## Synagogue (first century A.D.)

Capernaum First Century Synagogue interior view

The Synagogues had no decorations or representations on the walls

Opposite the entrance in the east wall of the first century synagogue in which Jesus preached, were stone benches on three sides.

On the right side of the entrance was a stone seat, called Moses' Seat, where the teacher sat.

## ENTRANCE

In the centre of the hall was a reading platform, consisting of a decorated square stone on which a wooden lectern was constructed.

## The reader is facing Jerusalem

The reader read from the Torah scroll that was brought into the synagogue in a wheeled cart, which was placed at the left side of the entrance. The ruler of the synagogue placed the scroll on the lectern.



