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<b>Infancy Period</b>			
a	Gabriel announces birth of John the Baptist and Jesus. John's birth, Zacharias' prophecy.	9 mo.	Lk. 1:1-80, Mt. 1:18-25
1	Census decree of Caesar Augustus causes travel to Bethlehem.		Lk. 2:1-5
b	Christ born in Bethlehem, angelic announcement to shepherds, visit from shepherds.	40 days	Lk. 2:6-21
2	40 days of purification completed. First-borns to be presented to the Lord in temple. Travel to Jerusalem.		Lk. 2:22
c	Jesus presented in temple, Simeon's and Anna's prophecies	2 days?	Lk. 2:22-38
3	Return from Jerusalem to Beth.		
d	Living in Bethlehem, visit of the wise men from the east	2 - 3 <sup>a</sup> months?	Mt. 2:1-12
4	Flee to Egypt to avoid Herod's attempt to kill the child	na	Mt. 2:13
e	Killing of male children, Dwelling in Egypt until Herod's death.	2 years?	Mt. 2:14-18
5	Herod's death. Joseph's family returns to Israel.		Mt. 2:19-20
f	Joseph's family settles in Nazareth.	28 years?	Mt. 2:21-23
<b>Chapter 3 - Jesus' Baptism, Temptation and Early Judean Ministry</b>			
6	Jesus leaves Nazareth to be baptized		Mt. 3:13 Mk. 1:9
g	Jesus' baptism by John the Baptist at Bethany Beyond the Jordan.	2 days?	Lk. 4:21-22 Mt. 3:14-17
7	Holy Spirit leads Jesus to be tempted in the wilderness		Mk. 1:12 Lk. 4:1

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h	Jesus in the wilderness 40 days being tempted by the Devil	40 days	Lk. 4:2-13 Mt. 4:2-11
8	After the temptation Jesus returns to where John is baptizing.		Assumed <sup>b</sup>
i	Jesus calls Andrew, Peter, Nathaniel, Philip, and John?	Days? Weeks?	Jn. 1:35-40
9	Jesus travels to wedding in Cana		Jn. 2:1-2
j	Jesus and family attends wedding, first miracle, water to wine.	1 week	Jn. 2:2-11
10	After wedding went to Capernaum		Jn. 2:12
k	Jesus and early disciples at Capernaum.	"not many days"	Jn. 2:12
11	Travel to Jerusalem		Jn. 2:13
l	Jesus at the first Passover, cleanses temple, works signs, meeting with Nicodemus.	7-10 days?	Jn. 2:14-3:22
12	Jesus and disciples leave Jerusalem, go into Judean countryside.		Jn. 3:22
m	Jesus' ministry in Judean countryside baptizing, parallel with John baptizing at Aenon near Salim. Dispute between Jews and John's disciples. John's last recorded witness. John is imprisoned by Herod.	remained with them <sup>c</sup>	Jn. 3:23-36 Mt.4:12 Lk. 3:19-20
13	Jesus departs Judea, heads to Galilee via Samaria, stops at Sychar.		Jn. 4:1-4, 43 Mt. 4:12
n	Jesus evangelizes the Samaritan woman at Jacob's well. Ministers in Sychar to the Samaritans.	two days	Jn. 4:5-42
14	Leaves Sychar enters Galilee and goes to Cana.		Jn. 4:43-46
<b>Chapter 4 - Great Galilean Ministry</b>			
o	Initial reception by the Galileans in Cana, long distance healing of Nobleman's son at Capernaum	1-2 days?	Jn. 4:46-54

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15	Continues from Cana to Capernaum	1 day	Mt. 4:12-16
p	Calling of Simon, Andrew, James and John by sea of Galilee	2-3 days?	Mk. 1:14-20 MT. 4:13-22
16	Enter Capernaum, go to synagogue on the Sabbath.		Mk. 1:21
q	Exorcism in Capernaum synagogue. Healing of Simon's mother-in-law. <sup>d</sup> Entire city gathers at door in evening.		Mk. 1:21-37 Lk. 4:31-44 Mt. 8:14-17
17	Leave Capernaum and go to other cities throughout Galilee		Mk. 1:38 Lk. 4:43
r	Teaching throughout all of Galilee. Fame reaches Syria. People come from Judea and beyond the Jordan. Healing of leper. Sermon on the mount. <sup>e</sup>	1-2 months?	Mk. 1:39-45 Mt. 4:23-25 Lk. 4:14-15 Mt. 8:2-4 Mt. 5-7
18	Re-enter Capernaum, go to house, i.e likely his family's home.		Mk. 2:1 Mt. 9:1?
s	Heals paralytic lowered through ceiling. Pronounces sins forgiven, Scribes object.	A few days?	Mk. 2:2-12 Mt. 9:1-8 Lk. 5:18-26
19	Went out again by the sea.		Mk. 2:13a Mt. 8:18
t	Teaching the multitude. Calling of Levi, Matthew. <sup>f</sup>	-----	Mk. 2:13b Mk. 2:14 Mt. 9:9 Lk. 5:27-28
	Going through the grain fields on the Sabbath <sup>g</sup> , controversy with Pharisees	-----	Mk. 2:23-28 Mt. 12:1-8 Lk. 6:1-6
20	Enter Synagogue at Capernaum		Mk. 3:1a
u	Healed man with withered hand on the Sabbath, Isaiah fulfillments		Mk. 3:1b-6 Mt. 12:9-14 Mt. 12:15-21 Lk. 6:6-11
21	Leave synagogue in Capernaum, withdraw to the sea.		Mk. 3:7a

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v	Huge crowds from Galilee, Judea, Idumea, Tyre and Sidon, numerous healings and exorcisms. Went up on a mountain and appointed and commissioned the twelve. Sermon on the "plain" <sup>h</sup>	-----	Mk. 3:7b-12 Mk. 3:13-19a Mt. 10:1-42 Lk. 6:12-19 Lk. 6:20-49
22	Leave sea/mountain, enters Capernaum, then enters a house.		Mk. 3:19b Mt. 8:5a Lk. 7:1
w	Healing of Centurion's servant while on the way to the house. Multitude prevents them from eating, Jesus' family thinks He is insane. Demon possessed, blind, mute man healed, Jesus accused of casting out demons by Beelzebub, strong man parable, tree and its fruit, who is my mother, brother... those doing God's will	-----	Mt. 8:5-17 Lk. 7:1-10 Mk. 3:20-35 Mt. 12:22-50 Lk. 8:19-21
23	Went out of the house (Capernaum) returns to the sea.		Mk. 4:1a Mt. 13:1-2
x	Got into a boat to teach multitude on shore, teaching of parables. Explaining parables to the disciples	-----	Mk. 4:1b-34 Mt. 13:3-35 Lk. 8:4-18? Mt. 13:36-52
24	Jesus challenges would be disciples when they proceed to cross the sea from west to east, to Gadara.	-----	Mt. 8:18-22 Mk. 4:35 Lk. 8:22 Jn. 6:1?
y	Stilling storm of the sea. Healing Gadarene demoniac, demons possess swine, people ask Jesus to leave.		Mk. 4:36-5:20 Mt. 8:23-34 Lk. 8:23-39
25	Cross sea from east back to Capernaum (Mt. 9:1)		Mk. 5:18,21 Mt. 9:1 Lk. 8:27, 40

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z	Reception in Levi's house, why do you eat with sinners, question on fasting, wineskin and garment patch parables. <sup>i</sup> Raising of Jairus' daughter, healing of woman with flow of blood.  Healing of two blind men (unique to Matthew)	-----	Mk. 2:15-22 Mt. 9:10-17 Lk. 5:29-39 Mk. 5:22-43 Mt. 9:18-26 Lk. 8:41-56 Mt. 9:27-31
26	Travel from Capernaum to Nain? <sup>j</sup>		Mk. 6:1 Lk. 7:11
aa	Raising widow of Nain's son, news reaches John the Baptist. John sends two disciples to question Jesus, Jesus' discourse about John <sup>k</sup> . Jesus pronounces woes on unrepentant cities, issues great invitation. Simon the Pharisee invites Jesus, penitent woman washes Jesus' feet.	-----	Lk.7:12-17 Mt. 11:2-19 Lk. 7:18-35 Mt. 11:20-30 Lk. 10:10-15 <sup>l</sup> Lk. 7:36-50
27	Travel from Nain to Nazareth? <sup>m</sup> (use verse list great Galilean min 3)		Mk. 6:1 Mt. 13:53-54
ab	Rejection at Nazareth		Mk. 6:1-6a Mt. 13:54-58 Lk. 4:16-30
28	Leave Nazareth, begin new circuit through Galilee		Mk. 6:6b
29 <sup>n</sup>	Travel from Galilee to Jerusalem		Jn. 5:1
ac	Jesus attends unnamed feast in Jerusalem, heals paralytic of 38 years, Sabbath controversy with Pharisees, major hostility.		John 5:2-47
30	Jesus returns to Galilee from Jerusalem		Assumed

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ad	Going about through Galilee (2nd circuit)  Instructing the 12 disciples.  Sending the twelve out two by two from somewhere in Galilee. John the Baptist's execution	-----  ----- -----	Mk. 6:6b MT. 9:35 Mk. 6:7-11, MT. 9:36-10:42 Lk. 9:1-5 Mk. 6:12-13 Lk. 9:6, 10 Mk. 6:14-29 Mt. 14:1-12 Lk. 9:7-9
31	Attempt to go to a deserted place using a boat NW of Bethsaida <sup>o</sup> (Lk. 9:10 <sup>p</sup> ). The feeding of 5000 was in the countryside.		Mk. 6:31-32 MT. 14:13 Lk. 9:10
ae	Feeding of the 5000 in the wilderness		Mk. 6:33-45 MT. 14:13-23 Lk. 9:11-17 John 6:1-15
32	Headed to Capernaum and ended up in Capernaum synagogue, Jesus walks on water.  or <sup>q</sup> Headed toward Bethsaida (Mk. 6:45) but ended up in Gennesaret (due to storm)		Jn. 6:16-17, 59  Mk. 6:45, 53 Mt. 14:34
af	Jesus and Peter walk on water.  Bread of life discourse in Capernaum. Many disciples desert Jesus	----- -----	Mt. 14:24-33 Mk. 6:47-52 Jn. 6:25-59 Jn. 6:60-71
33	Leave Capernaum go through villages		Mk. 6:54-56
ag	Final ministry to Galilean villages  Conflict with Jews from Jerusalem over purification,	----- -----	Mk. 6:55-56 Mt. 14:34-36 Mk. 7:1-23 Mt. 15:1-20
34	End second Galilean circuit, head to region of Tyre and Sidon		Mk. 7:24 Mt. 15:21
ah	In Tyre and Sidon, Heals Syro-Phoenician woman's daughter		Mk. 7:25-30 Mt. 15:22-28

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35	From Tyre-Sidon to region of Decapolis		Mk. 7:31 Mt. 15:29
ai	Healing of the deaf and mute man Healing many Gentiles Feeding of the 4000 Gentiles	----- -----	Mk. 7:32-37 Mt. 15:29-31 Mk. 8:1-9 Mt. 15:32-39
36	Go to region of Magdala (or Magadan) or Dalmanutha (see Mk.)		Mk. 8:10 Mt. 15:39
aj	Dispute with Pharisees, request sign. Cross back to east side of sea. Lesson on leaven of the Pharisees		Mk. 8:11-12 Mt. 16:1-12
37	Go to Bethsaida		Mk. 8:22
ak	Healed blind man out of town in two stages.		Mk. 8:23-26
38	Travel to towns of Caesarea Philippi		Mk. 8:27a Mt. 16:13a
al	Jesus questions disciples, "Who do you say the Son of Man is?" Peter's confession, Peter "reproves" Jesus. Lesson on discipleship.		Mk. 8:27b-9:1 Mt. 16:13b-28 Lk. 9:18-27
<b>Chapter 5 - Jesus Steadfastly Going to Jerusalem</b>			
39	Six days later journey to a high mountain, Mount Hermon?		Mk. 9:2a Mt. 17:1 Lk. 9:28
am	Transfiguration with Peter, James, John  Why do scribes say Elijah must come first? A demon the disciples can't cast out.	----- ----- -----	Mk. 9:2b-8 Mt. 17:2-9 Lk. 9:28-36 Mk. 9:11-13 Mt. 17:10-13 Mk. 9:14-27 Mt. 17:14-18 Lk. 9:37-45
40	Return to a house in Caesarea Philippi		Mk. 9:28a
an	Disciples ask Jesus why they couldn't cast out the demon,		Mk. 9:28-29 Mt. 17:19-21

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41	Secretly return from Caesarea Philippi to Galilee, to house in Capernaum		Mk. 9:30 Mt. 17:22, 24?
ao	Jesus predicts His rejection, dispute on the road as to who will be the greatest. Jesus spends time teaching His disciples. Paying temple tax miracle.		Mk. 9:31-50 Lk. 9:46-50 Mt. 17:22-18:27
42	Leave Galilee (Capernaum) travel east of the Jordan to Judea (Jericho)		Mk. 10:1 Mt. 19:1 Lk. 9:51?
ap	Multitudes follow and are healed. Pharisees question Jesus re. divorce.  Children brought to Jesus  The rich young ruler  Jesus' landowner parable Jesus predicts His death  James and John ask to sit at Jesus' side	----- ----- ----- ----- ----- ----- -----	Mt. 19:2 Mk. 10:2-12 Mt. 19:3-12 Mk. 10:13-16 Mt. 19:13-15 Mk. 10:17-31 Mt. 19:16-30 Mt. 20:1-16 Mk. 10:32-34 Mt. 20:17-19 Mk. 10:35-45 Mt. 20:20-28
43	Enter and leave Jericho		Mk. 10:46 Mt. 20:29
aq	Jesus heals blind men outside of Jericho		Mk. 10:46-52 Mt. 20:29-34
44	Jesus travels from Jericho to Bethpage		Mk. 11:1 Mt. 21:1
ar	Prepare for triumphal entry		Mk. 11:1-6 Mt. 21:1-6
45	From Bethphage to Jerusalem		Mk. 11:7 Mt. 21:7
as	Triumphal Entry Cleansing the temple		Mk. 11:8-18 Mt. 21:8-16 Jn. 12:12-15
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	Jesus heals the two blind men		Mt. 9:27-38

- a. Two to three months is the estimate of the time it took the wise men to travel from the east to Jerusalem. Their arrival triggered Herod's fear of a political rival.
- b. Since Jesus was led to the wilderness immediately after being baptized he must have returned to where John was baptizing after the temptation for the events described in John ref-ref. Though we would not get this impression from Luke 4:12 and Matthew 4:
- c. The them, referring to His disciples includes only Andrew, Simon (Peter), Phillip, Nathaniel, and likely John.
- d. The precise chronological location of the Sermon on the mount is difficult to determine. Matthew places it *prior* to the healing of Peter's mother-in-law (see 8:14). If Matthew is following strict chronological order then it must be somewhere in period "q". But it's not clear that he always follows such order and there seems to be little time for it to fit in "q". Period "r" seems more likely. If we assume Matthew's sermon on the mount is a separate occasion from Luke's sermon on the plain then "r" is a likely period. If the two are the same event then Luke's location is most likely.
- e. See note d.
- f. In their narratives Mark and Matthew include the reception at Levi's home immediately after his calling but the reception didn't occur until sometime later. See event z.
- g. Assuming Mark is reporting in chronological order (except for Matthew's reception, see note f) the scene of going through the grain fields follows Matthew's calling. Also where the controversy with the Pharisees took place is uncertain, however Mt. 12:9 indicates it did not take place in the synagogue.
- h. For "plain" see Lk. 6:17, similar to sermon on the mount, Mt. 5-7. Some think that the sermon here is a reduced report of Matthew 5-7. But the circumstances appear different enough to justify that this is a similar sermon given on another occasion during the great Galilean ministry.

- i. The reason I've placed Matthew's banquet here is because in Matthew's account it immediately precedes the raising of Jairus' daughter (assuming Matthew did place these two events in chronological order, see Mt. 9:18). Mark's chronology of raising Jairus' daughter is followed in my ordering of events.
- j. It doesn't seem possible to know when during the great Galilean ministry Jesus went to Nain. Luke is the only gospel which records it. The visit to Nain and Nazareth are sequenced here simply because they are geographically close. Pure conjecture.
- k. Either while in Nain? or Capernaum?
- l. Luke 10:10-15 occurs during Jesus giving instructions to the 70 he is sending out. This appears to be a different occasion than Matthew 11:20-30 which is addressed to a group in a public setting. Mark does not contain either occasion.
- m. See note j.
- n. Transition 29 and 30 and event ac are not intended to represent actual historical location in the sequence of events. We know that Jesus attended a Jerusalem feast (Jn. 5:1) prior to the feeding of the 5000, thus prior to Mark 6:32-45 (see event ae). John 6:4 simply states that the passover was near. None of the synoptics mentions Jesus' attendance at this feast (Jn. 5:1) but he must have traveled from Galilee to Jerusalem and back (as shown in the chart)
- o. "Jesus and the Twelve withdraw from an undisclosed location on the western shore of the lake and go by boat to a deserted area. Where the feeding of the five thousand occurred we do not know, but the hill country north of Capernaum and west of Bethsaida (see Luke 9:10) is a reasonable suggestion." The Gospel according to Mark, Pillar Series, James R. Edwards.
- p. "Although Luke says they went to the town (my comment- unless you use the TR text, which adds a deserted place near Bethsaida) he has a tendency to simply refer to the nearest town, i.e. they were in a deserted place with Bethsaida as the nearest town." (Add commentary reference-forgot who mentioned this)
- q. I see no means of reconciling John's account of what happened after the feeding of the 5000 which has Jesus and the disciples ending up at Capernaum (Jn. 6:16-17, 59) on the *day after* feeding the 5000 (Jn. 6:22) and Jesus walking on water (Jn. 6:17-21), with Mark and Matthew's account of them heading for Bethsaida (Mk. 6:45, Mt. says "other side") but due to the storm landing at Gennesaret (Mk. 6:53, Mt. 14:34). Neither do Matthew and Mark leave any time for the bread of life discourse in the synagogue at Capernaum on the day after the crossing the sea incident. Is it possible they traveled between Capernaum and Gennesaret during the day after the sea crossing incident?  
Also when they leave the feeding site and head for Capernaum by boat they must be intending to go from East to west across the northern end of the sea and doing this by boat avoids them having to cross the Jordan? If the feeding was on the east of the Jordan how did the 5000 get there in the first place?

