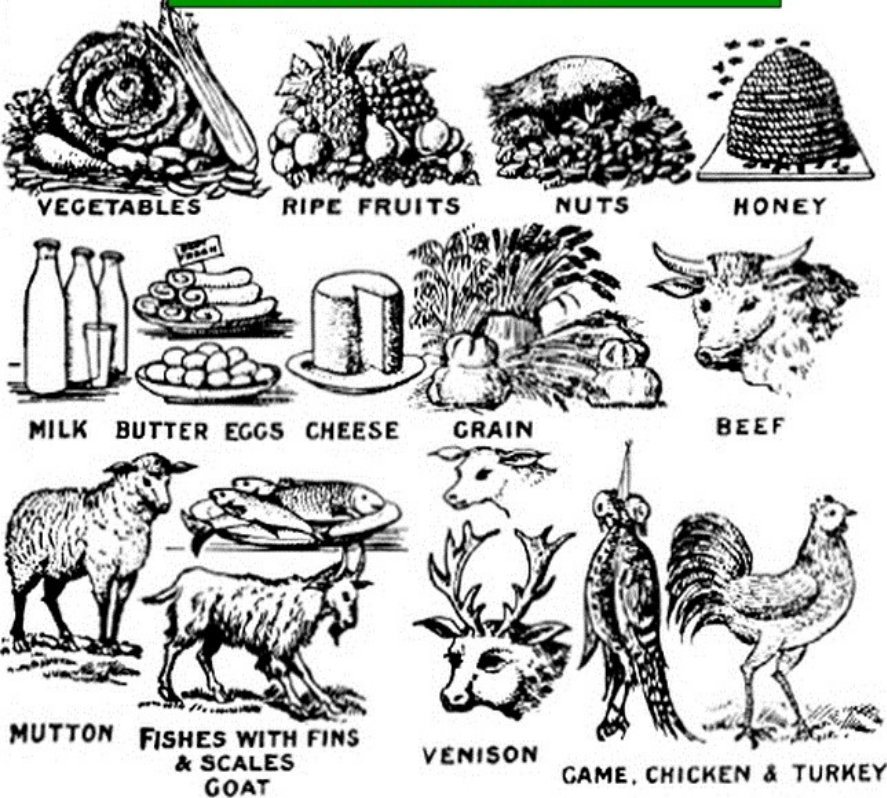


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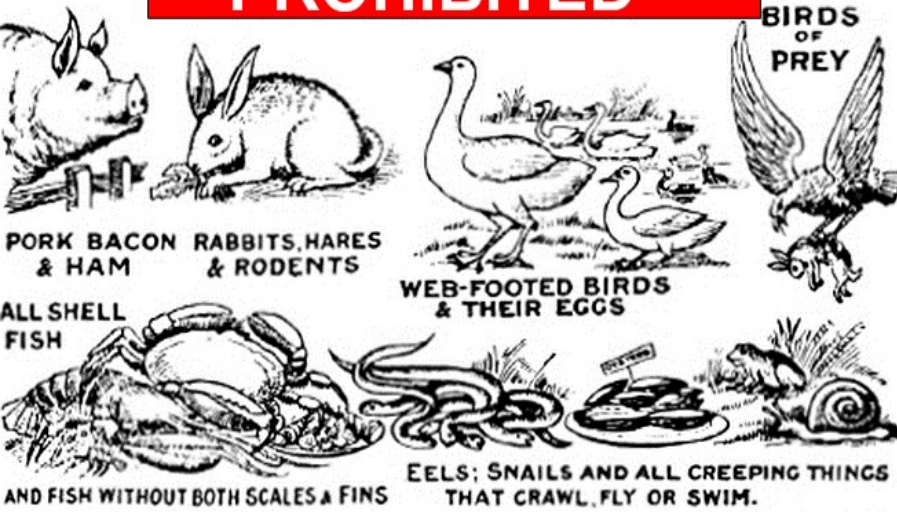
- Chrysostom “... *The temptation to indulge the belly....*”
- God’s original “One-Law Torah”.... Do NOT eat from one specific tree
- Adam had an abundance of food; Christ was starving
- Adam fell to the temptation, while Yeshua was victorious over it



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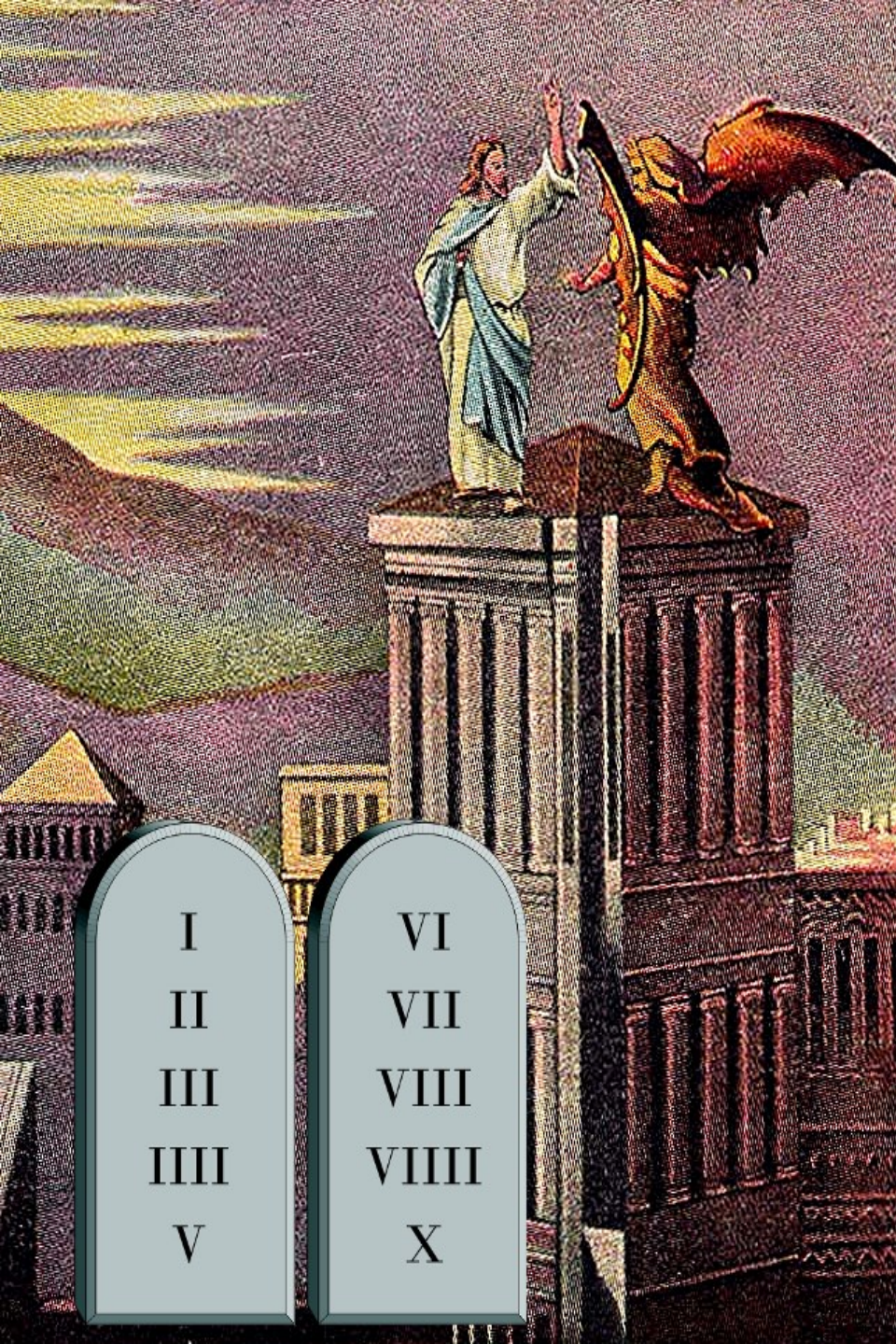
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- Food was the object of both Adam and Christ's 1st temptation
- All mankind was meant to obey God's dietary laws
- But... It is logical that only those who trust in God would follow these laws
- "We are what we eat" is both a physical and spiritual reality
- Edibility and health benefit is NOT the issue behind God's food selections.... The issue is obedience

PUTTING GOD ON TRIAL

- IF you are truly God's Son.....JUMP!!
- Hillary of Poitiers *"...as if towering over the law and the prophets..."*
- When we make doctrines that please us better than God's laws, we are doing as Satan tried to do
- Matthew 5:17 - 19



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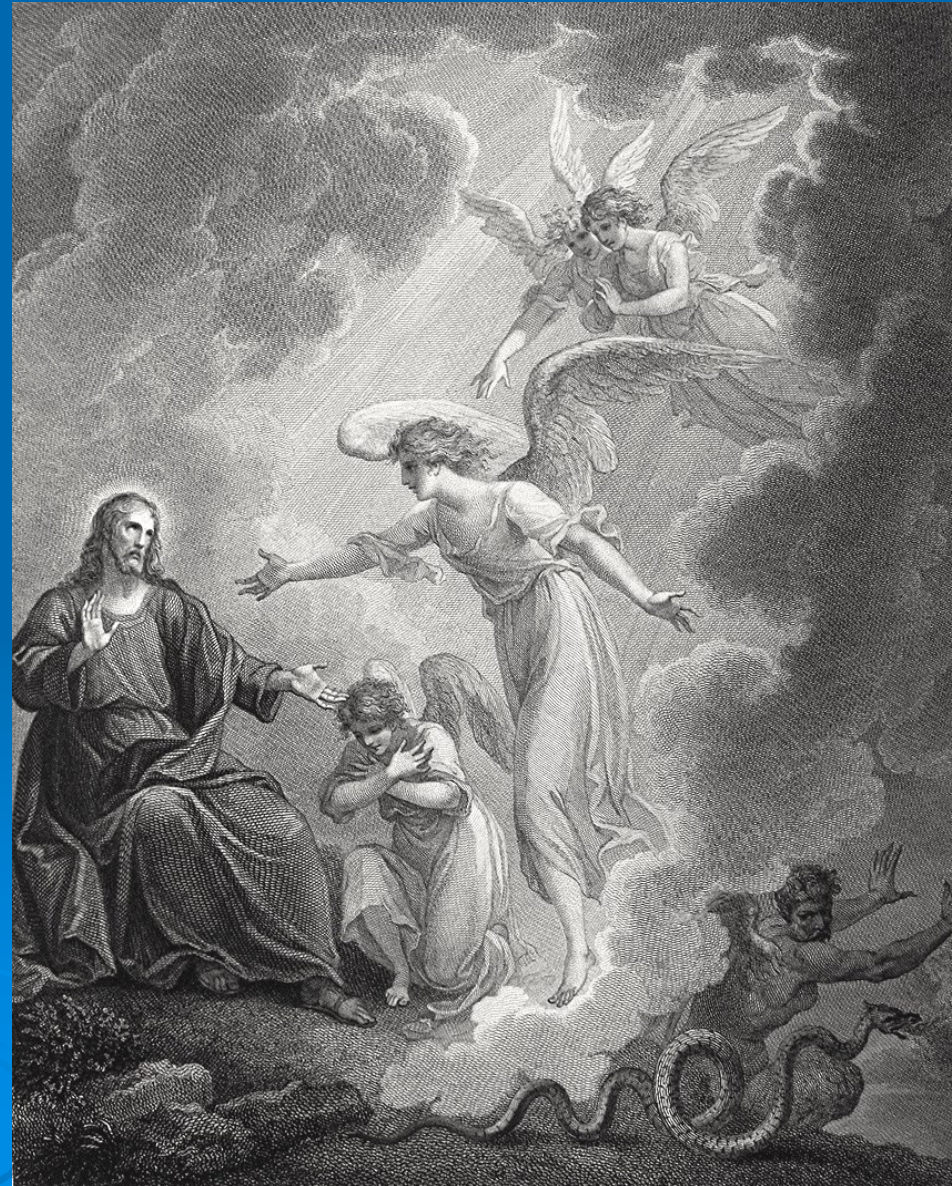
GET BEHIND ME SATAN!

- Jesus rebuffed Satan's offer to give Him all the world's kingdoms
- The Incomplete Work on Matthew, Homily 5 *"...it was the divinity of Christ or the Holy Spirit in Christ who drove away the Devil"*
- Mechanical quoting of Scriptures does not block Satan
- Mechanical doing of God's laws does not satisfy God
- It is the power of God in us that the Devil flees from



ANGELS MINISTER TO CHRIST

- Yeshua, the human being, **NEEDED** to be ministered to
- The ministering likely had to do with regaining his spiritual and emotional strength
- Vs. 12 Jesus learns that John the Baptist has been arrested
- Jesus leaves Judah for Galilee
- Was Yeshua fleeing or did His leaving not have to do with John's arrest?



YESHUA MOVES TO CAPERNAUM



- Matthew says move to Capernaum was to fulfill a prophecy of Isaiah
- *K'far Nahum* = Capernaum
- Because of the Assyrian and Babylonian exiles, the tribal borders were mostly erased
- Only Jews would have had any understanding of the ancient tribal borders
- More proof that Matthew was written mainly to Jewish Believers

ISAIAH'S PROPHECY

Captivity of Israel and Judah

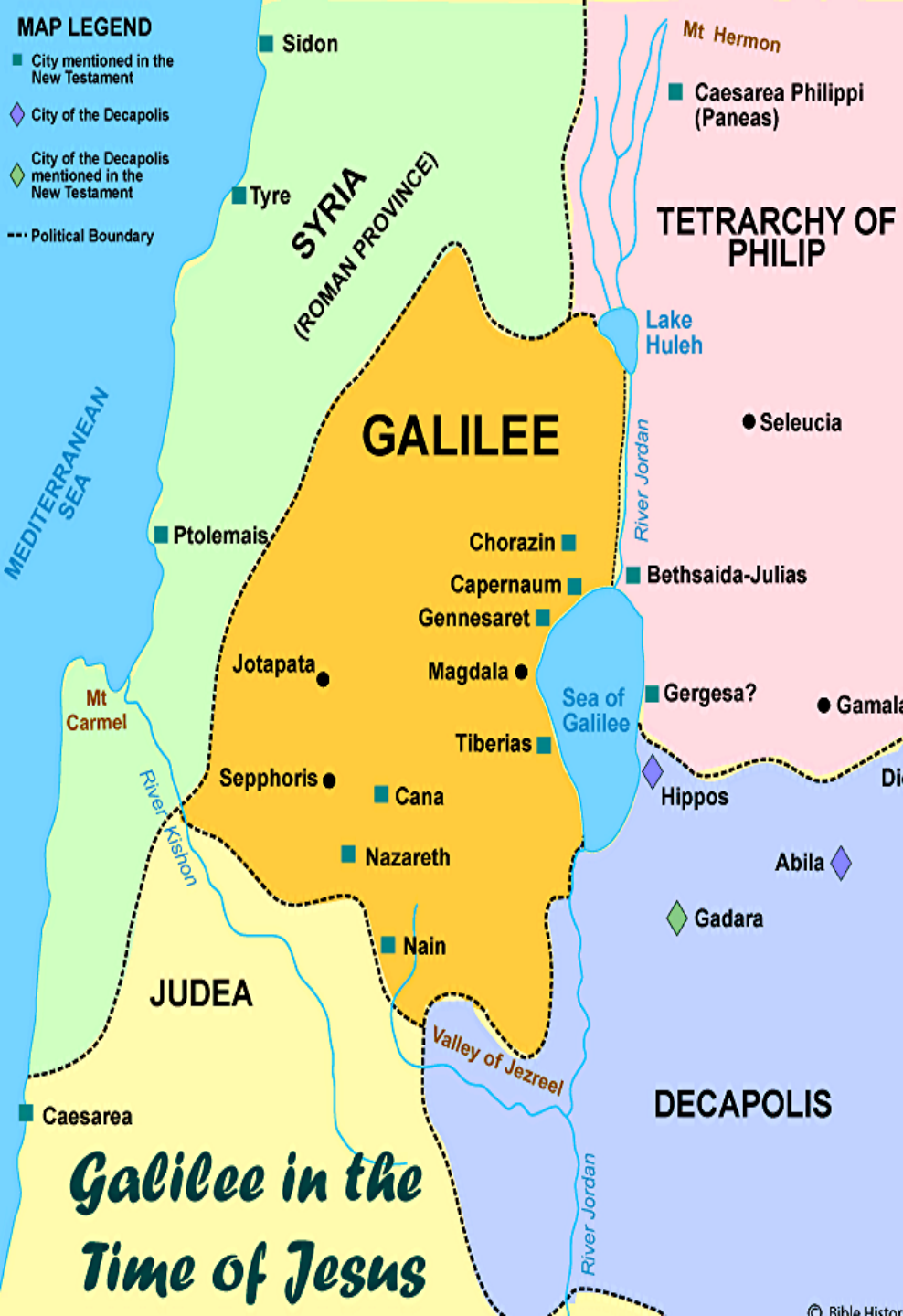


- Isaiah 8:1 – 9:6
- The exile is judgment for idolatry
- Israel is warned but is oblivious to their wickedness
- Society breaks down, problems increase
- People ask the Prophets to contact the dead
- They sacrifice to other gods
- They quit looking at God's Word for direction
- **CONFUSION !!!**



- Isaiah 8:11 God tells Isaiah NOT to join in the hysteria with his own people
- Don't dread, don't fear, don't believe the conspiracy theories
- The only remedy for confusion is to return to The Rock !
- 700 years pass from Isaiah's prophecy
- The tribal members of Zevulun & Naphtali don't live there anymore





Galilee in the Time of Jesus

- Matthew paraphrases Isaiah's prophecy
- His prophecy describes several lake-front villages
- Also areas east of the Jordan River
- "Galilee of the Gentiles" indicates gentile control and a large population of gentiles
- **Choshek** = obscurity, oppression, deception, evil
- **Owr** = enlightenment, revelation, God's goodness
- Shadow of death refers to eternal death

- Yeshua uses the same words as John: *turn from sins to God, the Kingdom of Heaven is near*
- Kingdom of Heaven is not a place..... It is God's rule expressed in the lives of humans beings
- The Kingdom is present, coming, and future
- John inaugurated it on Earth
- Yeshua and His disciples expand it via the Good News
- Kingdom completed upon new heavens and new earth



CHRIST CALLS FIRST DISCIPLES

- Lake Kinneret, Sea of Tiberias, Sea of Galilee all the same place
- Matthew says that Yeshua spotted Andrew and Peter and called them to come with Him
- John tells the story a bit differently
- John 1:35 – 42
- Andrew was John's disciple before he followed Yeshua

