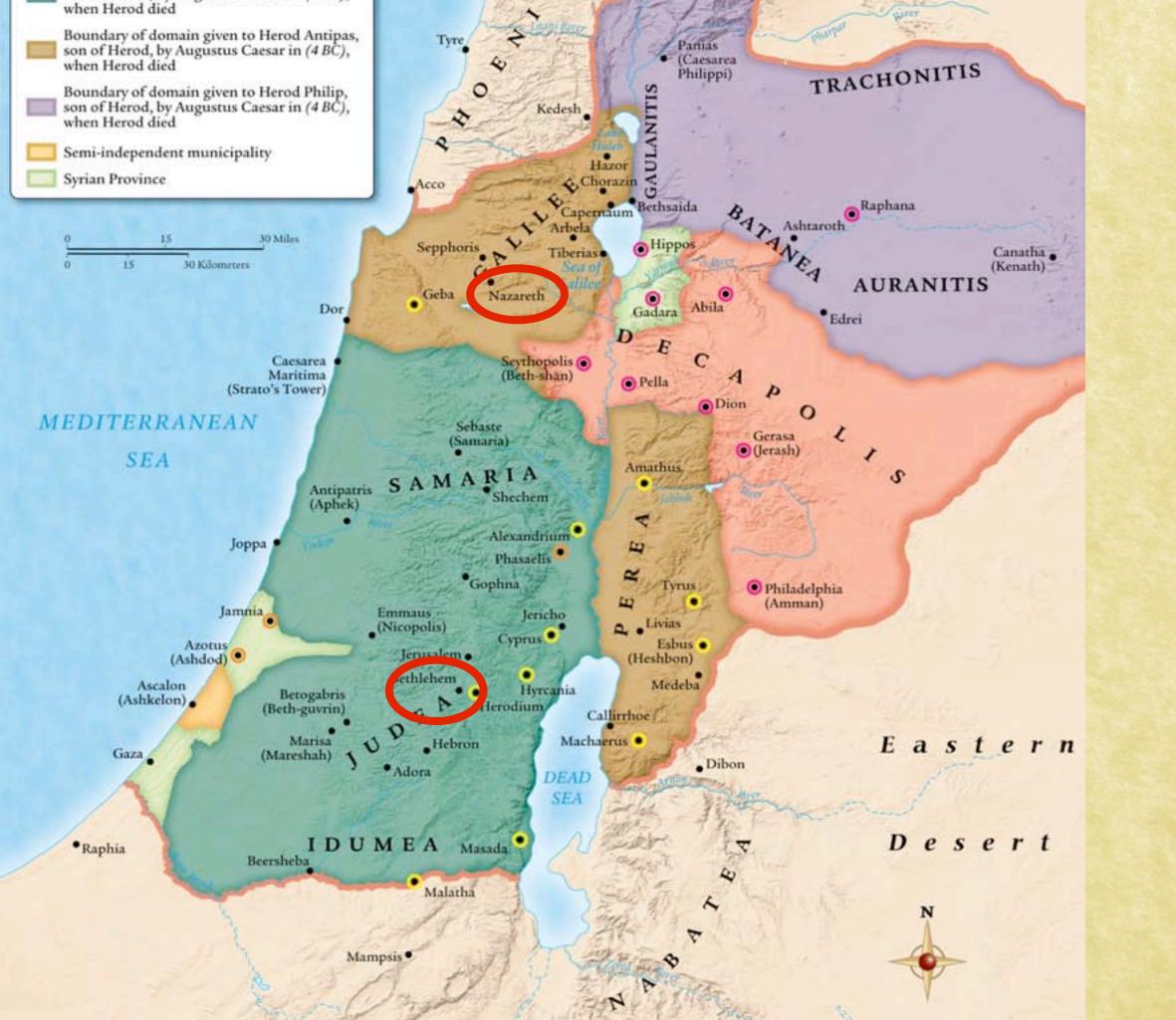
Gal. 4:4, "But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law,"



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Luke 2:2, "This census first took place while Quirinius was governing Syria."

Luke 2:3, "So all went to be registered, everyone to his own city."



Approaching Bethlehem







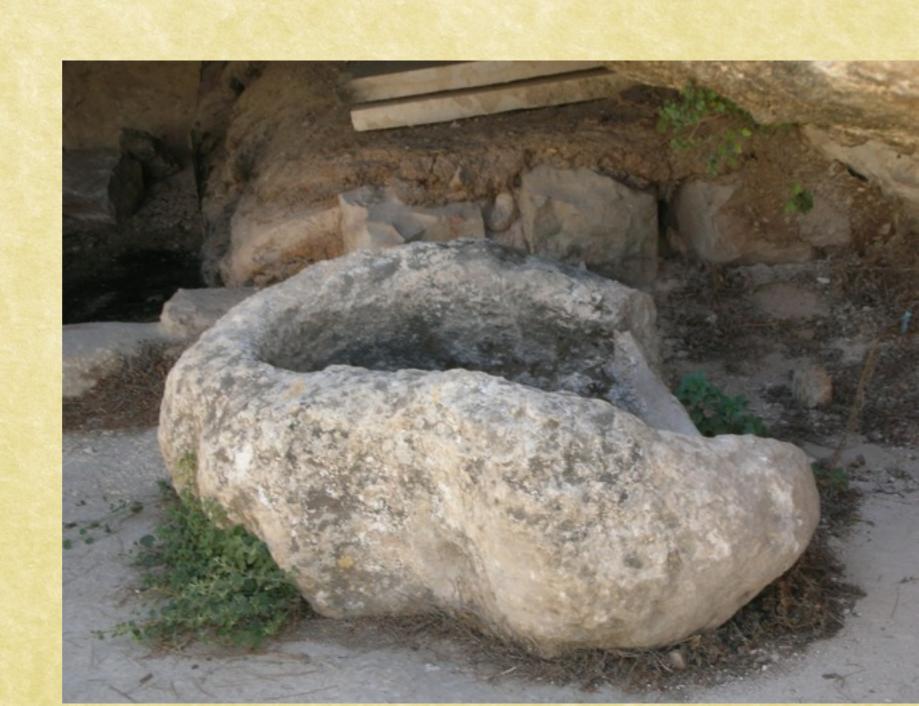
Luke 2:4, "Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David,

Luke 2:5, "to be registered with Mary, his betrothed wife, who was with child.

Luke 2:6, "So it was, that while they were there, the days were completed for her to be delivered."



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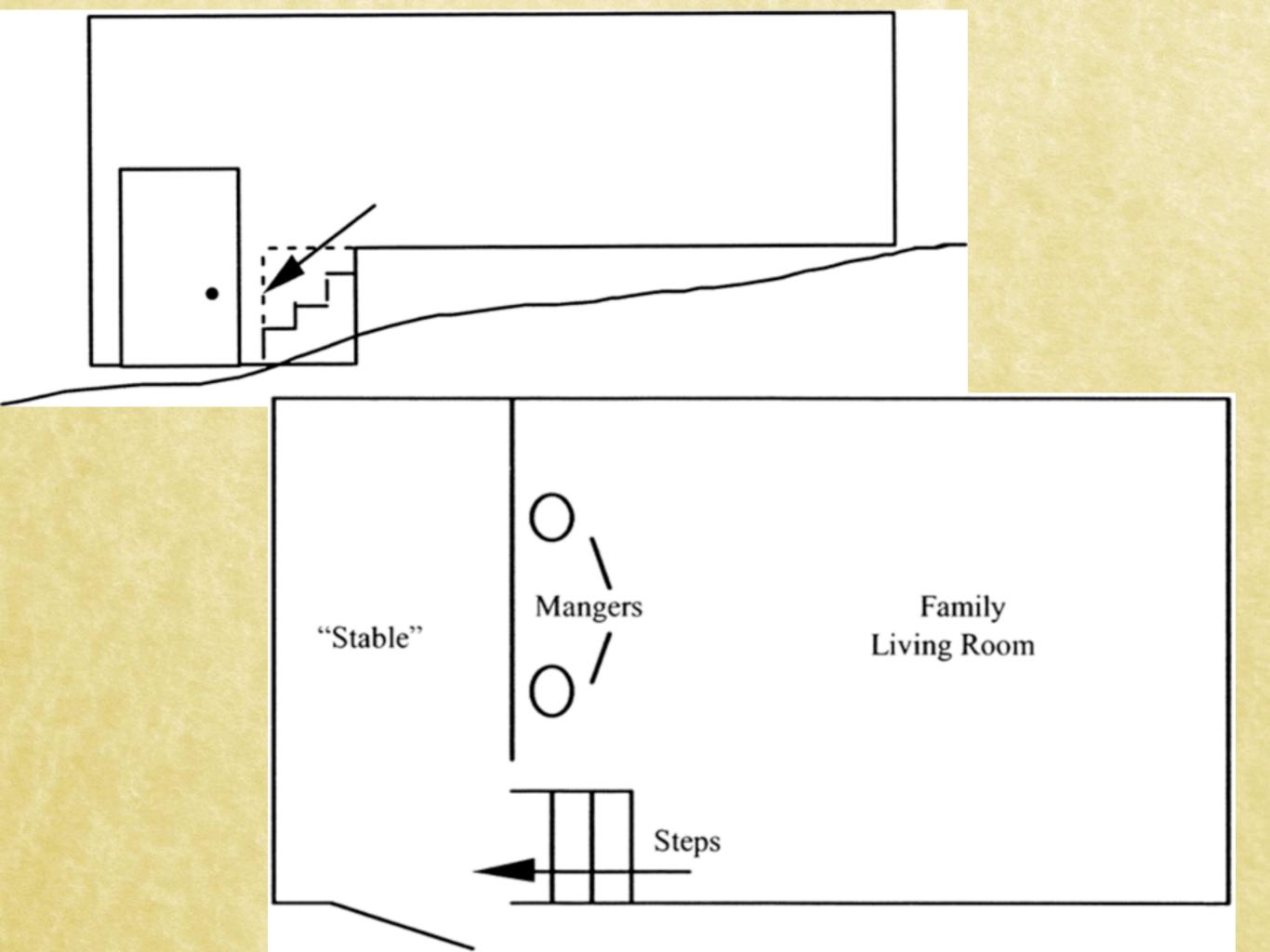


Luke 22:11, "Then you shall say to the master of the house, 'The Teacher says to you, "Where is the guest room where I may eat the Passover with My disciples?" '"

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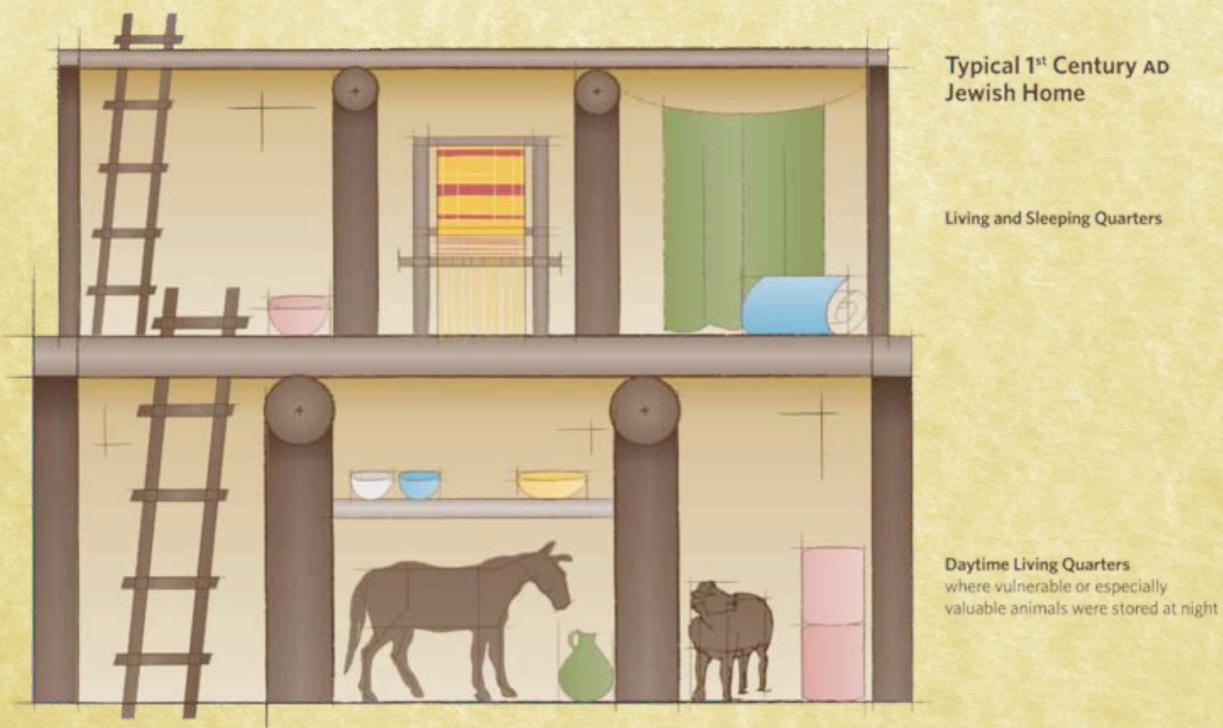
Luke 10:34, "So he went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; and he set him on his own animal, brought him to an <u>inn</u>, and took care of him."

πανδοχείον pandocheion inn



Away in a Manger, but Not in a Barn

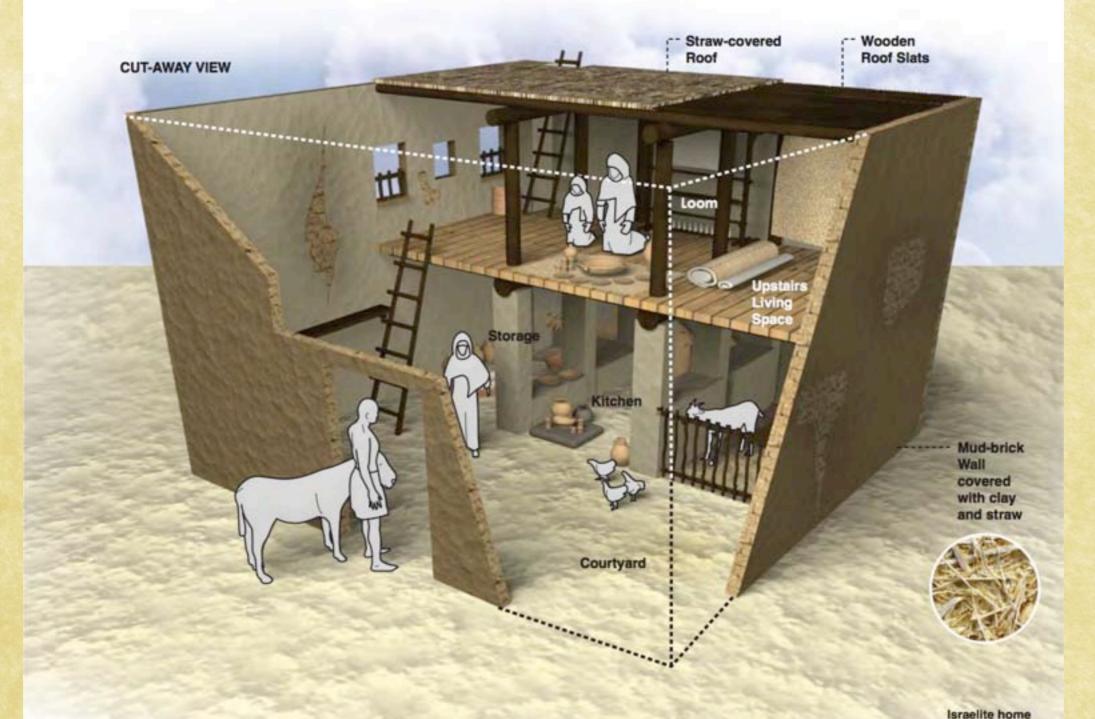
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Typical 1st Century AD Jewish Home

Living and Sleeping Quarters

Daytime Living Quarters where vulnerable or especially



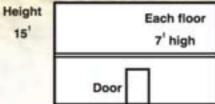
First-Century Israelite House

The homes of poor families were small and plain. They were built of rough stone (or mud-brick) walls and roofs of woven branches covered with clay. Living spaces were used for household work—cooking and weaving. At night, the family's domestic animals were housed in the lower level.

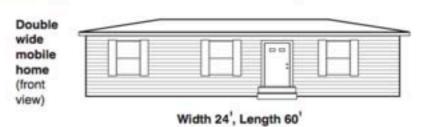
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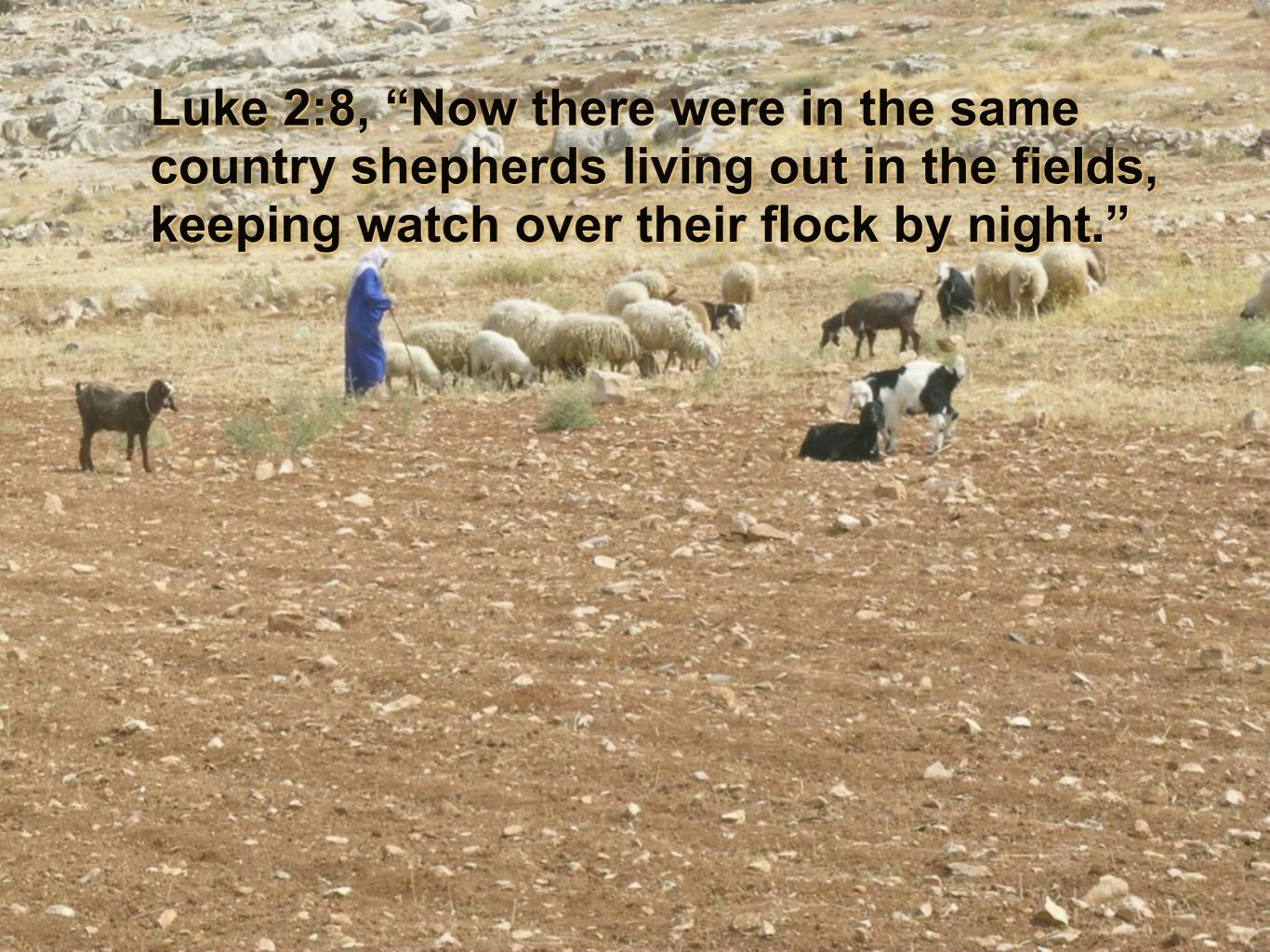
First-century houses were smaller than modern double-wide trailers and accommodated an entire family.

(front view)



Width 24', Length 24'





Luke 2:9, "And behold, an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were greatly afraid.

Luke 2:10, "Then the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people.'"

Luke 2:14, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men!" (NKJV-reflecting the Majority Text)

Luke 2:14, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among men with whom He is pleased." (NASB-reflecting the Westcott-Hort text)

Luke 2:15, "So it was, when the angels had gone away from them into heaven, that the shepherds said to one another, 'Let us now go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has come to pass, which the Lord has made known to us.'

Luke 2:16, "And they came with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the Babe lying in a manger.

Luke 2:17, "Now when they had seen Him, they made widely known the saying which was told them concerning this Child."

Luke 2:18, "And all those who heard it marveled at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

Luke 2:19, "But Mary kept all these things and pondered them in her heart.

Luke 2:20, "Then the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told them."