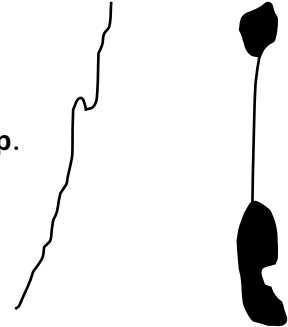


# MATTHEW 8.28-9.35

1. After Jesus calmed the storm on the sea of Galilee, where did he come to (8:28)? Later, he went back over the sea to where (9:1; see also 4:13)? Mark these locations on the **map**.



2. In the verses immediately preceding our reading for tonight, we saw that Jesus had **authority** over the wind and the sea. In you reading tonight, write down other things that you see Jesus had authority/power over (try to find at least four things).
3. Two **demon**-possessed men met Jesus. From 8:28, what effects do you see that the demons had in these men's lives?
4. How would you describe the demons' attitude toward Jesus (8:29-31)?
5. After the pigs ran down the steep bank and drowned in the sea, the herdsmen went into town and told the whole story to the people in town. But what specific detail does Matthew mention that they told the townspeople? Why do you think he mentions that they were told this piece of information?
6. For what **purpose** did Jesus heal the paralyzed man of his paralysis?

7. When Jesus forgave and healed the paralyzed man (9:1-8), what was the reaction of the **religious leaders**? What was the reaction of the **crowds**?

Later, when he healed the man who was mute (vv. 32-34), what was the reaction of the religious leaders? What was the reaction of the crowds?

8. In verse 10, Jesus attended at dinner at Matthew's house. Two different groups had problems with his eating habits. In verses 11ff, what problem did the Pharisees have with Jesus? In verses 14ff, what issue did John's disciples have with Jesus?

In response to the Pharisees, Jesus compared himself to what (v. 12)? In response to John's disciples, Jesus compared himself to what (v. 15)?

9. What title did the blind men call Jesus (v. 27)? What is meant by this designation?

10. Write down everything that you see in tonight's reading that is said about **faith**.