

1 Corinthians 13:4-8 Love

Love is patient, love is kind. It is not jealous,
(love) is not pompous, it is not inflated,
it is not rude, it does not seek its own interests, it
is not quick-tempered, it does not brood over
injury,

it does not rejoice over wrongdoing but rejoices
with the truth.

It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all
things, endures all things.

Love never fails.



(Comment...)

Agape, biblical love, never fails. It is unconditional good will. It is always the will of God because “God is love.” When we are loving we are not sinning and when we are sinning we are not loving. Therefore, love fulfills the Law and the Prophets. As John says, “Let us love one another.”



Let us pray...

Father,

You love us beyond what we can imagine. You are patient. You are kind. You do not brood over injury. You never fail. Give us your holy Spirit to make us more like you.

Your personal intentions...

In Jesus' name we pray...Amen

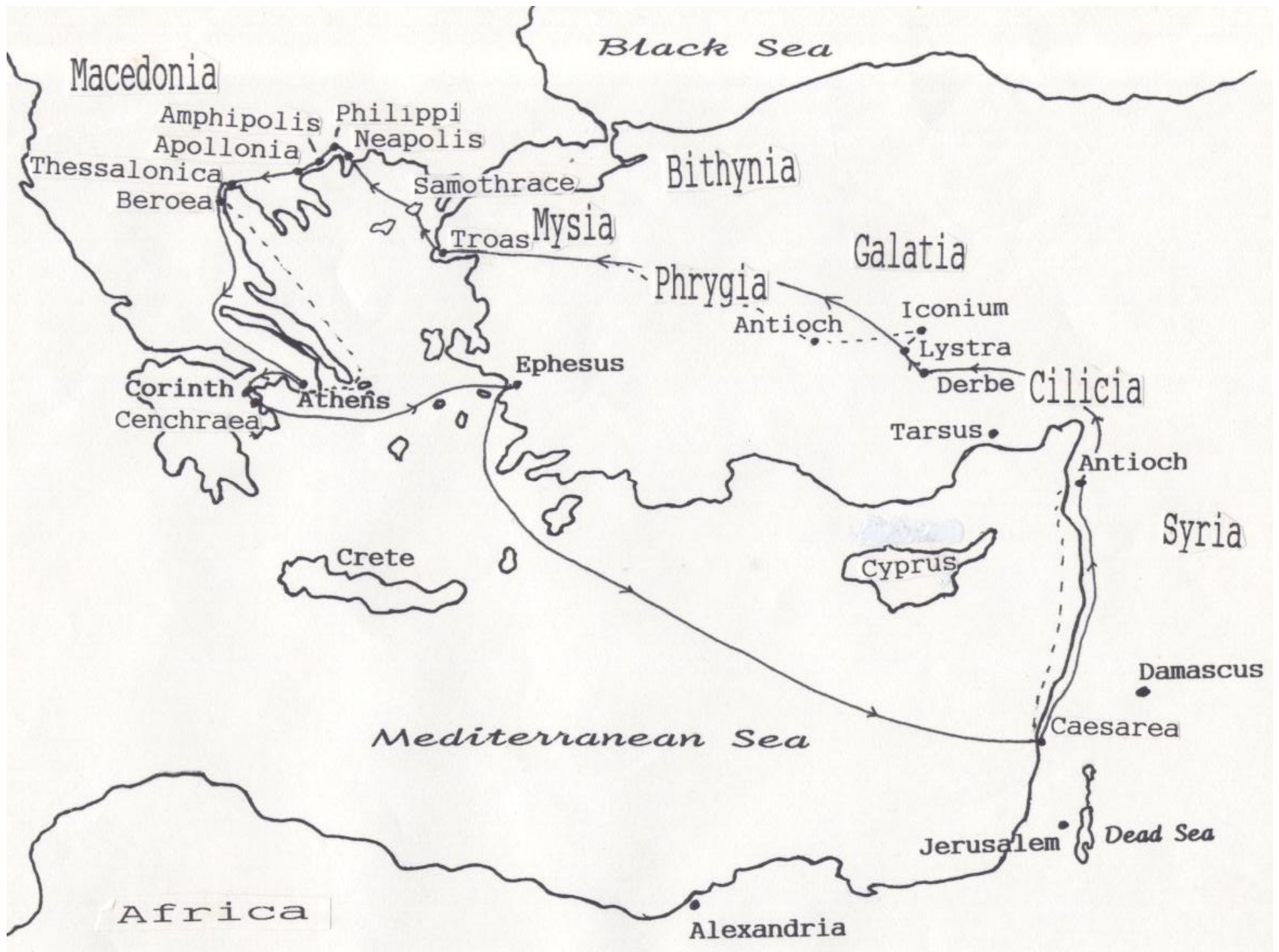
In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit...Amen

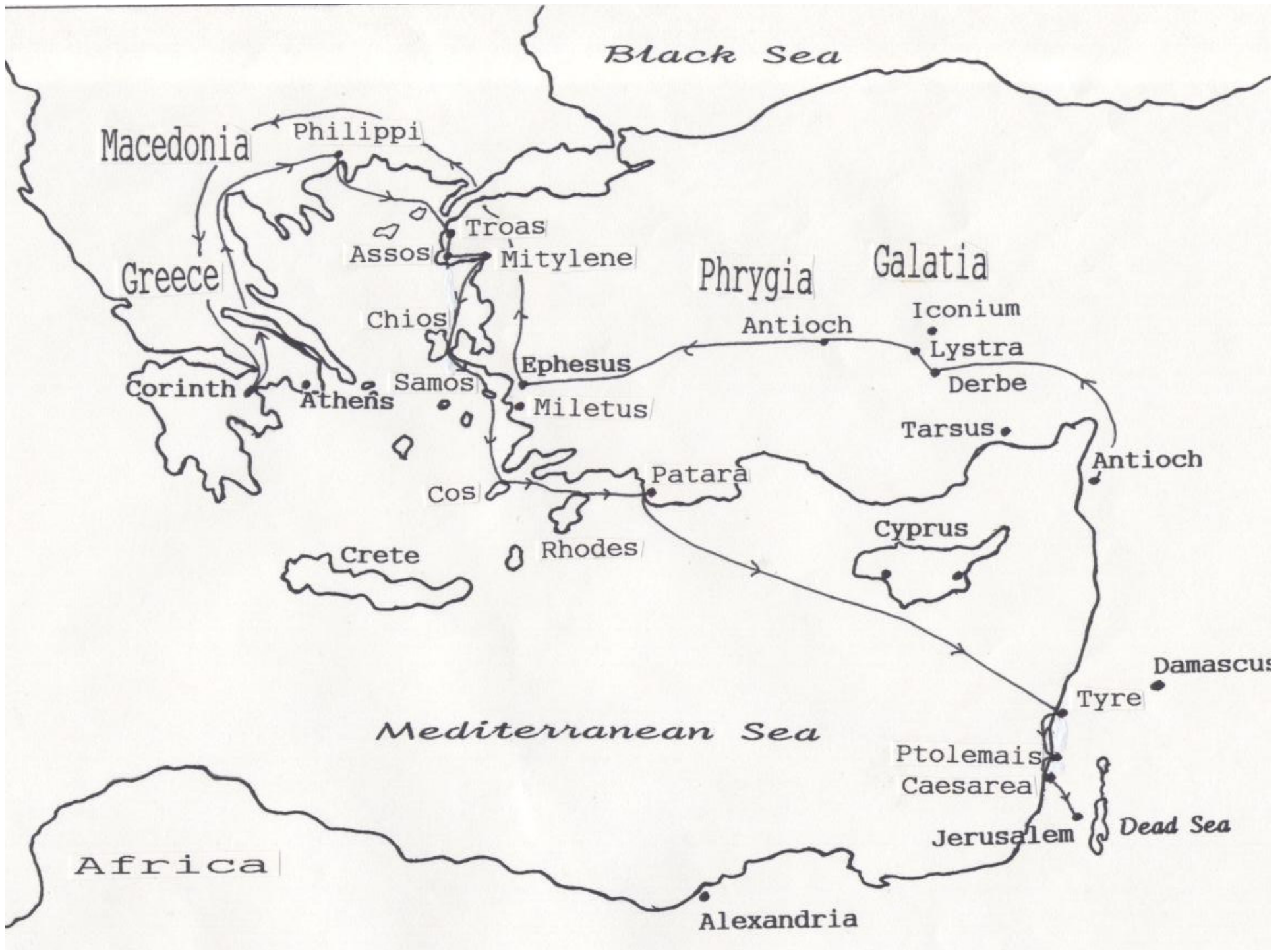


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The Christian Community was founded by Paul on his second missionary journey, c. 51 AD.

This is one of four or more letters Paul wrote to the Christians in Corinth while he was living in Ephesus (on his third journey).





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- Paul wrote to correct problems with:
 - Factions (1:10-16; 3:1-4)
 - Greek wisdom (2:6-16)
 - Sexual immorality (6:12-20)
 - Pagan sacrifices (10:18-31)
 - Misuse of spiritual gifts (14:13-25)
 - Disorder in worship (14:26-40)
 - Beliefs about resurrection (15:12-18)



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- Paul wrote to give correction *and* general instruction about:
 - Eucharist (11:23-34)
 - The Body of Christ (Chapter 12)
 - Love (Chapter 13)