



**FACING INTIMIDATION,
FILLED BY THE SPIRIT**

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Series: The Book of Acts. The Holy spirit.

Passage: Acts 3 and 4

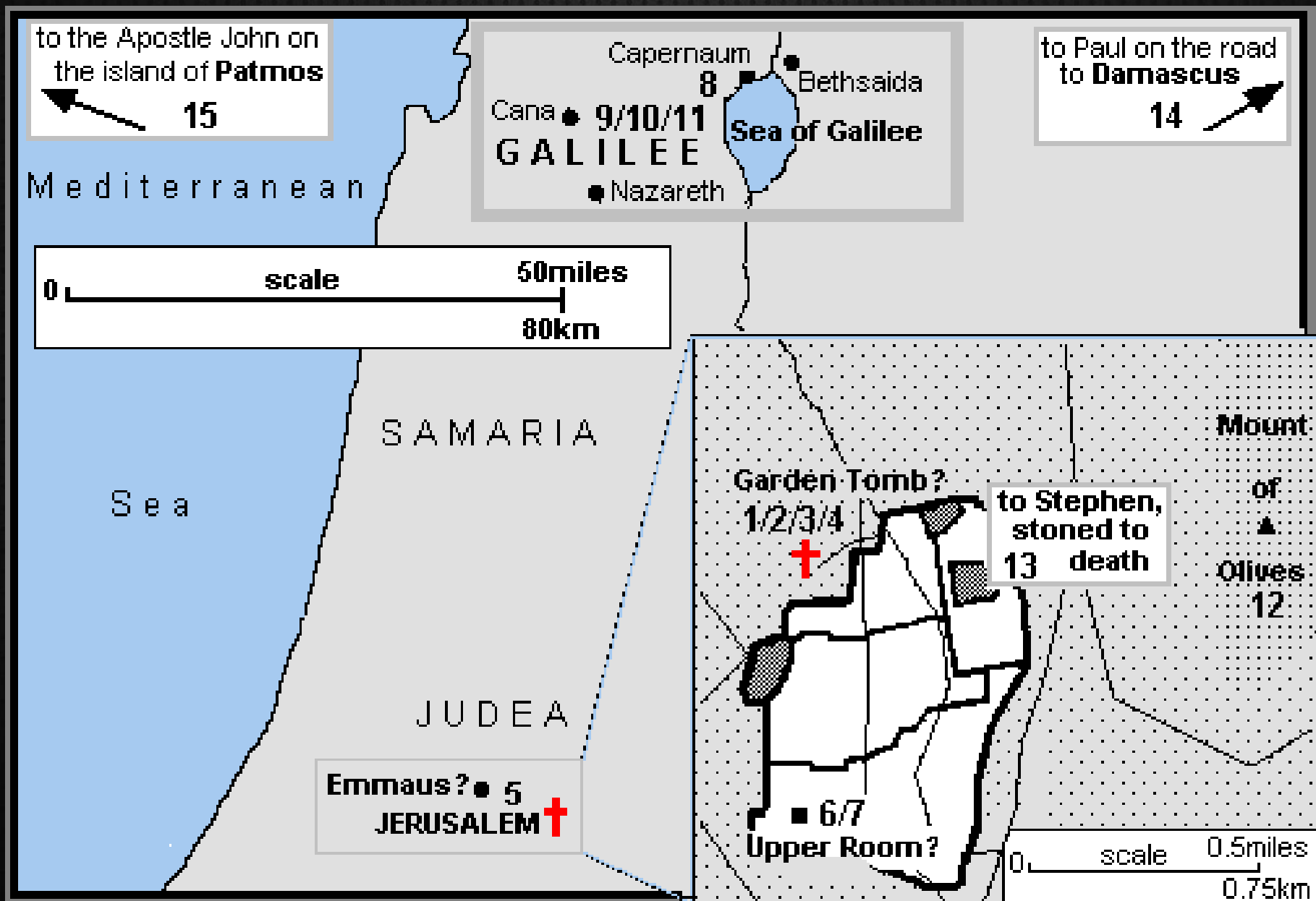
Acts 3

1 One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the time of prayer—at three in the afternoon. 2 Now a man who was lame from birth was being carried to the temple gate called Beautiful, where he was put every day to beg from those going into the temple courts. 3 When he saw Peter and John about to enter, he asked them for money. 4 Peter looked straight at him, as did John. Then Peter said, “Look at us!” 5 So the man gave them his attention, expecting to get something from them.

6 Then Peter said, “Silver or gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk.” 7 Taking him by the right hand, he helped him up, and instantly the man’s feet and ankles became strong.

8 He jumped to his feet and began to walk. Then he went with them into the temple courts, walking and jumping, and praising God.

From Galilee to Jerusalem

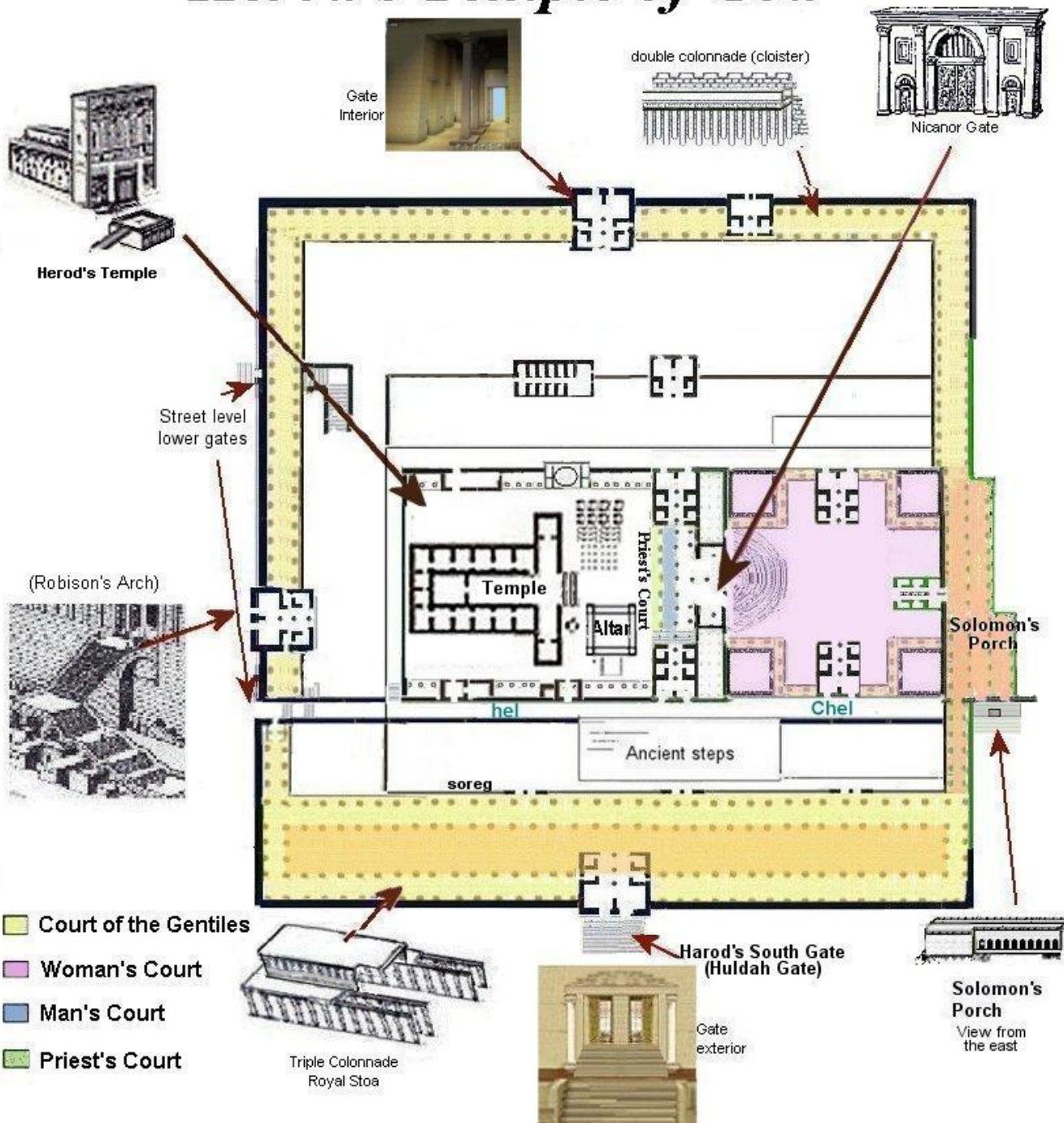


Double Gate
and monumental
stairway



Herod's Temple of God

Where ?



What do you know about the *Temple Mount*?

- John 2 (see notes: page one)
- Mark 14 (see notes: page 2)
- Who built this temple? How long has construction been going on?

John 2: 20-22

- When Jesus was born, what did King Herod do to all the baby boys? (see Matthew 2:16) Why did he do this?
- Consider the tense relations between King Herod and the religious Jews. Think: Why is The Temple Mount a politically charged, highly sensitive location?

Back to Acts 3. *Who partnered with who?*

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8 He jumped to his feet and began to walk. Then he went with them into the temple courts, walking and jumping, and praising God.
- 9 When all the people saw him walking and praising God, 10 they recognized him as the same man who used to sit begging at the temple gate called Beautiful, and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened

Page 2, Question 3.

How many persons participated in this partnership? Who were they?

Option A: 2 (Peter and John)

Option B: 3 (Who? _____, _____, _____)

Option C: 4 (Who? _____, _____, _____, _____)

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Peter and John were thrown into jail (Acts 3:3).
What do you think they were doing
the whole night?

- Who were the Sanhedrin?
Who were Annas and Caiaphus?

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Responding to intimidation

What did they do? What would *you* have done? Choose one option:

- felt sorry for themselves. “Everyone is hating on us!”
 - kept quiet so no one will get into trouble.
 - blamed Peter. He started all this!
 - Other: _____
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- Prayed? For what? Protection? Blessing? “Help me, solve my problems?!”
 - How was their prayer different than how you pray?
 - (Then use their prayer to write your own.)