

The Unified Scriptures

The Story of the Bible

North Hixson church of Christ

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Lesson 5: Moses

Exodus – Deuteronomy



Course Objectives

- To grow in our knowledge and understanding of the facts, themes, and principles of scripture. (2 Tim 3:15)
- To gain confidence in the inspiration of the Bible and its power to change our lives. (Heb. 4:12)
- To increase our faith and hope in God and His wisdom. (1 Peter 1:21)
- To equip ourselves with the ability to tell the story of the Bible to others. (Mark 16:15)





The Promises to Abram

Then He said to Abram: "**Know certainly** that your descendants will be **strangers in a land that is not theirs**, and will serve them, and they will afflict them **four hundred years**."

And also the nation whom they serve I will judge; afterward they shall come out with great possessions.

Now as for you, you shall go to your fathers in peace; you shall be buried at a good old age. But in the fourth generation they shall return here, for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet complete."

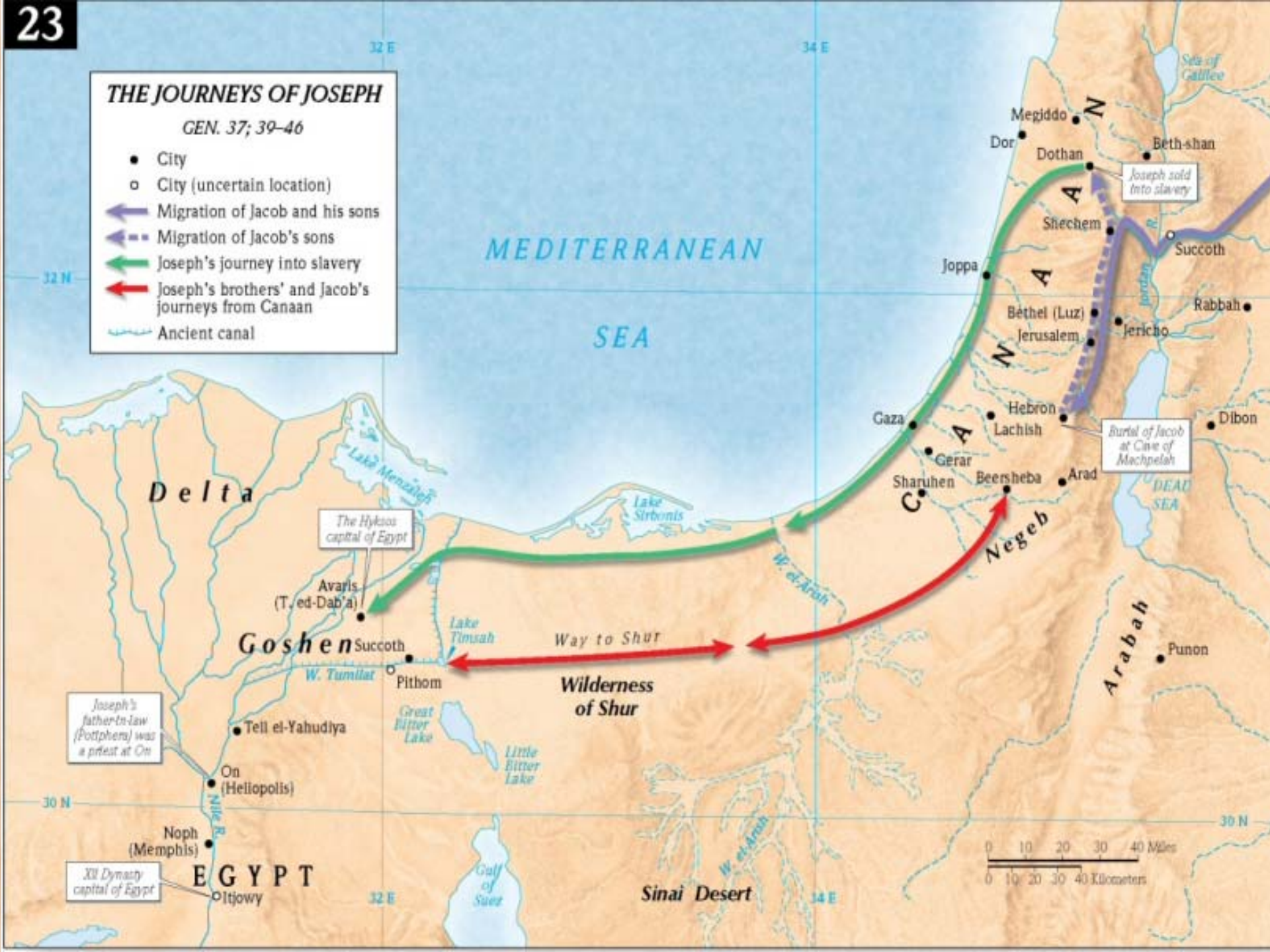
-- Genesis 15:16

Strangers in the Land

- **Joseph**
 - Sold into slavery in Egypt
 - Through God's providence he rises to second in command
 - Famine affects Israel's family – Egypt is their source of food
 - Joseph interacts with them, secretly at first
 - Joseph encourages them to move to Egypt
 - 70 family members move to Egypt, region of Goshen (fulfills God's prophecy to Abraham)
- **Joseph believes God's promises**
 - Genesis 50:24-26

THE JOURNEYS OF JOSEPH
 GEN. 37; 39-46

- City
- City (uncertain location)
- ← Migration of Jacob and his sons
- ← Migration of Jacob's sons
- ← Joseph's journey into slavery
- ← Joseph's brothers' and Jacob's journeys from Canaan
- Ancient canal



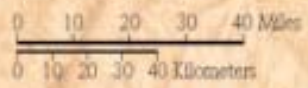
Joseph's father-in-law (Potiphar) was a priest at On

XII Dynasty capital of Egypt

The Hyksos capital of Egypt

Joseph sold into slavery

Burial of Jacob at Cave of Machpelah



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Timeline

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430 Years

Exodus 12:40,41

Biblical Silence

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 - Hardship imposed by Pharaoh
 - Hard tasks 1:8-11, 14
 - Death of male children 1:15-16
- God has not forgotten Israel
 - Israel multiplies 1:12
 - Israel spared 1:17
- God provides a deliverer – Moses (Acts 7:17-36)

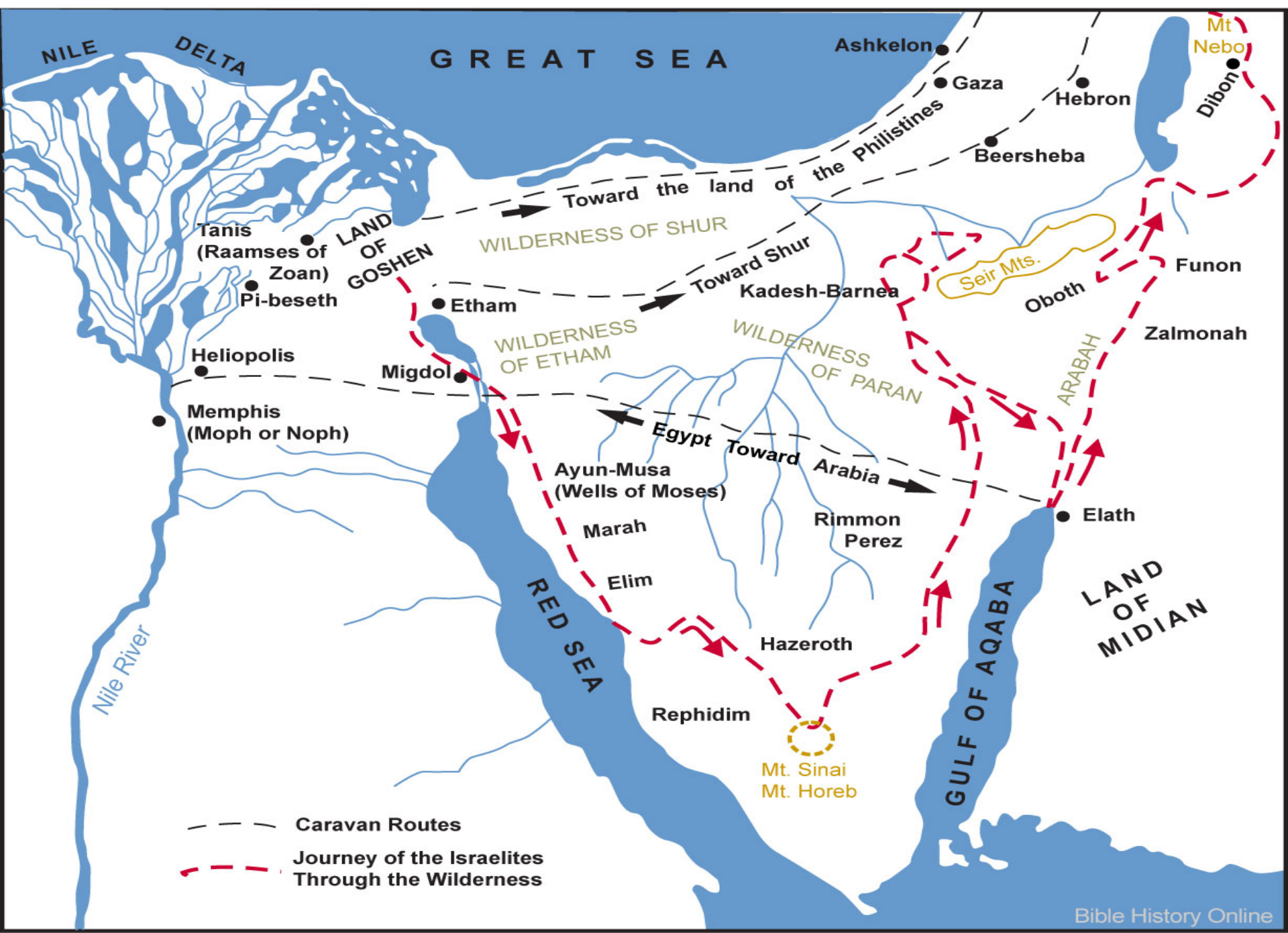


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- **God's Covenant with Israel**
 - Exodus 19:1-11
 - God wants to make Israel:
 - A special treasure above all people (5)
 - A kingdom of priests (7)
 - A holy nation (7) – **fulfillment of promise to Abraham**
 - Conditioned upon what? (5)
 - Their obedience was in response to what? (4)



Moses

- **Israel Meets the Lord**
 - Preparation (19:14,15)
 - Jehovah appears (19:16-20)
- **The 10 Commandments / The Law**
 - Jehovah speaks directly to the people (20:1-17)
 - The people were afraid (20:18-20)
- **Covenant Ratified (24:1-8)**
 - People agree to be bound by the covenant
 - Altar and the people are sanctified
 - Covenant meal eaten (24:9-11)

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Israel at Sinai

(Exodus – Numbers 10)

- **God Gives Moses the Law**
 - National organization
 - Health laws
 - Moral laws
 - Worship defined
 - Formal sacrificial/justification system setup to deal with sin
- **Israel constructs the tabernacle, articles of worship**
 - Tabernacle assembled
 - Worship and sacrifices begin





The Tabernacle

Israel Starts Toward Canaan

Numbers 10 - 36

- **Organized Travel, Led by God**
- **Problems Along the Way**
 - Complaints about water
 - Complaints about food
 - Complaints about Moses' leadership
- **Spying the Promised Land** (Num 13,14)
 - 10 spies, 8 do not believe the land can be taken,
2 believe God can deliver as promised
 - People are persuaded by the 8
and do not trust the Lord
- **God sentences Israel to death** (14:28-35, 22)



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Israel wanders in the wilderness 40 years, until all 20 and over die



Israel East of Jordan

- **Wilderness Wandering** (38 years – Dt 2:14)
 - More sin and rebellion
- **Division of Promised Land by Tribe**
- **Last of the People Die**
- **Moses Delivers Series of Sermons to the People (Deuteronomy)**
- **Moses Dies – Last of those 20 and older**
- **Joshua Takes Leadership of Israel**

Key Principles

- **God wants to forgive and bless His people** (Lev 26:3,9-13)
- **The folly of disobedience** (Hebrews 3:12-19)
- **The nature of saving faith** (Hebrews 12:1-4;18-25)
- **Faith + Obedience = God's Blessings**



Next Week

Lesson 6:

Joshua & Judges

