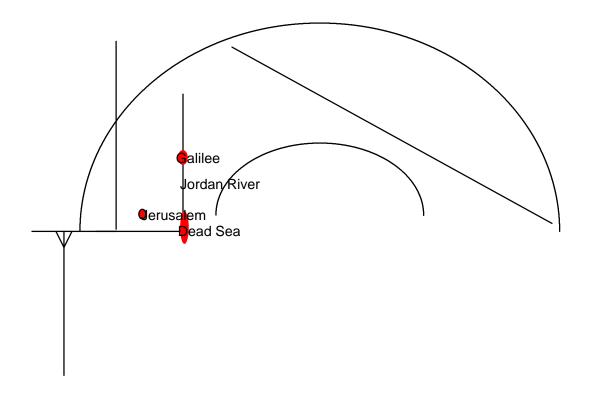
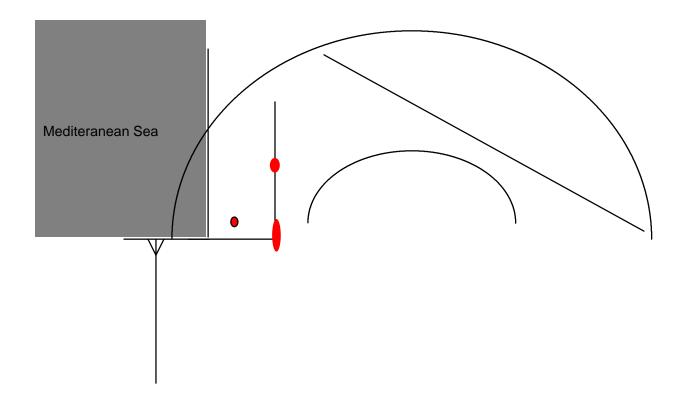
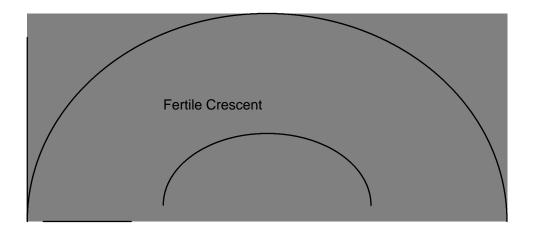
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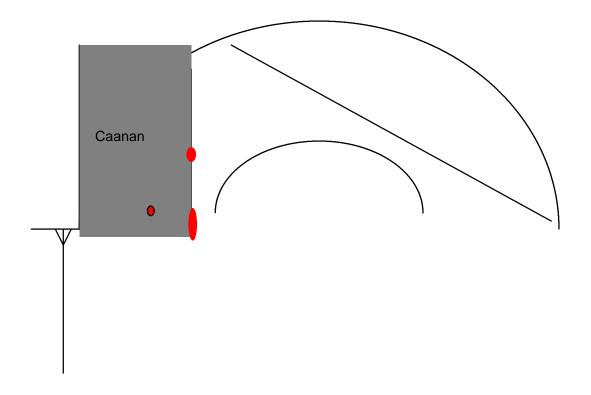
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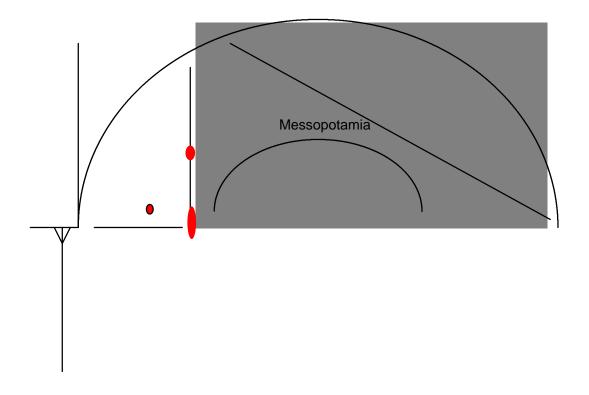
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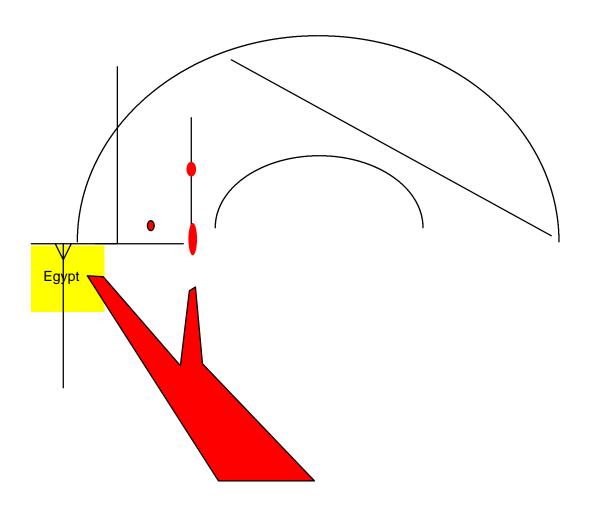
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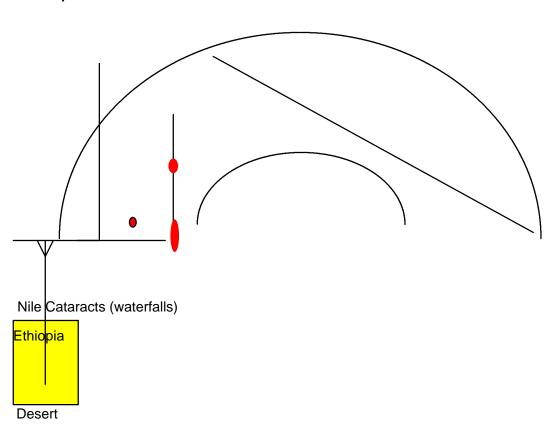
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Egypt



Ethiopia

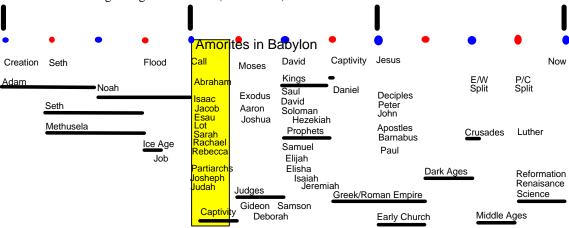


Amorites

A people who occupied part of the Promised Land and often fought Israel. Their history goes back before 2000 B.C.

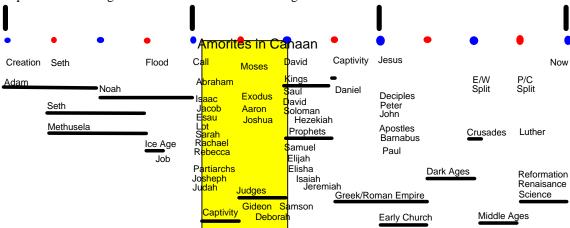
They occupied Babylonia for 400 years -- King Hammurabi

They took control of the administration of Babylonia for approximately 400 years (2000-1595), their most influential king being Hammurabi (1792-1750).



Descended into Caanan and settled in the Hill country

Their descent to Canaan may be traced back to 2100-1800 when their settlement in the hill country helped to set the stage for the revelation of God through Israel.



Mamre the Amorite

Abraham assisted Mamre the Amorite in recovering his land from four powerful kings (Gen. 14), but later the Amorites were a formidable obstacle to the Israelites' conquest and settlement of Canaan.

Hills on both sides of the Jordan

They preferred living in the hills and valleys that flank both sides of the Jordan River.

Victory over Sihon and Og east of the Jordan, where Gad, Ruben, and Manasseh settled

Sihon and Og, two Amorite kings, resisted the Israelites' march to Canaan as they approached east of the Jordan (Nu. 21:21-35); but after the Israelite victory here, Gad, Reuben and half of Manasseh settled in the conquered area. These two early victories over the Amorites foreshadowed continued success against other Amorites to the west and were often remembered in both history (e.g., Deut. 3:8; Josh. 12:2; Judg. 11:19) and poetry (Num. 21:27-30; Ps. 135:10-12; 136:17-22).

Also lived in the hills with Hittites and Jebusites

West of the Jordan, the Amorites lived in the hills along with the Hivites, Hittites, and Jebusites (Num. 13:29; Josh. 11:3):

Amorites sometimes a general term for all inhabitants of Canaan

but specific identification of Amorite cities cannot be certain since the term "Amorite" is used often as a very general name for all the inhabitants of Canaan, as is "Canaanite" (e.g. Gen. 15:16; Josh. 24:15; Judg. 6:10; 1 Kings 21:26).

Such as southern alliance defeated by stones from heaven

Five city-states in south Canaan formed an alliance instigated by the king of Jerusalem (Jebus, Jebusites) and intimidated an ally of Joshua, i.e. Gibeon. These "Amorites," as they are called in the general sense, were defeated by Joshua's army and the Lord's "stones from heaven" (Josh. 10:1-27).

And northern alliance which repelled Israelites

Amorites also were among those in the north who unsuccessfully united to repel the Israelites (Josh. 11:1-15).

And western alliance which hindered tribe of Dan

Later, two other Amorite cities, Aijalon and Shaalbim, hindered the settlement of Dan near the Philistine border (Judg. 1:34-36).

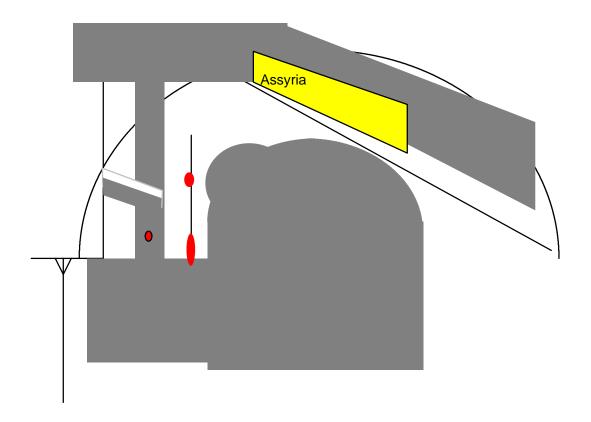
Amorite idolatry

Amorite culture laid at the root of Jerusalem's decadence, according to Ezekiel (Ezek. 16:3,45); and Amorite idolatry tainted the religion of the Northern and Southern Kingdoms (1 Kings 21:26; 2 Kings 21:11). Despite the Amorite resistance and poor influence, they were subjugated as slaves (Judg. 1:35; 1 Kings 9:20,21; 2 Chron. 8:7,8). Their past hindrance is a subject of derision for the prophet Amos (Amos 2:9,10). See also Canaanites; Jebusites; Babylon; Syria; Sihon.

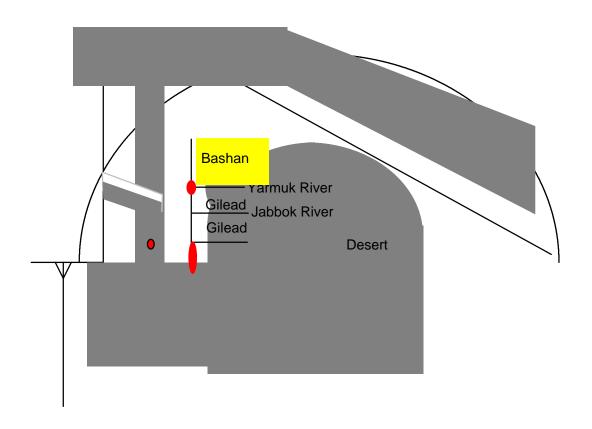
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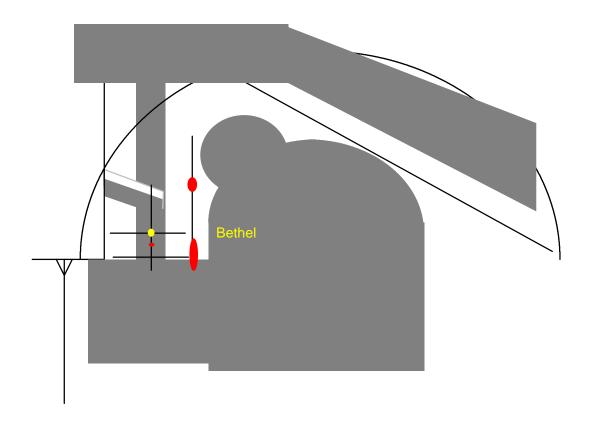
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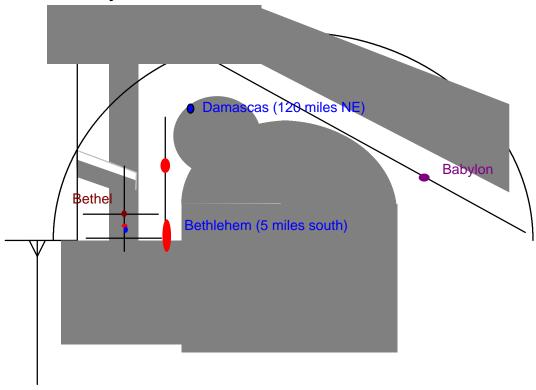
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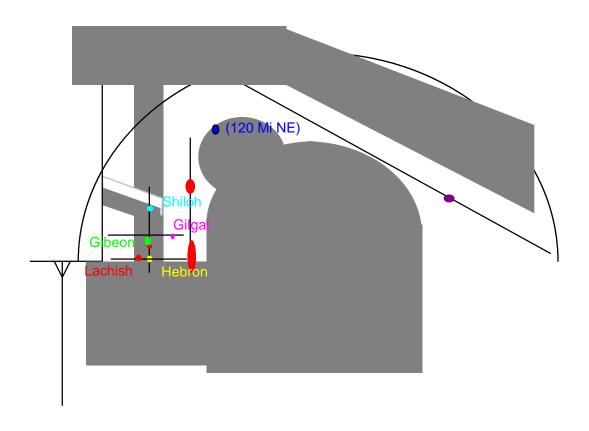
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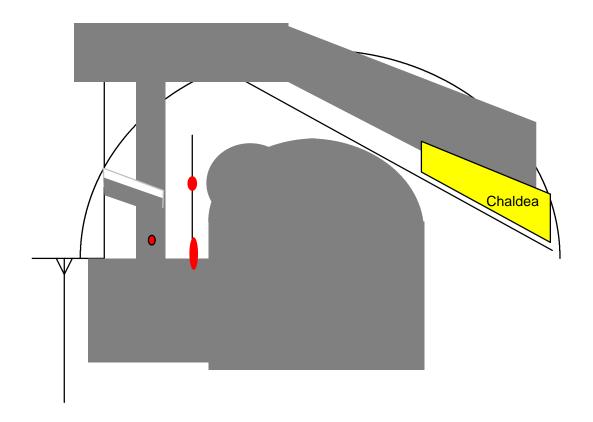
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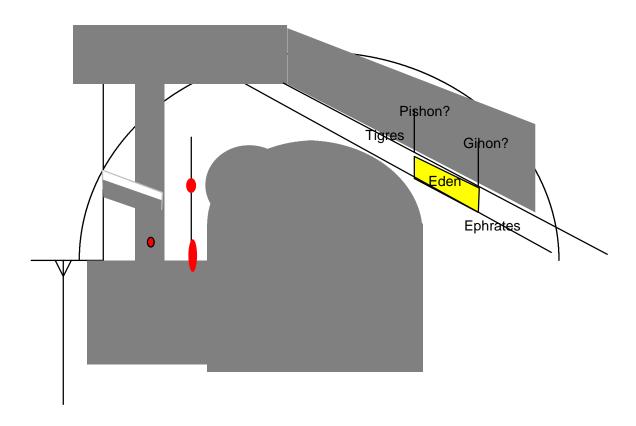
Gibeon, Gilgal, Hebron, Lachish, & Shiloh.



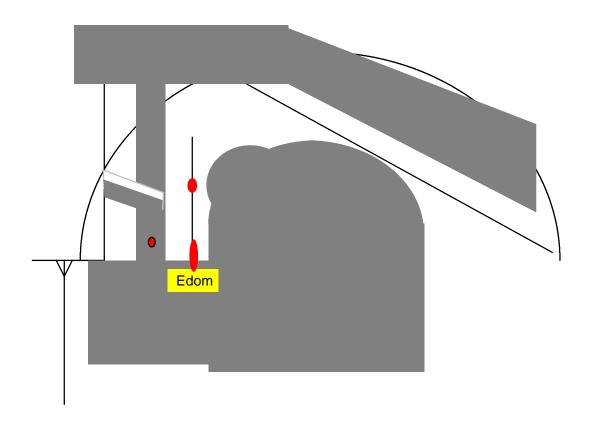
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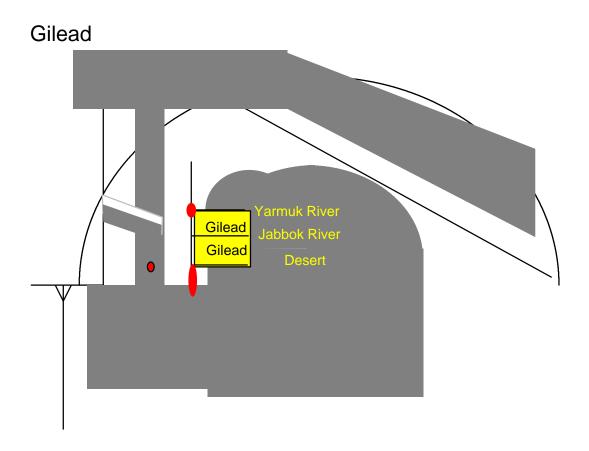


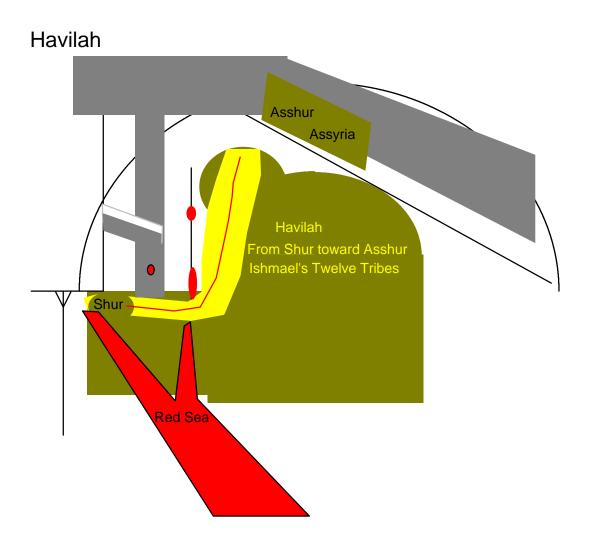
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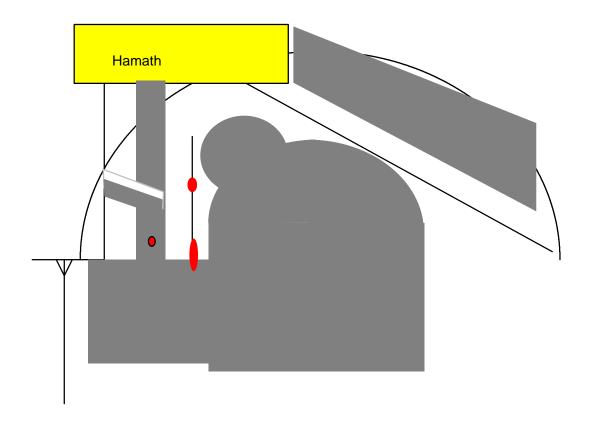
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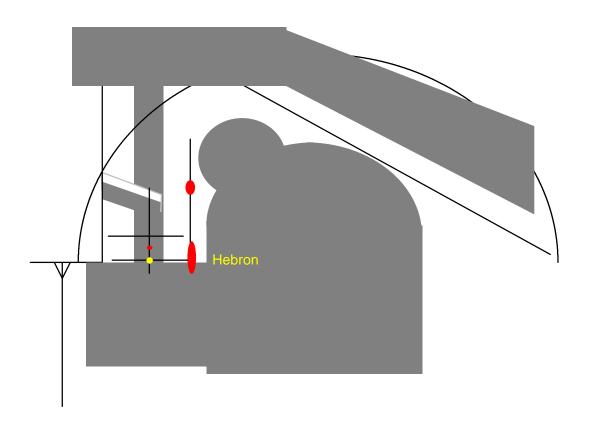




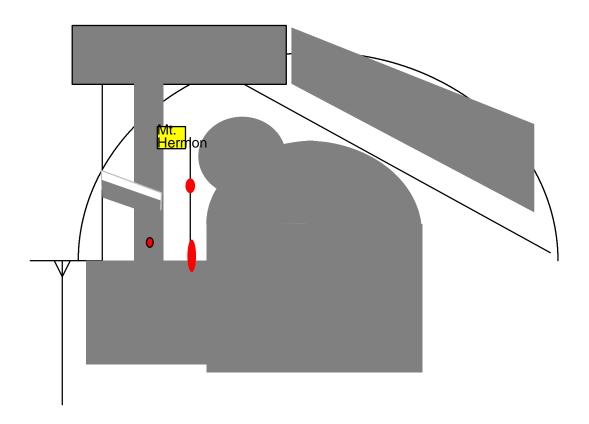
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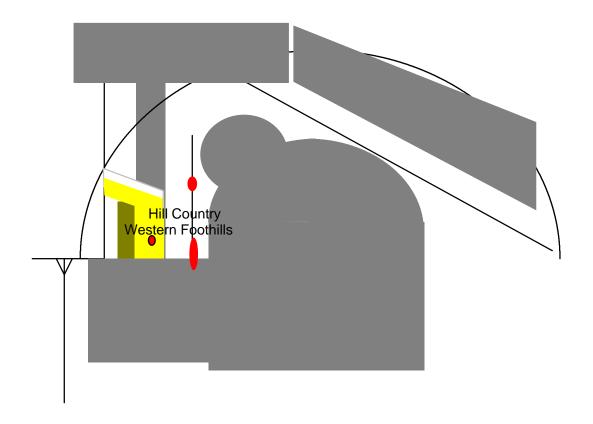
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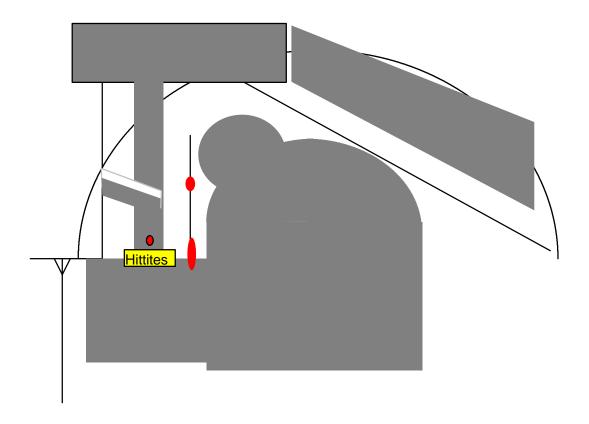
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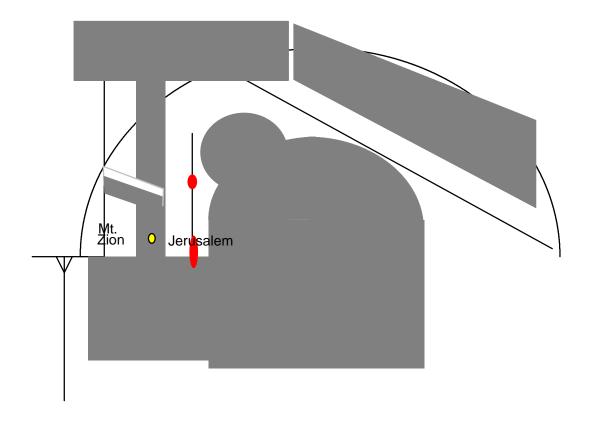
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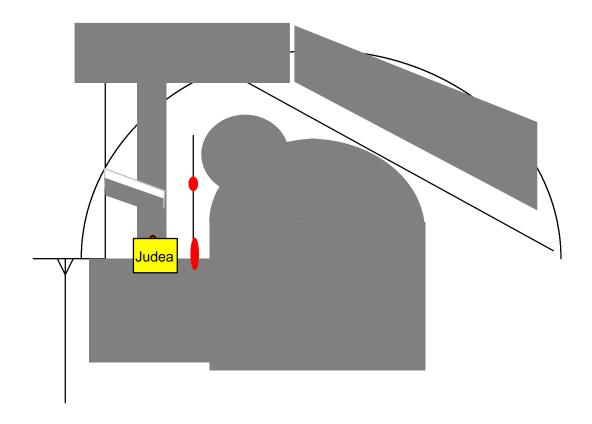
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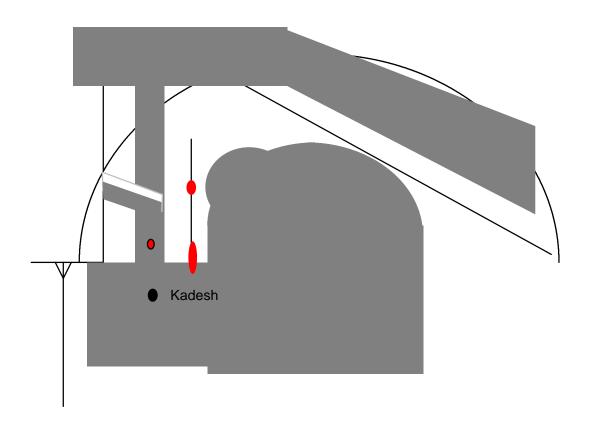
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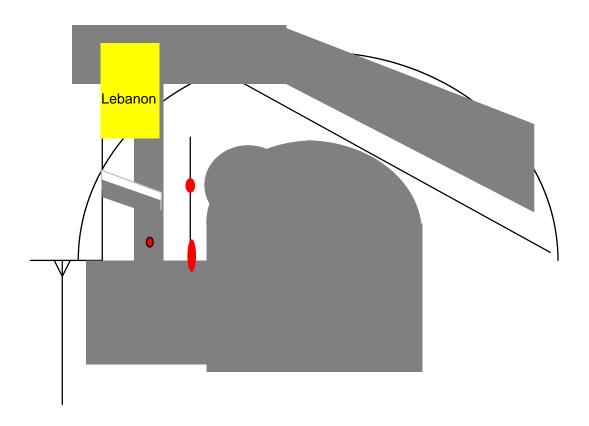
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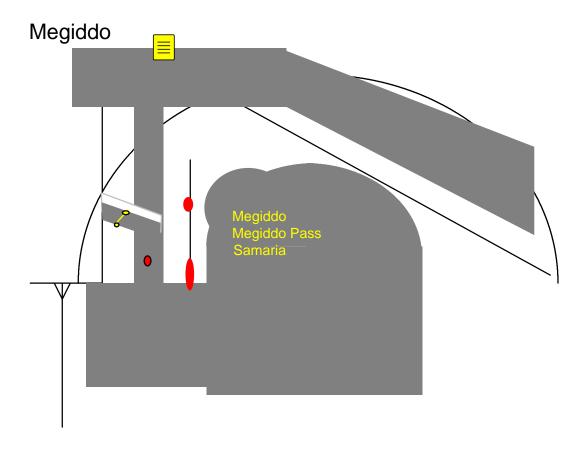


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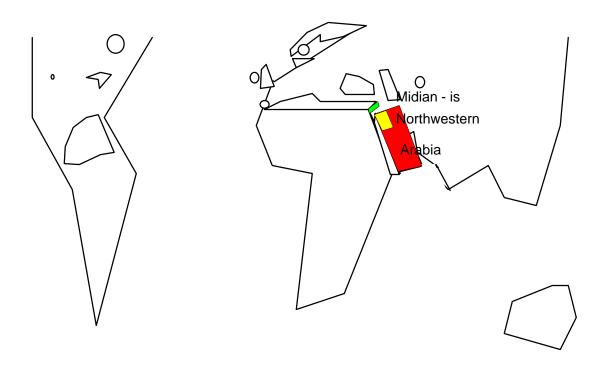


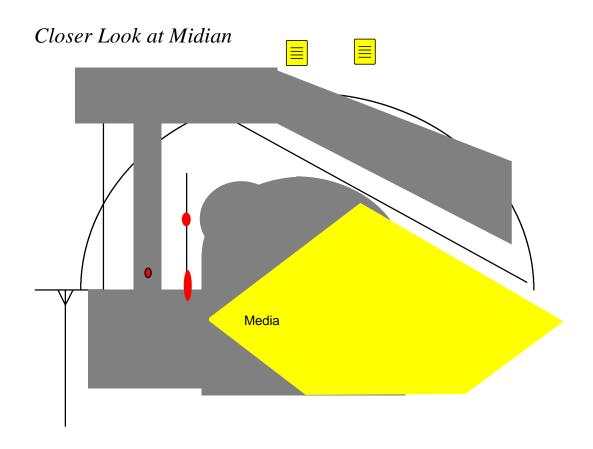
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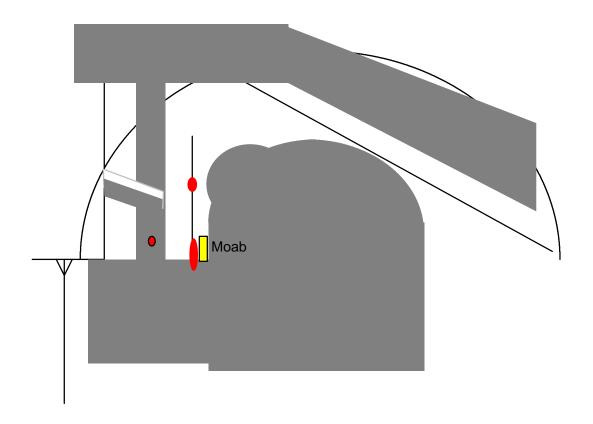


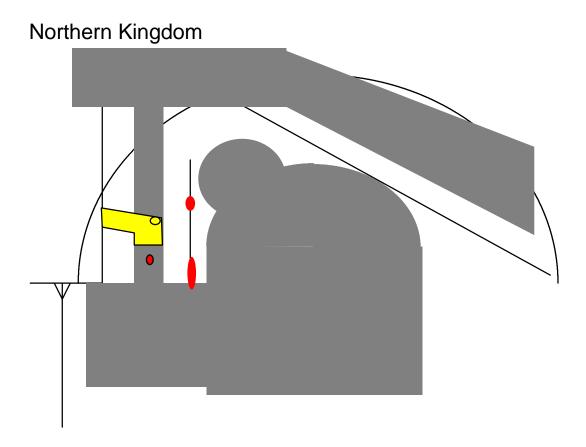
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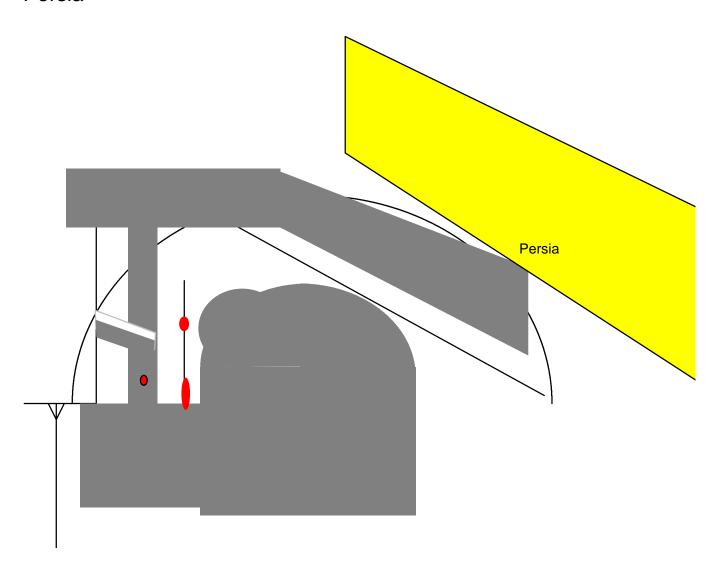


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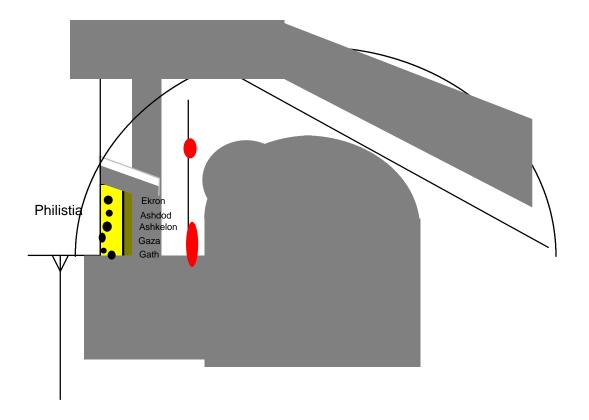


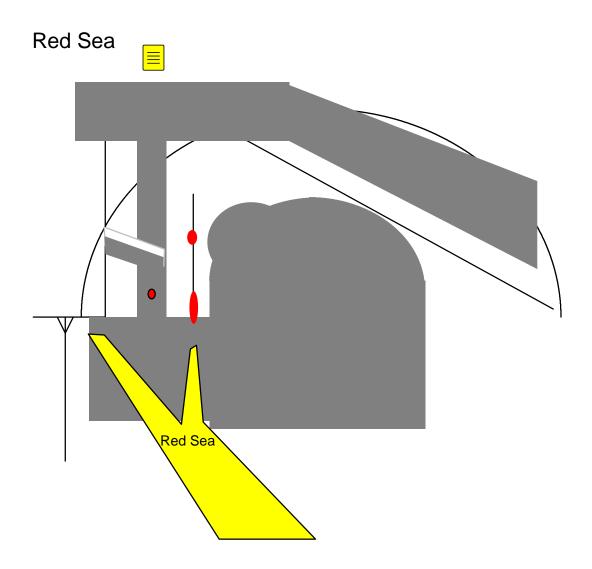


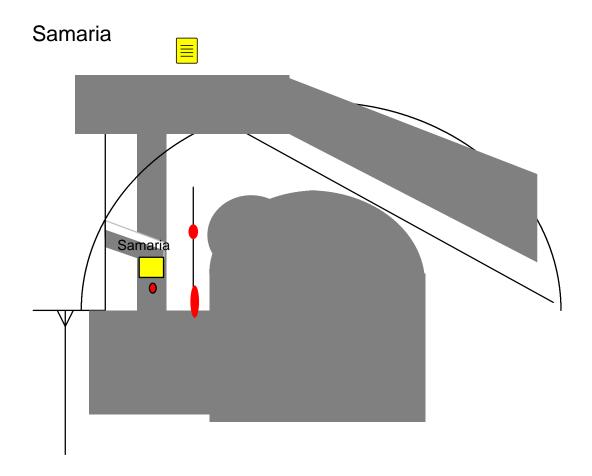
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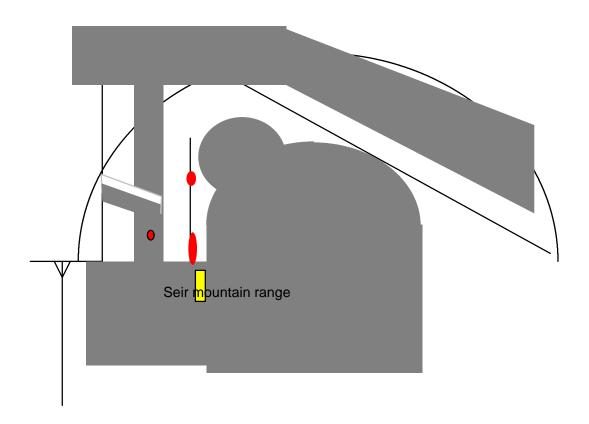
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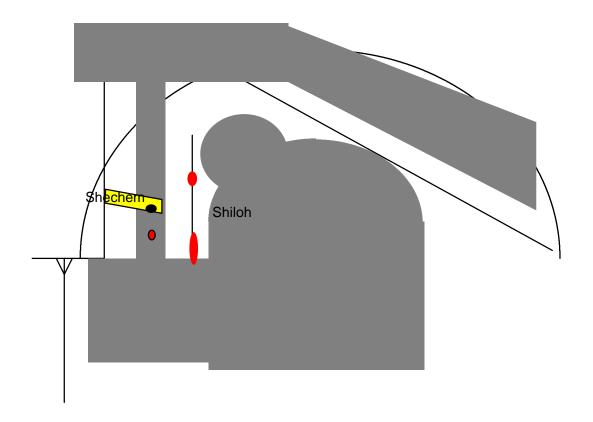




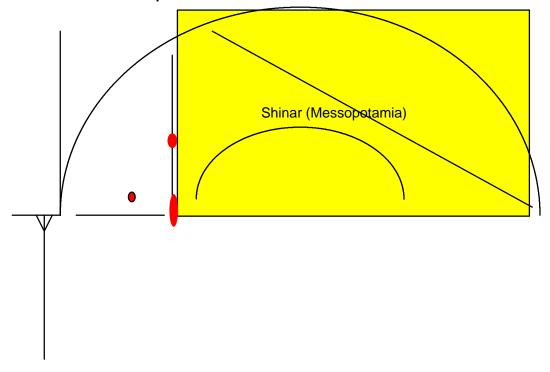
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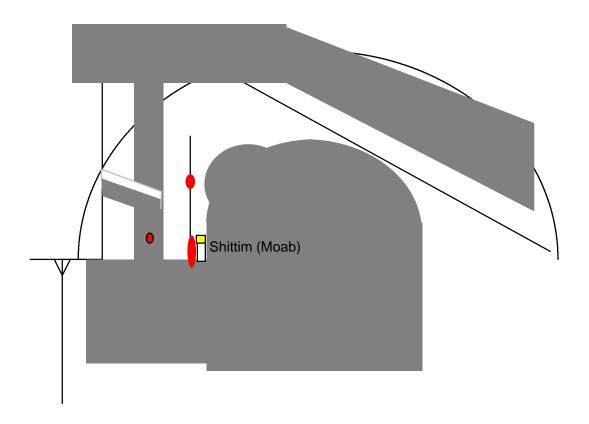
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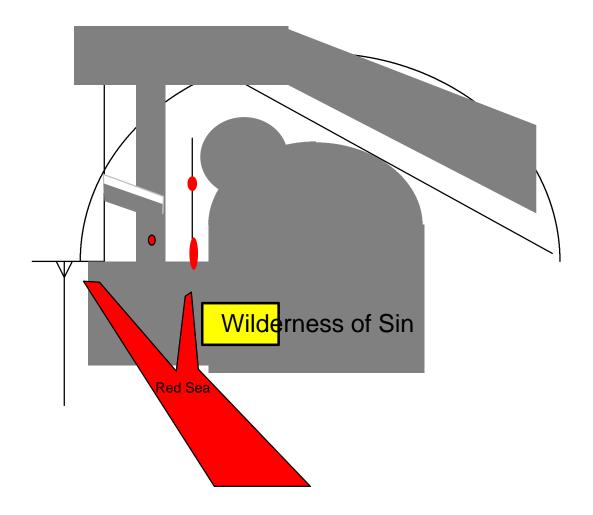
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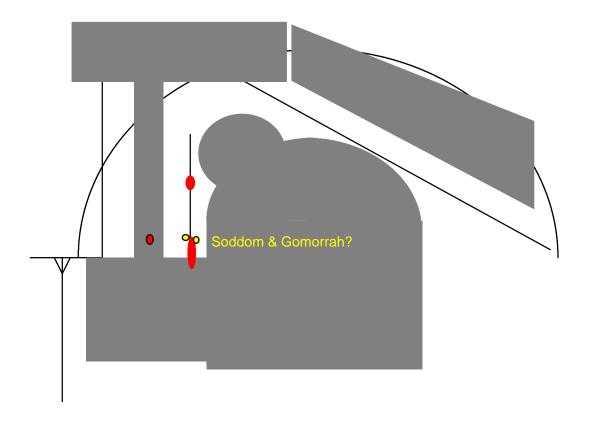
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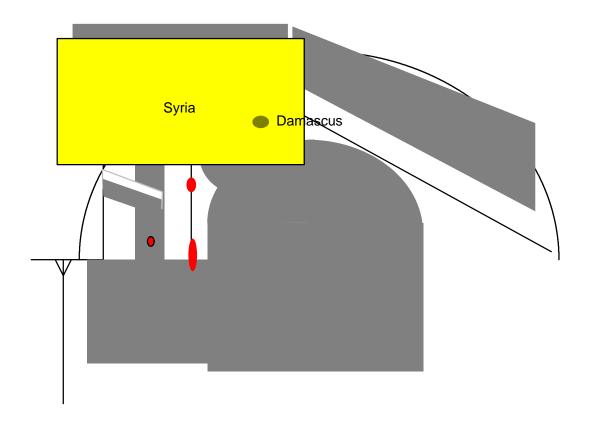
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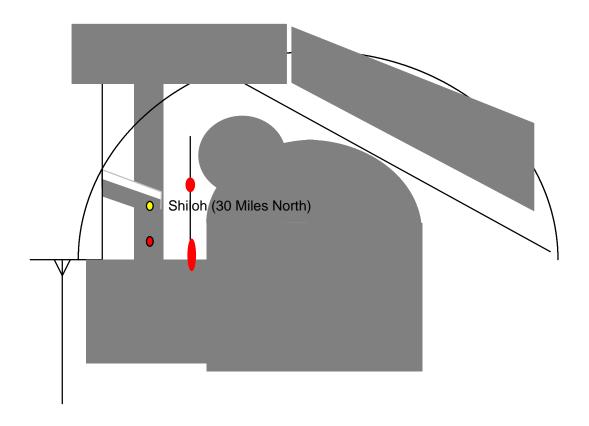
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