## Road Trip: From Bethlehem to Jerusalem

## Up to Nazareth Matthew 2:19-23



Today we will look at five important aspects of Jesus' hometown of Nazareth:

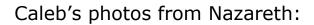
- 1. Nazareth was a town Surrounded by History.
- 2. Nazareth was a town Connected to Prophecy.
- 3. Nazareth was a town of Obscurity.
- 4. Nazareth was a town of Hostility.
  - Jesus could do no mighty works there because of

5. Nazareth delivers to us a Lesson for Eternity:

• Jesus is the Well to the Water of Life

Further scripture reading this week: Luke 4:14–30; Matthew 13:53-58

Next week's sermon: On to the Jordan River Matthew 3:13-17



Left: Re-creation of first century carpenter workshop.

Below: Re-creation of first century synagogue.

## MOUNT OF PRECIPICE THE LEAPING MOUNTAIN

RISING ABOVE THE SOUTHERN PART OF THE NAZARETH MOUNTAIN MT. OF PRECIPICE (397 METERS) LOOK OUT OVER NAZARETH, MT. TABOR AND THE YIZRAEL VALLEY AT ITS FOOT

MT. OF PRECIPICE IS ALSO KNOWN AS "THE LEAPING MOUNTAIN" - ACCORDING TO OLD TRADITION, JESUS JUMPED FROM THIS MOUNTAIN WHEN FLEETING HIS PURSUERS

AT THE FOOT OF THE MOUNTAIN IS THE "OAFZER" CAVE WHERE NEOLITHIC REMAINS WERE FOUND (7000 - 10000 B.C) INTO THE REMAINS OF THE MOSTERIAN PIRIOD (80000-10000 YEARS AGO)



The view of Nazareth from the Mount of Precipice. Photos curtesy of Marty Loop from her 2017 trip to the Holy Land.