

flabby or sentimental, but always strenuous and severe. They believe and rejoice in the stately worship of the temple. There is no time when the psalmist is so glad as when they say to him, "Let us go to the house of Jehovah!" (122:1). But they never allow themselves to forget that acceptable worship must be the fruit of a true life, and that the only man who dare ascend the holy hill is the man of clean hands and a pure heart.

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Bar-ab-bas. A robber, who in an insurrection had committed murder. He was released by Pilate, on the demand of the people, instead of Jesus.

Beth-sai-da. The name means "house of hunting or fishing." It was a town on the Lake of Galilee, near the point where the Jordan entered. It was rebuilt by Philip the Tetrarch and named by him Julius, in honor of the daughter of the Emperor Augustus. Near it was the solitary grassy place where Jesus fed the 5,000.

Cæs-sa-re'a Phi-lip-pi; or Cæsarea of Philip, as distinguished from Cæsarea on the coast of Palestine, was a city at the foot of Mount Hermon, at the main source of the

Jordan. It was rebuilt by Philip the Tetrarch, and named in honor of the Emperor and himself. Peter's memorable confession was made nearby, Matt. 16:13; Mark 8:27.

Ca-per'-na-um. "The village of Nahum, or consolation." A town on the north-western shore of the Lake of Galilee, now generally identified with Tell Hum, where there are extensive ruins of an ancient city.

Cho-ra'-zin. A town, probably near the Lake of Galilee. Along with Bethsaida and Capernaum, it was condemned for not turning its privileges to account, Matt. 11:21; Luke 10:13.

De-ca'-po-lis. "An association of ten cities." A district commencing where the