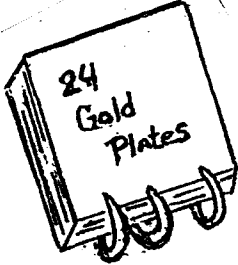
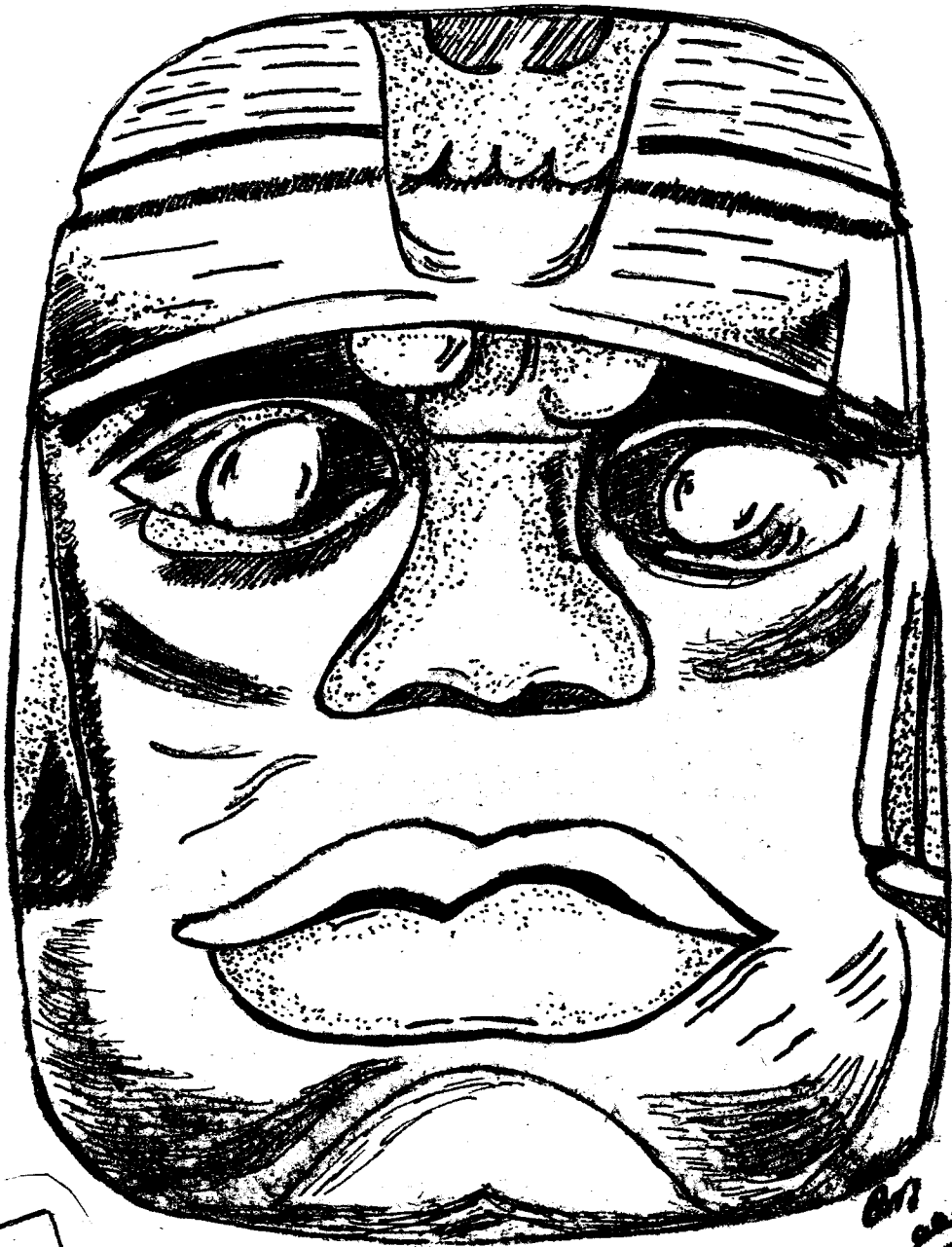


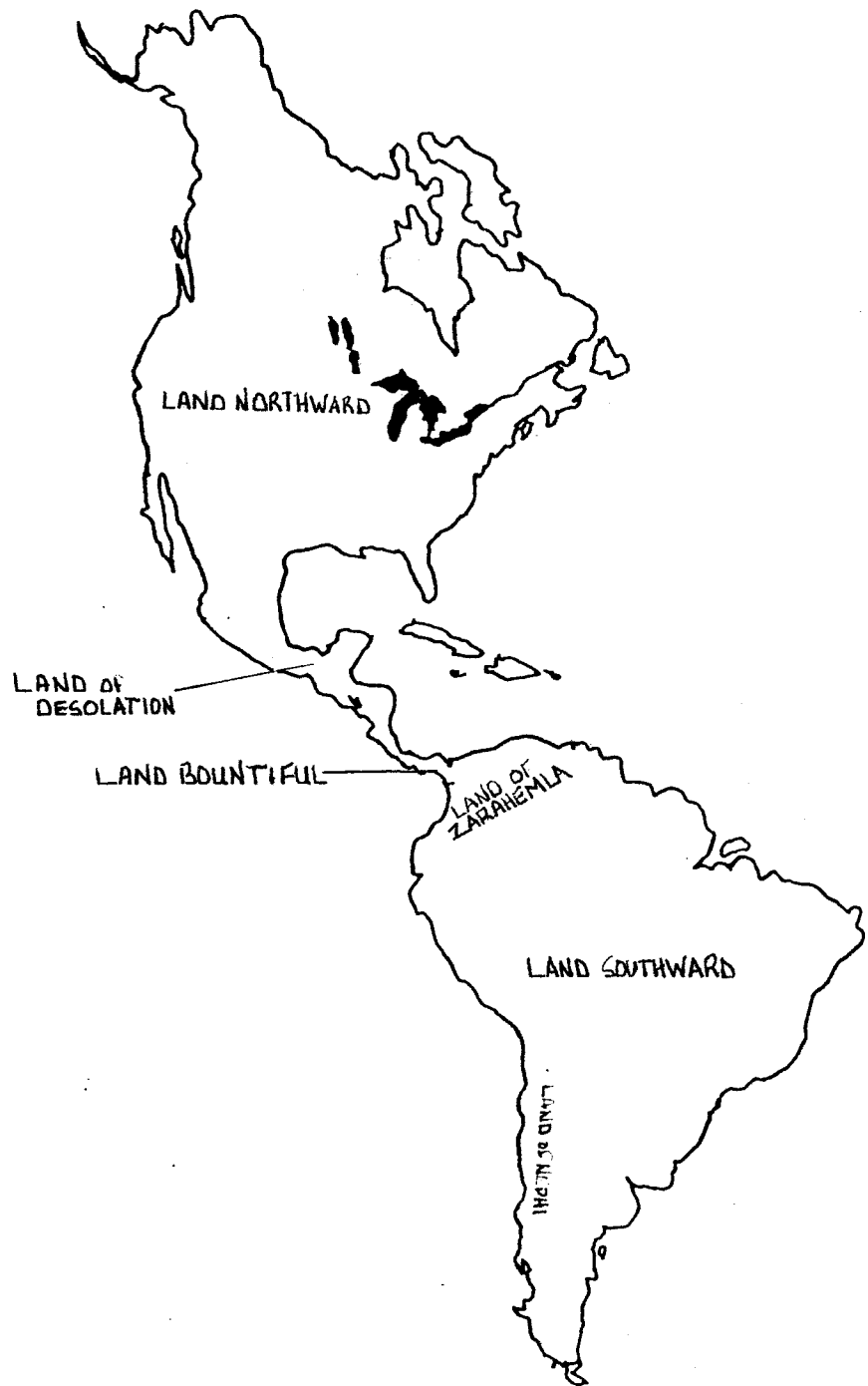
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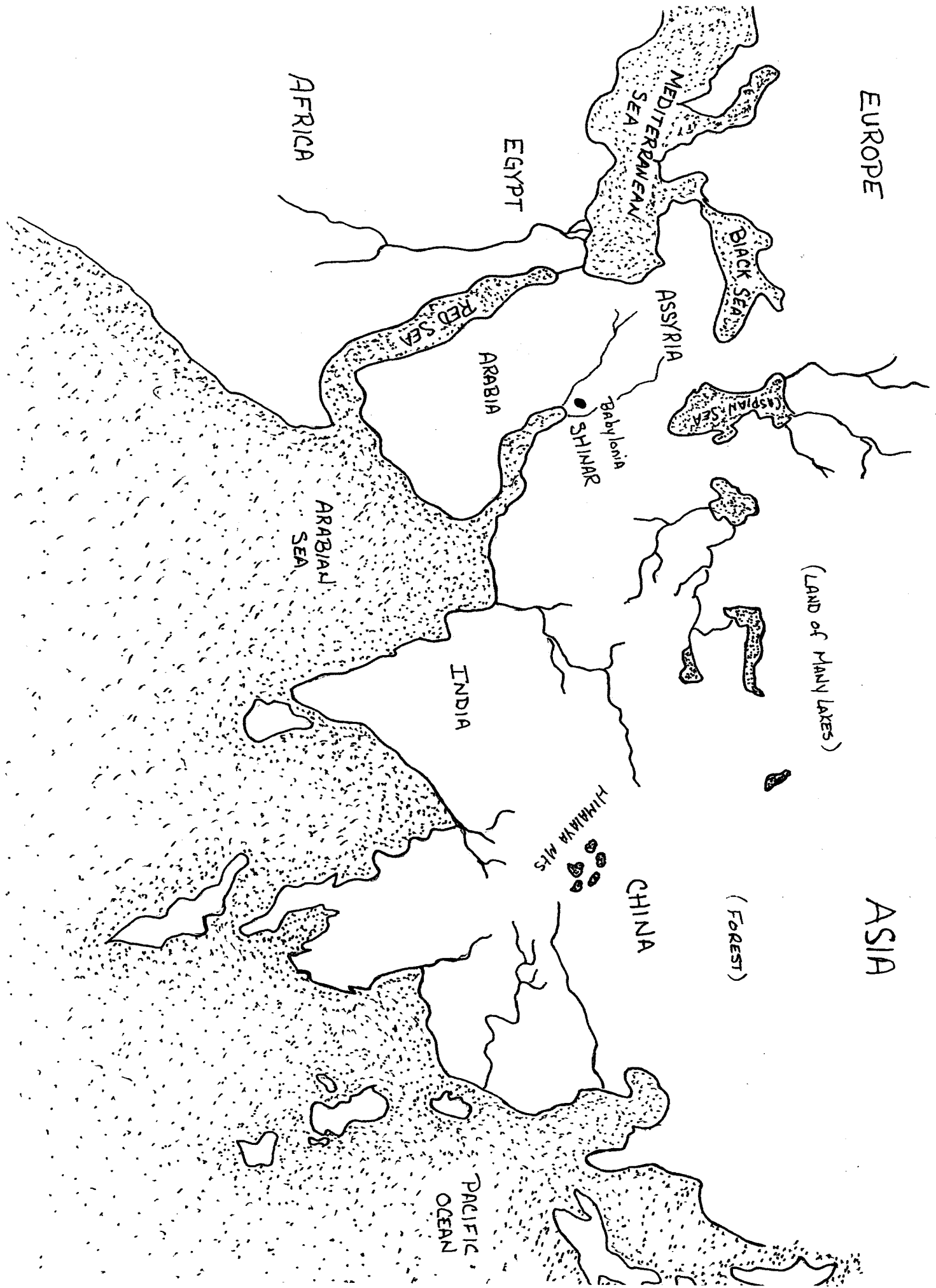
# Book of Mormon Geography Map

from Committee on Archaeology 1894



UNITED STATES

MAP 2



EUROPE

ASIA

AFRICA

MEDITERRANEAN SEA

BLACK SEA

ASSYRIA

CASPIAN SEA

EGYPT

RED SEA

ARABIA

Babylonia  
SINAR

ARABIAN SEA

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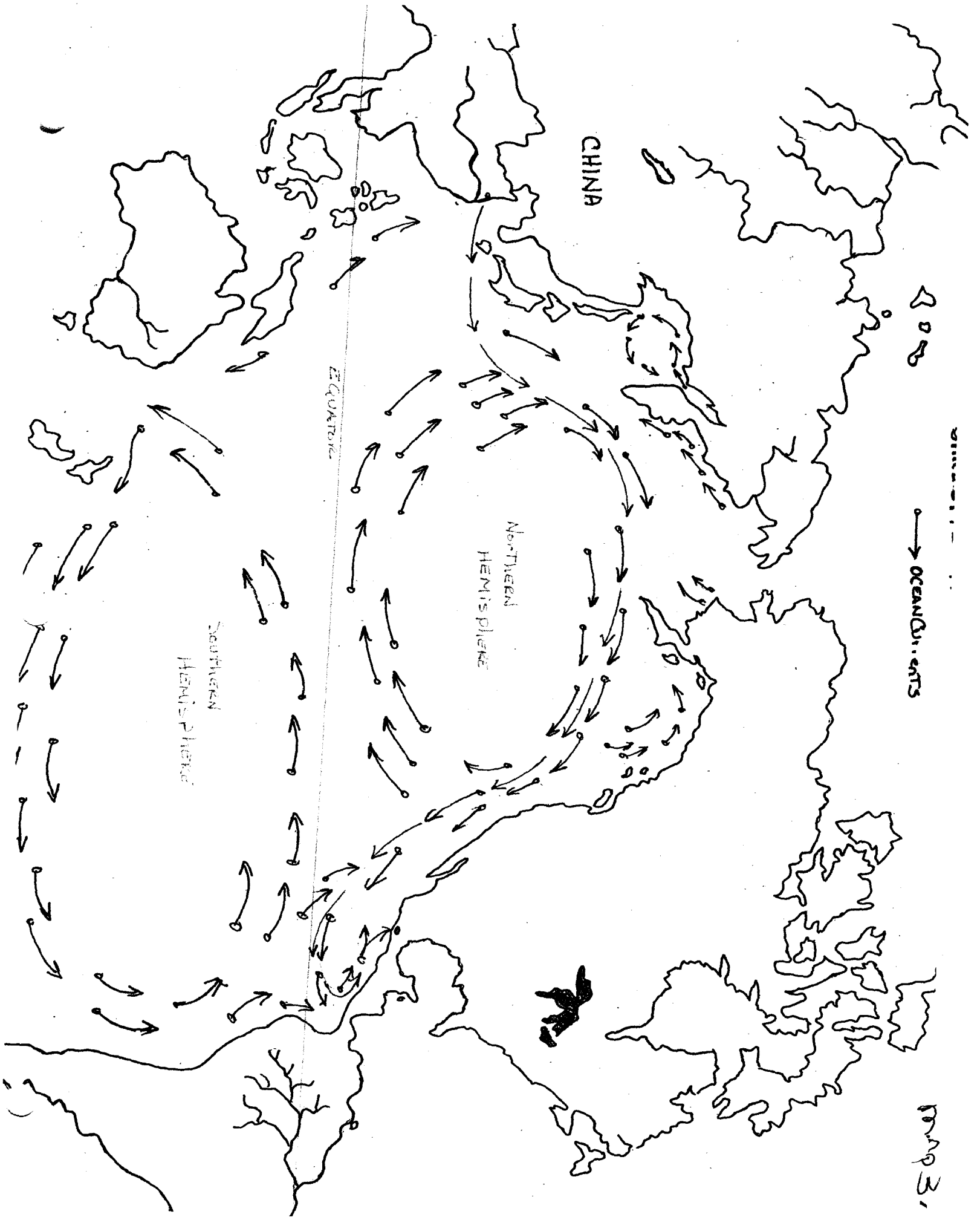
(LAND OF MANY LAKES)

HIMALAYA MTS

CHINA

(FOREST)

PACIFIC OCEAN



# Chapter 1

## VRS. 1

Question; Who was Moroni?

Answer;

Wds of Mm 1:1-3 Mormon's Son, Custodian of Records

Mm 3:2,8 Mormon's Son, Custodian of records. LIVED APPL. 400 AD

Mi 8:1 A "Called" Minister - EXAMPLE FOR PICKING OUR ministry

Mm 3:14 A LEADER OF PEOPLE

Mi 10:1-31 wrote Note of Farewell to Lamanite brothers. GAVE  
marking a promise about understanding, Bofol, Keen insight to the Holy Spirit

Mm 3:10-13 LAST NEPHITE

Mm 4:1-27,98-100 LAST Prophet, Complete Record and Hid UP  
"long winded"

**special note;** vrs 6 Says he's out of PLATES  
vrs 16 Claims Reminders  
vrs 17 MUST HAVE FOUND MORE PLATES - STILL GOING

**further notes;**

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**Question;** What ancient inhabitants?

**Answer;** THE PEOPLE RECORDED ABOUT IN ETHER - "JAREDITES"

Ether 1:7 ARRIVED SHORTLY AFTER - TIME OF TOWER OF BABEL

Gen 11:4,8 OCCURRED BETWEEN TIME OF NOAH & ABRAHAM  
SCATTERED THROUGH ALL THE EARTH

**Question;** Is there destruction common knowledge?

**Answer;** PAST KNOWN HISTORY

Mos 5:62 LAND COVERED WITH BONE

\* Mi 10:1 MORONI WRITES 421 AD

\* Mos 5:62 BONES FOUND 121 BC - 500 YRS EARLIER

**Question;** Is it in God's character to destroy entire populations? Critics of BofM may challenge you on this point.

**Answer;** YES

Gen 19:24,25

LOT, SODOM & GOMORRAH

Gen 6:11-13, 7:23

NOAH'S TIME

Amos 4:10-12

JAREDITES

Jonah 1:2, 3:1-4

CITY OF NINEVEH - THE THREATENED - NOT DESTROYED

Deut 20:13-20

1Sam 15:1-3

DESTROYED EVERY ONE AND THING

Further Notes:

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Question: Where is the north country?

Answer: The terms "Northward" and "Southward" are always used in reference to lands on opposite sides of the "Narrow Land Connection"

supporting scriptures: (\*chart on map A1)

- \*Mn 1:61 LAND North - NARROW PASS - Led to Land South
- \*Mn 1:69 LAND Desolation "North" of NARROW PASS - Led South
- \*Alma 24:10 NARROW PASS led into land Northward from Land Bountiful
- \*Alma 13:68-78 NARROW STRIP of wilderness - Boundaries contains BOUNTIFUL - Surrounded BY WATER
- \*Alma 22:35 SEA on EAST & WEST
- \*Omni 1:23 Through Wilderness, down to the land of Zarahemla HE1 2:129  
Down in Eilat
- Hel 2:3-9 LAND Northward \* ALEXANDER THE GREAT CLAIMED to Conquer all The world... HE DID - ALL CIVILIZATION KNOWN TO THAT PEOPLE

- Common opinions;
1. N. AMERICA to N.Y. (north country),  
Panama (narrow neck),  
S. America to Peru (land southward)
  2. Area of Yucatan Peninsula
  3. Haven't the slightest idea

What facts do we have to determine where this is?

Alma 13:77 Surrounded by water - on All sides

Alma 22:35 SEA on EAST & WEST

\* Hel 2:3-9 COVERED THE FACE of WHOLE EARTH (SMALL LAND MASS) \*

3Ne 2:1-32, 71-73 within short time - gathered from North

AND South to the South w/all belongings and fortified  
Cities for Attack. - VERY TRANSCIENT in the AREA

FLED TO FAR NORTH PLACES, During Night-time, to Avoid detection.

EDUCATED GUESS

OTHER FACTS: Refer to APPENDIX A / \*THERE IS ONLY ONE PLACE IN

THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE WHERE OCEANS CAN BE LOCATED on all four sides - MESO AMERICA

Transfer information to - MAP 1



VRS. 2

**Question;** What Twenty-four plates?

**Answer;**

Ether 6:107-108 THE RECORD RECORDED BY ETHER OF JARADITE PEOPLE.  
Lord told to hide it.

**Question;** Who was Limhi?

**Answer;**

Mos 9:92 A JUST AND RIGHTEOUS MAN

Mos 7:1

Mos 9:91 GRANDSON OF ZENIFF" who left Zarahemla

**Q. who was Zeniff?**

**A. Mos 6:1-5** Educated Young NEPHITE who returned to land of Nephi to drive  
" Mos 5:12, 17, 32-34, off Lamanites from their first inheritance. Led second band  
53, 54. to Nephi to re-inhabit it. Became King of Lehi-Nephi and Shiloh.  
Mos 6:1-58  
Mos 7:1, 11:91

Mos 5:12

Mos 9:103, 104, 140

Alma 3:1-5

King of Nephites who remained after his father, Noah,  
had caused Alma to leave with a group of converts  
while Noah and his priests fled into  
the wilderness fleeing enemies.

**Q. Who was Noah?**

**A. Mos 7:1**

Zeniff's Son - A Non-Righteous man

Mos 11:1-8

Drove Alma & his people into the wilderness

& WAS BURNED TO DEATH orders of Noah

Mos 7:9, 10

The leader who Prophet Abinadi came to preach repentance to.

Mos 9:77-84

Fled into wilderness, Ruthlessly abandoned women & children

Mos 9:96

was burned to death as prophesied

(see 9:24-27 for prophecy)

**Further notes**

**Question:** How was it they came to find the plates?

**Answer:**

Mos 9:162-169

\* Mos 5:60, 61 (Ammon tells story) Group left land of Nephi

Searching for Land of Zarahemla to locate  
brethren.

**Q. Why were they looking for Zarahemla?**

**A. Mos 9:164-165** Locate their Brethren to deliver them  
Mos 5:60, 61 out of bondage.

**Q. Who went?**

**A. Mos 5:60** Forty-three of King Limhi's People

**Q. What was their mission?**

**A. Mos 5:60** Find the Land of Zarahemla

**Q. What happened?**

**A. Mos 5:61** Lost in the Wilderness

**Q. What did they find?**

**A. Mos 5:62-67** Found Land covered with Bones  
Breast Plates, Swords, 24 Golden Plates

**Q. How long did it take?**

**A. Mos 5:61** Many Days

**Any conclusions to be drawn?** Ammon just arrived - told story.

Sent 12 men to find Zarahemla, knew capt. had to go as  
well as having been well traveled in the area. Traveled Many  
Days - Over-shot or missed before returning, but could not have  
been a trip from S. America through Central to N. America before returning.  
much later, return of plates

**Further notes**

**Question;** What happened with plates after they found?

**Answer;**

Mos 9:170 Looked for someone who could translate plates

Mos 5:66-86 Looking for someone to translate plates brought back to King Limhi. Ammon tells him of a man that has a "Gift from God" that would be able to do it. "A SEER"

Mos 12:14-17 Mosiah (king) translated and recorded the account from plates

**Q. How was it done?**

**A. Mos 12:18-21** "The Gift from God" - The "interpreters" (vs 13:2)

Being two stones fastened into the ribs of a bow.

Mos 5:72-83 Interpreters prepared for the purpose of unfolding mysteries to the children of men.

**Special Notes;** Joseph Smith used interpreters to translate Book of Mormon. - Described as 'Two Stones in Silver Bow, These stones fastened into a Breastplate constituted what is called the Urim and Thummim. - These who possess would be a SEER' (Sible Times) Ex 28:30 / Per Interpreters Dictionary of Bible.

Also SEE Pg 12 Address to All Believers in Christ

Appearance; ETH 1:87-89 2000 BC

d- Ex 28:30

LEV 8:8 1948

Am 8:7-8 2376

d Mos 5:73-75 (1218C)

3ph Smith 1829 AD

The exact meaning of words "Urim & Thummim" is unknown. Their shape, size, symbols engraved on them is also unknown. Came about at the time Moses received instruction from the Lord concerning religious life. used/worn by the Priest - Carried in a small pocket on the Breast Plate

**Q. How Get Them?** - ETH. 1:93 Lord Provides

**Question;** Why is it called the book of Ether?

**Answer;**

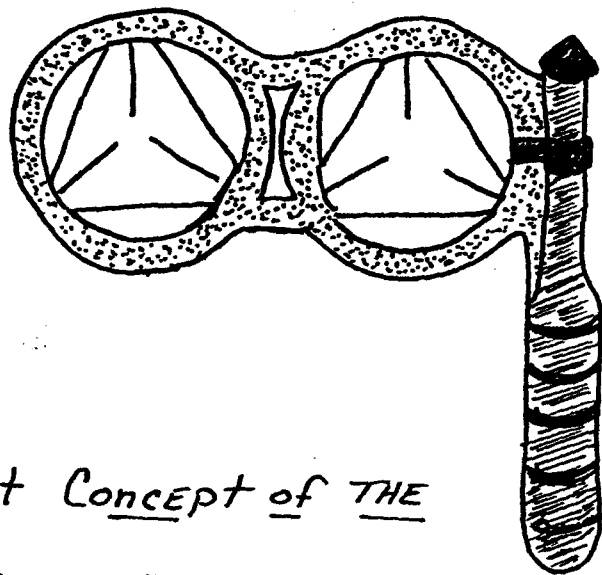
Ether 1:6 Man who wrote the Record

**Question;** Who was Ether?

**Answer;**

Ether 5:1,2,5 Prophet of the Lord

Ether 6:107-108 Write record of the Jaredite people.



Artist Concept of THE  
URIM and THUMMIN

**VRS. 3-4**

**CREATION OF THE WORLD:** GENESIS 1

**ADAM:** GENESIS 2:7

**GREAT TOWER:** GENESIS 11:1-9

**RECORD HAD AMONG THE JEWS:** THE "TORAH" or 5 BOOKS  
OF MOSES - 1ST BOOK KNOWN TO US AS GENESIS.

NOTE: MUST HAVE BEEN A WRITTEN RECORD OF EVENTS  
TIME TO MOSES. HE THEN COMPILED THIS RECORD WITH HIS ACCOUNTS.

**VRS. 5** END OF MORONI'S 1<sup>ST</sup> EDITORIAL COMMENT  
HE WILL BEGIN THE STORY AT TIME OF TOWER.

**VRS. 6**

**SPECIAL NOTE:** LONGEST VERSE IN THE BOOK OF MORMON

**Question:** Why is it significant?

**Answer:** LINAGE SHOWS ETHER BEING A  
DIRECT DESCENDANT OF JARED.

**Question:** What should we know about these people?

**Answer:** WE CAN FIND A BARRAGE OF PERSONALITIES  
AMONG THE SAME LINAGE. YOUR FAMILY DOES NOT  
MAKE YOU RIGHTEOUS OR WICKED. - SEE 4:8-10

**THE GENERATIONS OF THE JAREDITES**  
from Ether to Jared

- #30) ETHER (Eth 4:115, 5:1-5, 6:2-109) Last Jaredite recorder. Born in captivity. He prophesied to the people about their wickedness. Observed the final battle of the Jaredite nation, left his cave and finished recording his record, hid it up so the people of Limhi would find it many years later.
- #29) CORIANTOR (Eth 4:110-115) Lived in captivity all his life. A leader of robbers ruled in his stead, during which time the Jaredites grew exceedingly wicked.
- #28) MORON (Eth 4:105-110) Reigned in wickedness. Allowed secret combinations to exist which eventually came to take away 1/2 of his kingdom. A descendant of the brother of Jared came and overthrew him and held him in captivity for the remainder of his life.
- #27) ETHEM (Eth 4:102-106) An evil ruler, whom which many came and preached repentance to, but he refused to change his ways.
- #26) AHAH (Eth 4:100-102) Reigned as king for a few years, using his power to commit sin resulting in great bloodshed.
- #25) SETH (Eth 4:99) Held in captivity all his life.
- #24) SHIBLON (Eth 4:93-99) He overthrew his brother Shiblom, who had succeeded his father to the throne. He ordered the prophets slain. Wickedness grew until the prophecies of the martyred prophets came true. The people repented and killed Shiblom and Shiblom.
- #23) COM (Eth 4:85-92) Lived in captivity, gained and ruled over 1/2 of the kingdom for 42 yrs., went to battle and gained the remainder of the kingdom. During his reign many prophets came forth calling for repentance.
- #22) CORIANTUM (Eth 4:85-87) Lived in captivity.
- #21) AMNIGADDAH (Eth 4:85) Lived in captivity all his life.
- #20) AARON (Eth 4:85) Lived in captivity all his life with his father and son.
- #19) HETH (Eth 4:82-85) Lived in captivity all his life.

- #18) HEARTHOM (Eth 4:80-84) Reigned as king for 24 yrs. before his kingdom was taken away. He remained in captivity the rest of his days.
- #17) LIB (Eth 4:64-80) People prospered and built cities during his reign. His righteousness led to the destruction of the poisonous serpents that had plagued the people and animals for generations.
- #16) KISH (Eth 4:63-64) Reigned justly until he died.
- #15) CORUM or "COROM" (Eth 4:62-63) Anointed king by his father and reigned in righteousness.
- #14) LEVI (Eth 4:59-62) Began his life in captivity. After 42 years he regained his kingdom and reigned in righteousness.
- #13) KIM (Eth 4:57-59) Ruled righteously resulting in being overthrown by his brother. He was then held in captivity for the remainder of his life.
- #12) MORANTON (Eth 4:52-57) His father Riplakish had been driven out because of wickedness. Moranton gathered an army and went to re-establish himself among his people. He succeeded and was made king. The people prospered under his reign. He reigned justly with the people, but for himself, he continued in many whoredoms, and was cut off from God.
- #11) RIPLAKISH (Eth 4:48-51) A wicked ruler, took for himself many wives and concubines. He supported himself by exerting heavy taxes on the people. Those who would not pay he would throw into prison. Those who would not work he would put to death. He reigned for 42 years before the people rebelled and killed.
- #10) SHEZ (Eth 4:43-47) Built a righteous kingdom, rebuilding a broken down kingdom caused by a famine during the reign of his father, Heth. He lived until old age.
- #9) HETH (Eth 4:30) Took on secret combinations and overthrew his father Com and killed him. He refused to listen to the prophets cry to repent and their prophecy of a great famine, which came to pass during his reign. Also, during his reign, the Lord caused poisonous serpents to afflict the land. Heth died in the famine.
- #8) COM (Eth 4:29-31) During his 49 year reign, secret societies began to flourish. His son Heth joined the societies and dethroned and killed him, then reigned in his stead.

- #7) CORIANIUM (Eth 4:23-29) Reigned as king in peace and righteousness. Built many cities during prosperous times.
- #6) EMER (Eth 4:15-23) A curse was taken off the land during his reign and the house of Emer began to prosper. After 62 years they became exceedingly strong and rich in fruit, grain, silk, linen, gold, silver, precious things as well as live stock; Yes Emer had curelomes and comoms. He executed judgement in righteousness all his days.
- #5) OMER (Eth 3:67-83) Reigned in righteously until his son Jared rebelled against him and took him into captivity. Many years latter his other son battled with Jared and returned the kingdom to Omer. Jared tried to kill Omer after that, however, the Lord warned him of the plot and he was able to flee.
- #4) Shule (Eth 3:44-67) He had freed his father from captivity and returned his kingdom to him until his death. Shule then reigned in righteousness and prosperity until he was too old and turned the kingdom over to Omer, his son.
- #3) KIB (Eth 3:39-46) The kingdom was taken from him by his son Corihor, though flattery and battle. He was kept in captivity until another son, Shule, fought Corihor and regained the kingdom for Kib.
- #2) ORIHAN (Eth 3:16-38) A humble man that reigned after he had been elected as a last resort, since many others declined the responsibility.
- #1) JARED & THE BROTHER OF JARED (Eth 1:7) Left Sinar about 2200 BC at the time of the tower of Babel.



**VRS. 7**

**Question;** In chronological order of the history of modern man, when did this take place?

**Answer;** Genesis 6 through 9 *occurred after the*  
*Time of the Flood. Survived by Noah.*  
*APPX 200 YEARS AFTER THE FLOOD*

**Question;** Who was there?

**Answer;** Gen 10:1,32 *THE Sons And Grandchildren*  
*of Noah.*

**Special notes;** Gen 10:5,20,31,& 32  
Gen 11:10

*Apparently this GENEALOGY and record of Settlements according to*  
*different Tongues was written after the dispersment from the*  
*Tower. Chapt 11, vrs 1-9 telling about that dispersment is*  
*interjected, in brief, to explain vrs 31 & 32 of Chapt 10,*  
*Then Picks up in vrs 10, Chapt 11 where it left off*  
*with Shem.*

*Some Scholars believe Shem (a righteous Son)(Gen 9:26)*  
*kept this Record. He lived 502 yrs after*  
*The Flood.*

**Question;** Where is this account of the Tower?

**Answer;** Genesis 11:1-9

**Question;** What are the facts? Why did the wrath of the Lord come upon the people?

**Answer;** Refer to Appendix B

1611, King JAMES VERSION of The Bible, official Translation for Col C  
TORAH - THE FIVE BOOKS of MOSES, Translation of Scriptures  
According to the Traditional Hebrew TEXT.

**Special notes of account;**

**VRS 1.**

**"EARTH" come from the Hebrew word, "ERETZ", the meaning of which can be read either as EARTH OR LAND.**

Assuming the Flood left only one group alive, EVERYONE was settled in the same area (land). Evidence that Chapt 10 was after Chapt 11. Some believe that different floods occurred at the same time around the world, therefore, different survivors. The term "Land" would still maintain the validity of this particular account.

**VRS 2.**

**From the east to Shinar?**

**REFER TO MAP 2**

Gen 8:4 ARK Rested on the Mountains of ARARAT (Plural). Mount Ararat Sit North of Shinar, However, ARARAT Chain of Mountains Run Southward.

Shinar (The City) Lies South near the head of the Gulf, However, The Land or Plain of Shinar reaches Northward to Assyria Between the Euphrates and the Tigris Rivers.

**What was Shinar like?**

**REFER TO APPENDIX B1**

A well developed, educated and Cultural Society.

VRS. 3

**"GO TO" = Hebrew word "YAHAB"**

meaning: NOT A WORD FOR WORD TRANSLATION, TO A HEBREW  
SPEAKING PERSON "YAHAB" MEANS A PRONOUNCEMENT  
OF A DECISION - OR RATHER, "WE'VE DECIDED"

**"LET US MAKE BRICK, AND BURN THEM THOROUGHLY"**

Why? Per Torah, To make them hard. USE INSTEAD of Stone  
(unavailable in that amount) Common for Egyptians &  
Adaptions to sandy bricks. To make them stronger, for  
a large project, The Furnace treated bricks were used.  
- THIS FACT WAS IMPORTANT ENOUGH, AND UNCOMMON  
PROCEDURE THAT THE WRITER DRAWS SPECIAL  
ATTENTION TO THIS FACT.

**"SLIME" (KJV) "BITUMEN" (TORAH) THEY HAD FOR MORTAR"**

Bitumen (Per-Websters), Semi-solid materials obtained as asphaltic  
residue in the distillation of Coal TAR, Wood TAR, Petroleum,  
ect. or occurring as natural asphalt.

Shinar located in Land now known as IRAQ - Petroleum Rich

SPECIAL NOTE: Rockefeller, when reading the bible alerted  
on this use of Slime "Bitumen". He knew where there  
WAS TAR, There was Petroleum or oil. Went to  
Area, drilled and became one of the wealthiest  
men in the world. (1 Billion dollars) (EARLY 1900's)  
OWNED, STANDARD OIL Co.

**VRS. 4**

**"GO TO" - "YAHAB"** Pronouncement of their decision

**"MAY REACH"** *italicized; NOT in original text*

*TORAH STATES - "With its top in the sky"  
or A Tall Building.*

**QUESTION;** What was the sin in building this tower?

**ANSWER;** Many schools of thought, several with probability others not likely, as listed.

**#1) ATTACK HEAVEN ITSELF -** *Adolescent concept. Would be more frustrating for them to have tried and failed. Man has reached the moon without threatening God. ISA 14:4, 13, 14 - ISA. looking back at Babel, not trying to explain Genesis but proclaims the sin and the judgement. See Hebrew MYTHS (Not Likely)*

**#2) HARASSMENT -** *Of God for erasing humanity with the Flood. Building a tower which to say, "you can not drown us again." (Not Likely)*

**#3) PROTECTION -** *Remembering the Flood; instead of believing the promise of God, they use their own strength building a tower, high enough to protect against another Flood. (Not Likely)*

**#4) HUMAN PRIDE -** *Tower to show power from its sheer magnitude, thus exalting the builder "let us make us a name" ISA 14:13, 14 Raise up to be like God, exalting himself even as Lucifer had tried. (Portion of sin)*

#5) **UNITY** - Per. Ps 133:1, Eph 4:3,13 - Unity is not generally considered a Sin, Rather a Good Condition.  
THIS CASE Unity = Willful Rebellion against God's Directions.  
GEN 9:1,7 Multiply And Fill THE EARTH"  
Their Attitude EXPRESSED in VRS 4 "LEST WE BE SCATTERED abroad UPON THE FACE OF THE WHOLE WORLD"  
THE TOWER TO BE A CENTER PLACE TO HONE IN ON IF THE PEOPLE SHOULD WANDER OFF.  
An Attraction to bring and keep people in the city. A focus point other than God.

#### #6) **ASTROLOGY & ANCIENT RELIGIOUS COSMOLOGIES**

##### **DEFINITION:**

**ASTROLOGY;** "The act of divining the fate of the future of a person from the juxta position of the sun, moon and the planets."

**JUDICIAL ASTROLOGY;** "Foretelling destinies of individuals and nations"

Page 2 Belief That mans Destiny is Controlled by The Position of The STARS or SIGNS OF THE ZODIAC

**NATURAL ASTROLOGY;** "Predicts changes in the weather and the and effects of the stars and planets upon things."

USED EVERY DAY, SUCH AS REFERRING TO A SEASON.

USED TO PREDICT - TIDES WHEN DEALING WITH THE OCEANS. THE PLANETS DO NATURALLY AFFECT CONDITIONS ON OUR PLANET

## WHAT IS GOD'S OPINION ON ASTROLOGY?

DEUT. 18:9-12 Abomination of the Nations  
DEUT. 17:2-5 Serving Gods of Sun, moon or Hosts of Heaven, Punishable by Death  
DAN. 1:20 God answers when Astrology can not  
ISA. 44:24,25 God Created the heavens - diviners can not read them  
ISA. 47:13-15 Astrologers & stargazers shall be burned like stubble.

An Abomination before God, therefore forbidden.

## WHAT DO WE KNOW ABOUT THE BABYLONS INVOLVEMENT IN ASTROLOGY?

ASTROLOGY; REVIVAL IN THE COSMIC GARDEN  
BY, Michael Van Buskirk

Quotes; Astronomer George O. Abell, regarding the presupposition underlying ancient astrology.

"The Babylonians and Greeks... believed that human affairs were governed by Capricious gods, whose embodiments were in the planets. Since each god, or planet, was the center of force, human lives must be programed by the present motion of the planets. What, then, can be determine one's individual lot? Only the moment that he happens to enter the world and fall into step with the eternal and predestined movements of heaven."

special notes; The Babylonian religion was the Source of Ancient and Modern Systems of Astrology. In general, ancient religions saw the Sun as a supernatural source or sustainer of life. Many ancient religions attributed the creation of the earth and all of its life to the Sun, often referred to as the Supreme God. "It is a very necessary part of our existence, for it does sustain life by giving light, warmth and energy, but it is an inanimate object that was created by a living God. "THE TOWER "high in the heavens" <sup>"OBSERVATORY"</sup> provided a excellent platform to view the position of the stars and planets as they revolved around the Sun. Babylonia found to be covered with "Ziggurates" which were used for ancient astronomical purposes.

EVEN Today we use 12 Jurors for trials, started by picking 1 Juror from each sign of Zodiac.

CONCLUSION; <sup>Unity</sup> Wilful disobedience, coupled with <sup>Astrology</sup> Pagan worship, <sup>Human pride</sup> Advanced Technology and power, would totally drive mankind away from God.

VRS. 5

**"THE LORD CAME DOWN TO SEE"**

Believe this means - He took a personal interest in this project.

VRS. 6

KJV, "This they begin to do"  
TORAH, "This is how they begun to act"

People being united, able to communicate caused  
advanced technology and progression: Their  
Focus was advancing away from God and towards  
Pagan worship and their own strength.

VRS. 7

"GO TO" "YAHAB" Lords Pronouncement of his decision

"LET US" Plural - The Trinities united decision.

"GO DOWN" Direct intervention into mans way of life.

RESULTS: Confounded their language. Lack of communication  
Stifles their progression in technology and unity.

PS 33:10 The Lord bringeth the counsel of the heathen to  
nought: he maketh the devices of the people of none effect.

VRS. 8

**"THE LORD SCATTERED THEM"**  
**REFER TO MAP 2A**

VRS. 9

"THEREFORE CALLED BABEL" Because the Lord Confounded  
the language. our word Babble - "to utter inarticulate,  
or meaningless sounds" - to utter

PER TORAH: "FROM THERE THE LORD SCATTERED"

The Area and time that man migrated from.

(Ether) VRS 8-16

**PROVIDES INSIGHT TO THE TOWER ACCOUNT NOT TOLD IN BIBLE:**

**1st; PAGANISM & SIN** Not everyone at Babel was rebelling  
against God or had turned to Pagan Worship.

Refer to VRS. 8 The Brother of JARED WAS HIGHLY  
Favored by the Lord

Why was he favored?

1Ne. 5:122 "HE that is righteous, is favored"

1Pet. 3:12 Lord's eyes and ears are open to the Righteous

Answer: Brother of Jared was therefore apparently Righteous

**2nd; TIME ELEMENT TO CONFOUND** Took some time for  
the confounding of languages to have taken place.

Refer to VRS. 8 "Jared his brother said unto him" same speech  
"that he will not confound us" had not yet occurred to them.

VRS. 10 Cry unto Lord - Confounded not  
the Language of their friends.

**3rd; TIME ELEMENT TO LEAVE THE TOWER** Sometime had  
Passed after the Lord began to intervene, possibly several days.

Refer to;

VRS. 9, 11, 15 Jared CRIED unto the Lord  
Three times before leaving

**4th; THE LORD STILL LOVED HIS PEOPLE** Lord Cared about the People,  
their families, and social needs, leaving them together.

Refer to VRS. 9 "Lord had Compassion upon JARED"

VRS. 16 "Lord had Compassion upon Brother of Jared."



**5th; THE LORD CAUSED THEM TO MIGRATE OUT** Lord Did not  
Just Pluck them up and deposit them Elsewhere.

Refer to Vrs. 12 "Drive us out of the land"

Vrs. 16 Gathered Provisions for the Journey

**VRS 17 MIGRATION BEGINS** Lord Directs them down  
into the Valley Northward.

**VRS 18 INTERRUPTION OF MIGRATION ACCOUNT FOR ADDITIONAL INFO**

PROMISE: They will go into a land choice above all lands on the earth

1NE 1:54 APPARENTLY Same land that Lehi would also come to.

**VRS 19 -21 A PROMISE** Lord would Bless them and their  
Seed. There would be no greater  
nation upon the face of the earth.

**Question; Did the Lord forget his promise?**

IE; Eth 1:1 PER Moroni;

"inhabitants that were destroyed by the hand of the Lord"

Answer; No- The Promise was Conditional

refer to Eth 1:30-33 Land of Promise, Who ever should  
Possess it Should Serve God or be  
Swept off.

Alma 17: 52-57 People involved in Secret works-  
Lord said if They do not repent, he destroyed.

Other examples; Nephites Destroyed- Removed from land  
Alma 1: 116-120

**VRS 22 MIGRATION NORTHWARD/ VALLEY CALLED NIMROD**

**Question:** Why was it called Nimrod?

**Answer:** GEN 11:9 "The name of it was called Babel."

GEN 10:8-10 The beginning of his Kingdom was Babel, in the land of Shinar. Valley named after the ruler and is located in the Plain of Shinar.

**Question:** What do we know about Nimrod?

**Answer:** Son of Cush (GEN 10:8), Grandson of Ham (GEN 10:6)  
Greatest Grandson of Noah (GEN 10:1). Cush as Ham's eldest  
son apparently resented the curse put upon his younger  
brother Canaan by Noah (GEN 9:25). Resenting the curse  
more and more as the years rolled on, until his last son  
was born, who he named "Nimrod" meaning "Let us Rebel"  
Cush. Possibly trained Nimrod from childhood in a planned and  
organized rebellion against God.

**Question:** Why was he called Mighty before the Lord? (GEN 10:8,9)

**Answer:** PER STRONG'S HEBREW DICTIONARY - Look up Strong's Definition.  
Mighty (ghibbore) Warrior, TYRANT  
hunter (tsahyid) The Chase, that which he took in  
before (pawneem) against

Nimrod became a "Mighty Tyrant" in the face of Jehovah.  
He was a "hunter" in the sense that he was implacable in  
searching out and persuading men to obey his will.  
As the leader in the Plain of Shinar it would have been  
his scheme to construct the Tower that caused God to  
confound the languages.

As mentioned earlier, this tower was built for the purpose  
of raising up the Builder "Nimrod". Rebellion against  
Commandment to fill the Earth (lest we be scattered) and  
pagan worship.

**Per the Jerusalem Targum:** He was powerful in hunting and in wickedness before the Lord, for he was a hunter of the sons of men, and he said unto them "Depart from the judgement of the Lord, and adhere to the judgement of Nimrod!" Therefore it is said, "As Nimrod the strong one, strong in hunting and wickedness before the Lord."

**NOTE VRS 22 ON MIGRATION REFERENCE  
CHART INFORMATION ON MAP 2**

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Strong's Hebrew Dictionary Entry

English Word: hunter

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(6718) [cayid] tsah'-yid; from a form of [cw.d] and mean. the same; the chase; also game (thus taken); (gen.) lunch (espec. for a journey): - \* catcheth, food, \* hunter, (that which he took in) hunting, venison, victual

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Strong's Hebrew Dictionary Entry

English Word: mighty

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(1368) [g.ib.owr] ghib-bore'; or (short.) [g.ib.or] ghib-bore'; intens. from the same as [g.eber]; powerful; by impl. warrior, tyrant: - champion, chief, \* excel, giant, man, mighty (man, one), strong (man), valiant man

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Strong's Hebrew Dictionary Entry

English Word: before

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(6440) [p.fniym] paw-neem'; plur. (but always as sing.) of an unused noun [p.fneh] paw-neh'; from [p.fnfh]; the face (as the part that turns); use in a great variety of applications (lit. and fig.); also (with prep. pref.) as a prep. (before, etc.): - / accept, a- (be-) fore (- time), against, anger, \* as (long as), at, / battle, / because (of), / beseech, countenance edge, / employ, endure, / enquire, face, favour, fear of, for, forefront (-part), form (-er time, -ward), from, front, heaviness, \* him (- self), / honourable, / impudent, / in, it, look -eth (-s), \* me, / meet, \* more than mouth, of, off, (of) old (time), \* on, open, / out of, over against, the partial, person, / please, presence, propect, was purposed, by reason, of, regard, right forth, / serve, \* shewbread, sight, state, straight, / street \* thee, \* them (-selves), through (/ - out), till, time (- s) past, (un-) t (-ward), / upon, upside (/ down), with (-in), / -stand), \* ye, \* you

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VRS. 22, 23, 24 OBTAINED PROVISIONS FOR THE JOURNEY

**FLOCKS (vrs. 16)** Took male and female in order  
to have offspring for continuous food supply  
and Beasts of Burden to carry the load.  
Supply Wool & Leather for clothing, sandals ect.

**SEEDS (vrs. 16)** Able to plant and grow their own food while  
traveling and camping in the wilderness, as well as when they reach  
their destination. (Constructing Barges) Fertile Soil/Water still needed.  
MODERN Anthropologist Believe People TAKE Their Plants With Them When They Migrate.

**FISH** Constructed a live well to Preserve Live/Fresh  
fish for the Journey.  
Leads one to believe that they were on the  
banks or near a body of water. "Clue to Valley of Nimrod"

**DESERT (honey bee)** The bees not only provided honey. The only  
sweet available to them, but would have been important  
in pollination of the crops needed for their food supply. Also WAX  
The true honey bee, APIS, began in Europe.

Although it is unknown if the bees carried by the  
Taradites survived the Journey or not, but- A Variety  
of Stingless bees have been found in America, but  
limited to Southern Mexico, Central America, Northern  
Portions of South America.

Von Hagen; writing about the Maya of Yucatan  
and Central America said, "Stingless bees were bred  
in tree hollows; The land abounds in honey used for  
sweetening and, more important, for a mead like  
intoxicant called Balche.

**VRS. 25 "CAME DOWN IN A CLOUD"**

Brother of Jared seems to be the group spokesman. This account seems to be a consistent method of revelation to man in the old Testament times.

**REFER TO;**

EX 16:10 The Glory of God appeared in the Cloud.  
EX 19:9 I Come to the in a thick cloud People hear when he speaks  
EX 24:16 Lord called to Moses out of the cloud  
EX 40:38 Cloud of the Lord was upon the Tabernacle by day.  
LEV 16:2 Lord appeared in a cloud upon the mercy seat.

**VRS. 26 INDICATIONS OF THE DIRECTION THEY WILL MIGRATE**

1st - Into the wilderness  
2nd - Quarter where no man has gone.

REFER TO MAP 2A (where that quarter may be)

**VRS. 27 "BEFORE THEM IN A CLOUD"**

Question: What cloud?

A Pillar of Smoke or Cloud. Was both a signal and a guide at the time of the Exodus. It is called the "Shechinah" or "Shekinah", AN Aramaic word meaning "Resting Place". This name is not found in Scriptures but used by later Jews to designate the visible Presence of God.

**REFER TO;**

EX 13:21,22 Lord went before them in a Pillar of a cloud  
EX 14:24 Lord looked & troubled Egyptians through the cloud  
NUM 12:5 Lord stood in cloud and called  
PS 78:14 Led by cloud in day.  
LUKE 21:27 Son of man coming in a cloud.

**VRS. 28 - THE MIGRATION CONTINUES**

Came to bodies of water, built barges and crossed the waters.

**COMPLETE MIGRATION WORK SHEET  
CHART ON MAP 2**

**VRS. 29 - MIGRATION CONTINUES**

After crossing the water they continued the journey into wilderness (quarter) towards the sea.

**CHART ON MAP 2**

Destination foretold - Beyond the sea unto a promised land, choice, preserved for righteous people.

The condition to the promise given to  
them in ETHER 1:19-21

**Question: What was God's decree?** whoever should  
possess the land of promise should serve God or be  
swept off.

**Question: Who was this written to? (SEE 2 Nephi 1:11,12)**

To the people that the Lord brings to the land. In  
this case in ETHER it is The Brother of Jared, Jared and  
their families.

**Question: How long would they be under the decree?**  
**(conditional promise)** EVERlasting decree, or rather

As long as the people that the Lord brought there,  
remain there. Until ripe in iniquity

**Question: What is meant by RIPE?**

PER STRONG'S #3583 ; RIPE (Chrai'nw)

To desiccate, to shrivel, to mature, dry up,  
Pine away, wither away.

*Not Just Sinned-  
 But Good at it, a  
 way of life, reject  
 Good and right.*

**Question: God's wrath? Is he not a God of love and passion?**

"WRATH" PER STRONG'S HEBREW DICTIONARY

(3707) Jer 44:8, Duet 9:22 To Trouble, to grieve, Rage  
indignant.

(7107) Deut 9:7,8, Lev 10:6 Burst out in Rage, be angry

(7110) Num 16:46, Ps 38:1 Rage or strife (As chipped off)

(2534) Num 25:11, 2kg 22:17 Hot displeasure, furious, indignation

(2740) Ez 7:12,14, Ex 15:7 A burning of Rage,  
Sore displeasure

(639) Num 11:33, Gen 39:19, Ex 22:24 Rapid breathing  
of Passion, Anger

(5678) Nah 1:2, Isa 13:9, Isa 9:19, Prov 11:23 outburst  
of Passion.

(2372) Rev 14:19, Rev 16:1 Passion (As if breathing hard)  
Fierceness

(3709) Rom 9:22, Luk 3:7, Luk 16:19 Violent Passion  
(Justifiable), punishment, vengeance

VRS 34-35

EDITORIAL Comments injected into the  
STORY By Moroni, other option - Admonition from Ether.

see vrs 36

"AND NOW I proceed with my Record;

QUESTION: Who is this admonition written to?

ANSWER: 1ST

The Gentiles

2ND

Any Nation Possessing This Choice Land (America)

QUESTION: WHAT PROMISE WAS GIVEN?

ANSWER:

What ever nation shall possess this land shall  
be free from bondage, and captivity from all other Nations

QUESTION: HOW LONG?

ANSWER:

As Long as They Serve God.

HOW DO WE DO THAT?

ANSWER:

MOS. 13:35-38

The voice or majority of the people  
chooses to do right - follow God. "Moral Majority"

MATT 5:13

Remain a faithful witness and example  
for God. SALT of the EARTH. If the SALT LOST  
it's SAVOR, with what shall it (the EARTH) be SALTED.

QUESTION: WHAT IS INIQUITY?

ANSWER:

old Testament (AVON) Moral fault, mischief, sin

New Testament - (Anomia) - Violation of Law, wickedness  
transgress the law, unrighteousness

QUESTION: DID MORONI HAVE ANY OTHER COMMENTS ON HOW SHOULD WE DEAL WITH INIQUITY IN THE CHURCH?

ANSWER:

MORONI 6:7,8 - STRICT to observe there should be  
no iniquity among the church.

If condemned before the Elders - They should repent,  
if NOT, names should be blotted out.

**VRS. 36,37 - THE MIGRATION CONTINUES**

Traveled in the wilderness until they came to the ocean coast

**COMPLETE MIGRATION WORK SHEET  
CHART ON MAP 2**

**Question; How long has the journey been thus far?**

**Answer; At the sea coast -** 4 Years (Thus far);

**Getting to the sea coast -** Several years, maybe as many as 12 or more.

BASIS - Lehi Traveled from Jerusalem (1 Ne 1:3) to Arabia, which took 8 years (1 Ne 5:61)

Lehi Traveled - 1900 miles, Jaredites Traveled 4000 miles in addition, took time to gather supplies (Eth 1:16)

as well as stopping to construct barges to

cross the waters (Eth 1:28) 12 years low estimate - 20 yrs good guess

**Question; Why did they name the place MORIANCUMER?**

**Answer; (refer to vrs 22) -** 1 out of 2 Possibilities for The Name of the Brother of Jared. Common Place to Name Area after a leader or important person, Just as they did at The Valley of Nimrod.

**VRS. 38-42**

Does not say that he did not pray for four years, only says "at the end of 4 years" time they had dwelt there 4 years. We can gather it had been some extended time however.

**Question; What lesson is to be learned?**

**Answer;** It is Dangerous to Stop Communicating with God. People that resist God and avoid him fall into sin. and then come to a point where they no longer can hear his voice, nor have his spirit to strive with them.

**supporting references;**

Gen 6:3 My Spirit shall not always strive with man.

Rom 1:18 Wrath against those who hold truth in unrighteousness.

John 15:5,6 If man abide not in him, cast in fire and burned.

Mos 11:141 those that won't Repent will not be numbered among his people.

1 Ne 2:67 Those stayed in darkness, wandered off & were lost.

Alma 19:8 Deny Holy Ghost once you had it, Sin unpardonable.



**VRS 43-59** Began construction of barges after the four years on the sea coast.

Question; Who engineered the design?

Answer; VRS 44 "Built According to the INSTRUCTIONS of THE LORD"

Question; Who did the labor?

Answer; VRS 43, 44 "THE PEOPLE"

Question; Why was it done that way?

Answer; IT IS MAN'S responsibility to WORK while on This Earth.

- Ex 34:21 Six days man should WORK - Seventh Day Rest
- Prov 18:9 He who is slothful in work is brother to the greater waster
- John 6:29 WORK of God to believe on him (Faith in God - do what he tells you)
- John 17:4 Jesus (glorified God (as a man)) his WORK is done.

Question; Did the Lord have any reference or experience at designing sea worth vessels?

Answer; See Gen 6:14-16 Design for Noah's Ark, IT has been only a few generations or two hundred years since Noah.

Question; What do you think the barge looked Like? → draw Picture

- 1 - Vrs 45 Small
- 2 - Vrs 45 - Buoyant "light upon the water" ARCHIMEDES PRINCIPLE  
The weight of the water that the object displaces is more than weight of object.
- 3 - Vrs 45, 46 Tight like a dish - Not shape but water proof like a dish.  
Joined together close tolerances, used Slime or Bitumen (TAR) to water proof IT. They knew about TAR from tower, used on Noah's Boat (Gen 6:14-16)
- 4 - Vrs 46 Ends Peaked - Airspaces to keep vessel upright
- 5 - Vrs 46 - Top Tight Closed Bow Not open Boat
- 6 - Vrs 46 - length of a tree Most Common used tree is Cedar - Appx 50'
- 7 - Vrs 46 Has A door - Tight when shut
- 8 - Vrs 48, 56 No Windows (STEEL) move around inside the vessel  
Even if they had a window in the middle of ocean everything looks the same  
Vrs 54 Lord Concerned about them being left in darkness during journey
- 9 - Vrs 50 Hole in the Top and Bottom Air & light during good weather  
disposal for WASTE through bottom (Boyle's Law) Kept water from coming in
- 10 - Vrs 56, 59 STURDY - WITH STAND pounding and Pressure of sea 33FT 29.4 PSI  
Surface 14.7 PSI

Question; Are there any known designs fit that description?

Answer; Phoenicians came about 1200 BC. They Escape Real Attention but  
credited for inventing the Alphabet, Process for dying wool to  
a deep purple (Murex shell) and their own achievements  
as sea traders. They were the sea traders,  
most advanced.

SEE APPENDIX C

The reason for this is that water is virtually incompressible. You can't "squeeze" it smaller or force it into a smaller space. Figure 2-28 illustrates how the increasing pressure is transmitted through the walls of the container directly into and through the water inside the container. No matter how great the pressure, the water stays the same size.

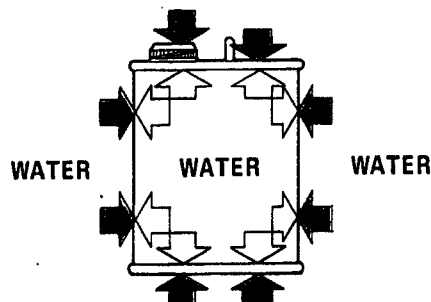


Fig. 2-28 Effect of Water Pressure on a Water-Filled Container

Air, or any gas for that matter, is compressible. Applied pressure squeezes it into a much smaller volume. As you can see in figure 2-29, the force of five atmospheres is enough to squeeze the air into a space that is one-fifth the original size of the container. The air inside the container is squeezed until the air pressure equals the surrounding water pressure. When the air in the container is equalized with the surrounding water pressure, the squeezing action stops.

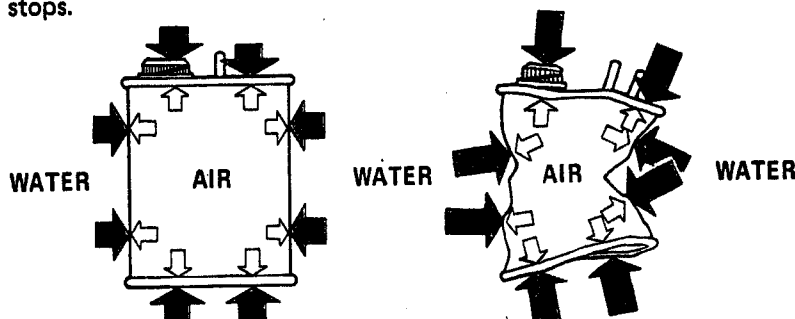


Fig. 2-29 Effect of Water Pressure on an Air-Filled Container

**BOYLE'S LAW**

In 1610, Robert Boyle, a British physicist and chemist, noticed how pressure affects containers of air and other gases. He found the same thing happens in the same way every time, so he wrote what is now known as "Boyle's Law." It states that if the temperature stays the same, the volume of the gas gets smaller at the same rate that the surrounding pressure increases. (See Gas Laws in Appendix.)

Figure 2-30 shows how Boyle's Law works. If you take the one-gallon container, turn it upside down, and leave the cap off so water can enter the can freely, water will compress the air as pressure increases. When the absolute pressure doubles at 33 feet (two atmospheres absolute, 29.4 psi), the volume of air is cut in half as water fills one-half of the container. At 66 feet (three atmospheres absolute) the air is compressed to one-third of its original volume, at 99 feet (four atmospheres absolute) the air is squeezed to one-fourth its original volume, and so on as depth and pressure increase. When you return the container to the surface, the air expands to its original volume.

		AIR-FILLED (OPEN)
SEA LEVEL	14.7 PSI (1 ATM) VOL=100% (1)	
33 FT	29.4 PSI (2 ATM) VOL=50% (1/2)	
66 FT	44.1 PSI (3 ATM) VOL=33 1/3% (1/3)	
99 FT	58.8 PSI (4 ATM) VOL=25% (1/4)	
132 FT	73.5 PSI (5 ATM) VOL=20% (1/5)	

Fig. 2-30 How Boyle's Law Works

Boyle's Law is significant for the diver in several ways. Most of your body be thought of as a large liquid-filled "body balloon." Like the water-container, nothing happens during descent. Increasing pressure is si transmitted into and through blood, bone, and solid tissue without dam anything. No one knows exactly how much pressure the human body withstand, but it is deeper than 1,500 feet. This is far beyond any reason sport diving depth.

**VRS 60 - No word processors in Moroni day.**

Moroni continues with his story, then realizes that he injects pertinent information and injects it into his sentence, then continues what he was saying.

The Number of Vessels was Eight (8).

**Other key points:**

16 STONES 2 Stones for each Vessel

MOULTEN OUT OF ROCK Process of removing impurities or causing a change by use of heat or fire.

Example - molten Lava, Diamonds come from Black Carbon, Pearl Lard Under Heat & Pressure. Glass also dates back to approx 2000 BC.

Jaredites familiar with the use of a furnace from time of the tower. They burned their bricks to harden them. Per Gen 11:3

SHELEM Must be a Jaredite word for Tall, Large high, massive or something of that nature.

**VRS 61-68 Bother of Jared prays:**

Elements of his Prayer (much like the Lords prayer) MATH 6:9-13

- 1 - worship - OH LORD, Thou Art Holy  
Jesus - Our Father, Hallowed be thy name
- 2 - faith - dwellest in HEAVEN  
Jesus - which art in heaven
- 3 - obedience/submission - WE MUST CALL UPON THEE  
Jesus - Thy will be done in earth as in Heaven
- 4 - confession - WE ARE UNWORTHY  
Jesus - and forgive us our debts
- 5 - dependence - from thee we may Receive  
Jesus - Lead us not into Temptation but deliver us from evil
- 6 - compassion - Thou hast been merciful unto us  
Jesus - as we forgive our debtors
- 7 - acknowledgment - Thou has all power, can do anything thou wilt  
Jesus - for thine is the Kingdom and the power and glory forever
- 8 - petition - With thy finger, Prepare Them  
Jesus - give us this day our daily bread

Eloquent & EFFECTIVE PRAYERS - Both SHORT AND TO THE POINT. No multiplying of words.

Question; Was this petition tempting the Lord?

**"TOUCH THESE STONES, WITH THY FINGER"**

Answer; see vrs 58,59 No - The Lord instructed & Asked  
Them, "What will I Prepare for you?"

Demonstrates a quality of God: (see 1Ne 1:65)

God Always Prepares the way for people to  
accomplish what he has instructed them to do.

Stones described: Clear / transparent as Glass  
(Spotless, without flaw)

STONES POSSIBLY ILLUSTRATE A **TYPE OF CHRIST.**

**"A LIGHT UNTO THE WORLD"**

ETH 1:108 I AM the Light  
JOHN 12:46 I AM Come, & light into the World

TYPES IN EXODUS STORY;

**"BREAD OF LIFE"**

EX 16:14, 15, 31 The bread which the Lord hath given you.  
JOHN 6:31-35 I am the Bread of Life.

**"LIVING WATER"**

EX 17:6 Smite rock, water out of it that the people may drink  
JOHN 4: 13,14 water I shall give, well springing up everlasting life

**VRS 69 - The prayer is answered**

The Lord was seen touching the stones  
with his finger. (Eth 5:19)

Question; What does, "Vail taken from his eyes", mean?

Answer; Blind from the spirit world. Possibly it is  
always present however we cannot see it. (ETH 5:19)

(also see)

2KG 6:15-17 Lord opened eyes so servant could see the protecting  
angles that surrounded them.

HEB 6:19-20 entereth within the Vail, Blocked View  
in the Holy of Holies

VRS. 70-71      Brother of Jared is afraid for having seen the LORD.

Question: Why the fear? (refer to)

Ex 3:6      MOSES Hid his face; For He was Afraid to look UPON God.  
Ex 33:18-23      Thou canst see my face and live. I will Pass by, Thou shalt See my Back

Answer:      Believed that he would die if he saw God.

VRS. 72      Saw the LORD because of his faith.

Question: Who was he seeing?

Answer: (see vrs 77)      JESUS CHRIST

Question: What condition or form was he in?

Answer:      The Body of his spirit.

See Vrs 82 for further clarification. Moroni makes editorial comment. He says that he saw in the spirit which was a likeness of the body he will come to the Nephites in. (see 3NE 5:8,9)

VRS. 73-76      Brother of Jared believes, and demonstrates his faith God and is therefore redeemed from the fall.

Question: What fall?

Gen 3:17-19      Thou hearkened unto your wife, unto dust thou shalt return.  
Alma 9:38      Adam did fall by partaking of the forbidden fruit, mankind fallen.

Answer:      After Adam partook of the forbidden fruit, mankind has been in a fallen state ever since, therefore lost.

Question: How is it possible to overcome "the Fall"?

Answer:      THE PLAN OF SALVATION

see; Alma 9:46-49      man must die, God Prepared a Plan of Redemption  
Alma 16:207-218      Christ shall come, take upon him transgressions of man.  
2Ne 1:115-122      messiah shall come, redeem the children from the fall.

Question: Did it happen immediately?

see; Math 27:51-53      The Graves were opened and the Bodies of the Saints were raised after the resurrection.

Answer:      Not likely, probably happened after Christ's resurrection

**VRS. 77-81 Jesus identifies himself.**

He said he IS Jesus Christ, He is The  
Father and the Son. He came to redeem  
his people.

Jesus tell of the conception of the "PLAN OF SALVATION"

vrs 77 Who was prepared from the foundations of  
The World.

Mos 2:10 The Atonement which has been prepared from the  
foundation of the world, that thereby salvation might come.

Heb 9:26 He often have suffered since the foundation of the  
World. Put away sin by sacrifice of himself.

1Pet 1:19-21 Blood of Christ, who was foreordained before  
The foundation of the world.

Note; "Foundation" Defined by Strong's #2602  
founding, conception, conceive,

Jesus describes "THE PLAN OF SALVATION" and his involvement.

vrs 77 HE IS THE REDEEMER

vrs 78 Those who believe on his name shall have  
eternal life.

Jesus describes His involvement in the creation.

vrs 79,80 It was Him, Jesus Christ, who  
created man in the beginning. Man was  
Created after his Image.

Note; "IMAGE" defined by Strong's #1504,  
likeness, profile, representation.

Jesus compares the spirit body with the flesh.

vrs 81 man was Created after the Body  
of his spirit. That image of the spirit will  
be his body that he will appear to man.

Question: Doesn't the Bible say, God created?

- \* GEN 1:1 In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.
- # GEN 2:4 These are the generations of the heavens and of the earth when they were created, in the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens,
- # GEN 2:7 And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.

Answer: GOD and LORD'S translated from Hebrew.

EL or ELOAH - It's Hebrew singular for God. Eloah is used only in Poetry.

\*ELOHIM the "IM" in Elohim is Plural form of God. (GEN 1:1) would indicate more than one is involved in the creation of Man & World.

#YHWY (YAWAY) LORD printed in small caps is the Proper Name for God of the Hebrews. THE Hebrew word YHWY (Vowels not used), translates as Jehovah. The name was held so sacred by Jews that they never pronounced it, except by the High Priest on the Day of Atonement. When the name YHWY occurred in the Sacred Books, they would pronounce it, still do, "Adonai", which is LORD

Jehovah means "I Am" and names himself  
"I Am"  
"I Am The Alpha & Omega"

see Gen 3:22 God (Elohim) identifies himself as Plural "Us"  
GEN 1:26

Question: So then did Jesus do the Creation?

Mos 1:97,102 Jesus Christ, Son of God, Father of Heaven & Earth. Creator of all things from the beginning, came down & dwelt

Mos 2:4 Jesus Christ, Son of God, who created the Heaven & the Earth and all things, shall come down among the children of men.

Col 1:15,16 Image of the invisible God, the first born of all creation for by him all things were created that are in Heaven & Earth.

Eph 3:9 God who created all things by Jesus Christ.

3Ne 4:44,45 I Am Jesus Christ, Son of God, I created the Heaven & Earth. I Am in the Father and Father in Me.

vrs 77 I Am the Father, and the Son.

Answer: Yes, Jesus is the God that created Man and EVERYTHING in the Earth.

Question: How is it he can be both, The Father & The Son?

refer to;

2Coth 4:4-6 Gospel of CARIST who is the image of God.  
God Commanded the light to shine hath shone it in our Hearts  
to give the light of the Glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Luk 10:22 All Things are delivered to me of my father, and no  
man knoweth who the Son is, but the Father, and whom the Son will reveal.

John 14:8-11 He that hath seen me hath seen the Father. I Am in the  
Father, and the Father in me. What I speak are of the Father.  
Unified and Common thought & Purpose - No Conflicts and disputes

Rev 1:8 I Am the Alpha and Omega, The beginning and the  
ending; Thus saith the Lord who is, who was, and who is to  
Come, The Almighty. (Alpha & Omega are 1st & last letters of Greek Alphabet)

John 1:1-3 In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God, and  
the Word was God, the same was in the beginning with God, and all  
things were made by Him.

"WORD" (Greek word "Logos")  
defined; MEANS a Thought or Concept. The Expression  
or utterance of that thought.

Therefore, "Logos" or "Word" Embodies all the treasures  
of divine wisdom and Collective Thoughts of God.

vrs 14 The Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us.  
The thought became Jesus Christ

John 3:31, 34, 35 He that cometh from Above is Above all.  
Above All is 1st in Position not Number.  
For whom God hath sent, speaketh the words of God, the Father loveth  
the Son, and hath given all things into his hands.

Mosiah 8:28-31 God himself shall come down among the children of  
men and redeem his people. Because he dwelleth in flesh, he shall  
be called the Son of God. Having subjected the flesh to the will of  
the Father being Father and Son; Father because he was conceived by  
Power of God, and Son because of the flesh; thus becoming The  
Father & Son. They ARE one God.

3NE 9:21-23  
Answer: He is the only one who is  
eternally present in the past, present, and future.  
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eternally present in the past, present, and future.



**MORONI LEAVES ABBIDGEMENT OF JAREDITE RECORD AND PROCEEDS WITH EDITORIAL COMMENTS.**

**VRS. 82-84** Moroni Explains and Summarizes the interaction with Brother of Jared and Jesus Christ

**VRS. 85** Moroni explains how it was that the Brother of Jared saw the Lord.

reason; Brother of Jared Saw, "Because of Faith"

(HEB 11:1) Faith is the substance of things Hoped for, the evidence of things NOT seen.

**Question:** What happened to it?

**Answer:** Lost his faith because he obtained a perfect knowledge.

**Question:** Will this ever happen to us?

**Answer:** Rom 14:11,12 "EVERY KNEE shall bow to me, every tongue will Confess to God. (They all know)

**MORONI CONTINUES THE ACCOUNT**

**VRS. 85-94** Brother of Jared forbidden to disclose what he had seen or heard, during the encounter with the Lord.

vrs. 89 Lord Confounded his writing, Could not read it.

vrs. 92 Sealed them up

**Question:** For how long?

**Answer:** Vrs 86 Until time I shall Glorify my name in the flesh

Bible is consistent

Matt 8:1-4 See that thou shall tell no man

Mark 8:22-30 Neither go to town or tell it in any town

Mark 9:9 Charged them, they tell no man, what they had seen

**Question:** Why is that? mark 9:9 until he has risen

**Answer:** John 2:1-4, Matt 26:18 His time had not yet come to reveal that he was the Sacrifice. The Messiah, First he must come and Teach the word of God, and repentance and fulfill prophecy

**SPECIAL NOTES:**

- vrs. 88 - First Account in History of the interpreters, or urim and Thummim.
- vrs. 89 - Purpose - God had Confounded his writings so it could not be read, until he determined the time.
- vrs. 92 - Lord sealed them up - until he showed them in His Time.

Question: When were they used again?

Answer: Next recorded account.

Mos 5:72-80 A MAN can translate he has with him a gift from God Interpreters. 121 BC

Mos 12:14-18 Mosiah had taken and translated the plates of gold, by means of two stones. 92 BC

Mos 12:19 "Handed down from generation to generation"  
Eth 1:88 Brother of Jared sealed them up - next to have possession in this land was Mosiah. His words indicate he obtained from a Father - unknown who.

**SECOND POSSIBILITY FOR THE BROTHER OF JARED'S NAME**

- 1) Hand a great work and responsibility to perform for the Lord. Eth 1:86-93
- 2) He calls himself, "a servant" Eth 1:62
- 3) He was the first to have the stones, (interpreters) & (luminaries).

Name of man with like qualities given Alma 17:55

Name - Gazelem  
Stone for light - In vessels - Those with Faith to Go.  
Stones that interpret - tell the wicked things of the people

**VRS.95** The King kept the records from the world till after Christ came.

Question: Who was the King?

Answer: Mos 12:15 - 13:2 <sup>14</sup> King Mosiah was the King who translated and retained them

Why does it say King Benjamin? Per Palmyra Edition  
Pa 376, King Benjamin is listed, RDS puts Mosiah in brackets as part of a mistake. Church of Christ Published B of M connected to seal Mosiah. - Per original - Moroni made The mistake.

VRS 96-98 Moroni directed to hide up the records.

Question: Why?

Answer: Because the People Rejected the Gospel of Christ.

Moroni complies with directions from the Lord.

MORM 4:15-17 "Behold I Moroni hideth up this record"  
of no worth to People Because they rejected  
and lost it. 400 AD

VRS 99 Moroni receives further directions.

Sealed up Book interpreters and interpretation  
according to the directions of the Lord 400 AD

VRS 100-117 Moroni writes a revelation.

"For The Lord Said Unto Me" Revealed = a Revelation.

Message given to two groups:

1st (vrs 109) To the Gentiles

2nd (vrs 110) To The House of ISRAEL

Pertinent points in this revelation:

- #1 - vrs 100, 102, 107 Revelation given from Jesus  
through man, Moroni, to man, Gentiles and House of Israel.
- #2 - vrs 92, 100 Time Frame given when the Gentiles will receive  
what the Brother of Jared saw and heard during his visit with Jesus.
- #3 - vrs 100, 101 Gentiles Condition must be repentant and  
faithful before they can come.
- #4 - vrs 102 Warning to those who contend against or deny his  
message, that they shall be accursed and they will not receive any more.
- #5 - vrs 103 Identifies Jesus Power and Authority to control all  
elements of the world and existence. - We are dependent on.
- #6 - vrs 105 Jesus strives "to endeavor with earnestness" with  
those who believe through the spirit.

- #7 - vrs 105,106 The works of the spirit - manifestation of  
Truth, Persuade men to do good.
- #8 - vrs 108 Jesus, himself, is the light to the  
World.
- #9 - vrs 109 Message Directly Given to Group  
Identified as Gentiles.
- #10 - vrs 110 Message Directly Given to Group  
Identified as House of Israel
- #11 - vrs 111 Consequence of not believing, having your spirit remain  
in wickedness, hardness of heart, blindness of mind.
- #12 - vrs 111 our responsibility to remove disbelief,  
"Ye shall rend that veil of unbelief"
- #13 - vrs 112 Our responsibility - call upon the Lord, heart broken,  
spirit contrite, then come to knowledge of God's truth & covenants.
- #14 - vrs 113 (Further revelation) God's message will also  
come through John who was with Jesus.  
He wrote revelations (I NE 3:238-253) John is  
the Authority on revelation saw the things  
in Heaven.
- #15 - vrs 114 Time that the work of the Father  
will commence.  
I NE 9: 86-101
- #16 - vrs 115,116 Final warning to be prepared for  
The Judgement Day.
- #17 - vrs 115 Directions to be kept - Believe in his Gospel  
Signs shall follow them that believe  
See Mark 16:17-18 - Cast out demons, speak with new  
tongues, take up serpents, drink deadly things not hurt them,  
lay hands on the sick and they shall recover.
- #18 - vrs 116 Promise of Hope is given - shall be  
lifted up to dwell in his Kingdom.
- #19 - vrs 117 Signed and endorses the message  
"I have spoken" - "Amen" "Let it be So"
- Bring revelation down to earth - see I NE 3:16-17

END OF CHAPTER 1

## CHAPTER TWO

**Vrs. 1 - Moroni explains his writings.**

1st: Words of his revelation which he was  
commanded to write.

Special note; aparently written after the fact,  
(according to his memory), interjected, unable to  
determine exactly when he received it but felt  
moved to express it at this point of the abridgement.

2nd: The Records that he sealed up. Things  
That the Brother of Jared Saw.  
See Eth 1:98,99

**Moroni gives warning not to touch or attempt to translate.**

**Question: Why?**

Answer: (See Vrs. 92) It will come in Gods  
own time, no man should try until then

**Vrs. 2 - God provides a witness to prove his word.**

**Question: Is it consistent with God's ways,**

Answer: See II Ne. 8:6 By word of three witnesses  
2PT 1:15-16, ACTS 10:38-42

**Question:** Who is the witness to see the pates?

**Answer:** Joseph Smith

**God will also provide "Three witnesses" to testify to the truth of his word.**

**Question:** Is that common practice?

**Answer:** See II Ne. 8:5 by word of three witnesses  
II NE II: 133, 134

**Vrs. 3 - Prophecy of the three witnesses coming.**

**Question:** Did this ever happen?

**Answer:** See Testimony of 3 witnesses, front of Bo M

**Special note;** all three witnesses went to the grave  
with a unwavering testimony of what they knew.

**Another Three Witnesses named that will establish the truth.**

3 witnesses at Judgement day, establish the truth  
of your Conversion - Father, Son & Holy Ghost:

**Became the example for the church to use in other matters.**

**See Mi. 6:7** 3 witnesses of the Church condemned them-  
with 18:16 - Every word established

**Vrs. 4** Moroni makes a call to repentance to those who will receive this record in the future.

**Vrs. 5** Moroni discusses his authority to make these statements.

Plain English; IF you do not believe me, there  
will come a day when we shall stand  
before the Judgement Bar, and then you  
will know that I spoke the truth.

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**End of Chapter 2**

## CHAPTER THREE

Vrs. 1 Moroni discontinues his editorial comments, picks up where he left off with the Jaredite account.

Chap. 3 continues from Chapter 1 VRS 82

Vrs. 2 Moroni gives a synopsis of what has transpired thus far.

a) Stones - for light Smelted out by the Brother of Jared 1:65

Previously described - Chapt 1 VRS 66

b) Vessels - Barges - Built According to Directions 1:44-47

Previously described - Total 8 vessels VRS 60

to Cross The Ocean - See VRS 58, VRS 37

Vrs. 3 Further synopsis of Jesus interaction on what was happening.

Previously described - Lord Caused - See 1:66, 67

Vrs. 4 The Jaredites prepare for the journey.

a. Prepare food (themselves) See 1:22-24

Prepare for trip - DRY, Salt, Preserve. Meats, Fruits

b. their flocks (see 1:22-24) Flocks, (Sheep & Goats)

fowl (Quail, dove), Honey bee -

Need grains, grasses, Pollen filled plants

Lesson to be Learned

SPECIAL Note-- God Sends you out Somewhere - doesn't mean he will do all the WORK for you.. They spent yrs Travelling, yrs building barges, Farming, Now making Ready



Vrs. 5-24 - The Jaredite's journey continues to unknown lands, according to the directions of the Lord.

vrs. 5 - set forth in the sea, **COMMENDING** themselves unto God.

Commending = "To Committ (Consign or Trust) With Confidence."  
Trust Completely, Surrendering and trusting all to another power or source other than yourself, and doing it with Confidence that it will all work out.

This verse provides a lesson in faith/trust.

**Heb. 11: 6, 1** Substance of Things hoped for, evidence of things not seen, without it, it is impossible to please him.

**Mos. 2:10-17** Trust in the lord, believe in God, Believe he has wisdom, believe man does not comprehend all things, believe all these things see that you do them

**Mos. 13:27** God does work his power extending his arm of mercy towards them that put their trust in him.

**Prov. 28:25** he that putteth his trust in the Lord shall be made fat.

**Question** - Is it a given that everyone had enough faith, trust, and desire to embark on the unknown?

**Answer** - **See Alma 17:55** Prepared a light so he could see who would serve him and follow his instructions. apparently not everyone would

**Question - Is it typically human nature that everyone goes along with the program?**

refer to;

**Gen 1:13** Noah and his family only ones interested in going.  
**1Ne 5:85-90** Brothers murmured against, complained and rejected idea that it came from the Lord

**Answer -** People often reject change and disbelieve.

**Question - What conditions and factors existed to effect there decision whether to go or not.**

**Answer -**

1. **1:12** Driven out of their homes and homelands

2. **1:36,37** Traveled across the Continent - 4000 miles (See p25) Pitched Tents, made homes, established homelands, opened Based shops, had scenic view, maybe just recovering from health problem of last trip.

3. **1:37** Spent 4 years in area before even beginning vessels - some had New Babies, some grown etc

4. **1:43** Spent even more time in area, began constructing 8 barges to cross the sea. Hard work for those who were going to participate. They had no idea what they would find.

5. **1:56** Vessels would be sealed against the outside, crowded, smelly, no way to leave, going under water

6. **1:31** God threatened to destroy those who go and then do not continue to serve him.

**Question: Considering the facts, put in the same position, how many of the class today would go?**

**Answer : Vote =** 27 Go 8 No want 34 go 1 no

Remember  
Notes in Bible - Adam/Eve  
50 - 100 as before the  
200 - 300 as before the  
400 - 500 as before the  
600 - 700 as before the  
800 - 900 as before the  
1000 - 1100 as before the

**All Aboard! They were ready to embark on their vessels.**  
**Vrs. 5 "they got aboard of their vessels, and set forth into the sea."**

**Question - How many went?**

**Answer - Calculate the population at that time with the given known statistics.**

# FIRST BOOK OF BRIAN

## CHAPTER 1

- 1 And now, I Brian, having been given to hypothesize what had transpired among the ancient inhabitants that dwelt at the sea shore with Jared and his Brother, what's his name, proceed to give the account of their human nature.
- 2 And as the people dwelt at the sea shore for the better part of eight years, at the end of the first four years they began to labored continually to complete the construction of barges according to the direction of the Lord.
- 3 And it came to pass that the people finished their work and the vessels were determined to be sea worthy and tight like unto a dish, and the time came to set forth upon their journey to the promised land.
- 4 And Jared said unto his Brother, Go call the people together, for it is time for us to depart, so let us determine who will go upon the voyage unto the promised land.
- 5 And Jared, being a just man, liberated the women, 4000 years early, and gave them a right to vote.
- 6 And the Lord said unto the Brother of Jared, Big mistake, because many of the women did not wish to make the journey across the great deep, specially in a boat that their husbands built.
- 7 They also found many among them that were those great with child, and some had young children to tend to, while even a few had teenagers they desired to leave behind while they went..
- 8 And among the people were found to be those seasoned in years and unable to travel, and some were blind, while others were of poor health and needed cared for.
- 9 And it came to pass that since the families did not agree amongst themselves, Jared gave them a few moments during Sunday School class to confer one with another, considering all that was before them, knowing full well that if they went, they would be leaving family and friends behind to never be seen again.
- 10 And it came to pass they that decided to go, did board the vessels and embarked upon a one way journey to the promised land.

**The End**

**Calculate the population as follows:**

**Chapt. 3:23**

Jared's children = 12  
 Brother of Jared's children = 22

Average number of children =  $(12+22=34 \div 2=)$  17 children per family

**Chapt. 3:18**

Total number of additional families  
 (friends, men only numbered) = 22

Numbers = 24 families = 48 adults  
 17 children per family = 408 children

- a. Time for migration - between 12-20 yr. to cross 4000 miles  
 see page 25 of note book.
  - b. Four years at sea shore before beginning construction of barges,  
 see Eth 1:37.
  - c. At least 4 years to construct 8 vessels.
- Total time as much as 28 yr.**

Additional numbers, 408 children grew up then paired up to make  
 204 new families.

**Calculates their children:**

204 families producing 1/2 as many children, (for shorter times sake),  
 the average number of children would be 8 per family.

total 3rd generation =  $(204 \times 8=)$  1632

<b><u>Estimate of the Population:</u></b>	1st generation	<u>48</u>	Adults
	2nd generation	<u>408</u>	Children
	3rd generation	<u>1632</u>	Grandchildren
	<b>Total =</b>	<u>2088</u>	

**Is this a reasonable estimate for procreation? Refer to Appendix D**

**Make an educated guess based on conditions, human nature, and our vote.**

2/3's died or stayed behind  
 1/3 embarked on the voyage  $(2088 \div 3 = 696)$   
 Total 696 going on the journey of a lifetime.

Divide by 8 barges = 87 per barge plus animals and luggage.  
 (344 days) 2nd generation if everyone goes

6'x6' area per person = 3132 sq. ft. **43**  
 Barge 80'x40' = 3200 sq ft - if EVERY one goes 2'x2' per person  
 10'x10' area per person = 8700 sq ft \* Sizes do NOT provide for  
 Barge 110'x 80' = 8800 sq ft. animals or food storage, hole in bottom  
 2 Floor (level) may to keep light upon the water.

**They set forth in their vessels driven by the wind, commending themselves to God since they had no personal control over the vessel.**

**Vrs. 6 - 14 -** Chart on Jaredite migration work sheet.

**Vrs. 6 - 7 - "Lord caused a furious wind to blow"**

**Question - Why did God cause the wind to blow?**

**Answer -** (see Vrs 13) "They were driven forth" No mention of  
Sails on the vessels therefore, the boat drifting with  
the currents caused the vessels to move towards  
the promised land.

**The weather report of the trip:**

VRS 6 - Furious wind tossed up on the waves, Buried in depths  
VRS 7 - Mountain waves Broke upon them Terrible  
Tempests caused by fierceness of the wind  
VRS 8 - Buried in the deep  
VRS 9 - encompassed by many waters  
VRS 10 - Winds never ceased to blow

**Question - Why did God cause the conditions to be so bad for the trip?**

**Answer - See Appendix E**

Free floating vessels travel with ocean currents  
which are determine by the winds strength,  
velocity, and direction - The Lord provided the  
winds to drive them to the promised land - was a gift from God

**Vrs. 7 - 9, 12 - God keeps his word that was given earlier.**

**"... ye shall be as a whale in the midst of the sea; for the mountain waves shall dash upon you. Nevertheless, I will bring you up again from the depths of the sea... And behold, I prepare against these things; for howbeit, ye can not cross this deep, save I prepare you against the waves of the sea, and the winds that have gone forth, and the floods which shall come." Eth 1:56-58**

**"And thus the Lord caused the stones to shine in the darkness, to give unto them light unto men, women and children, that they might not cross the great waters in darkness." Eth. 3:3**

VRS 7 - "They were many times buried" VRS 8 - They were  
buried, they were tight" VRS 9 - They were encompassed  
VRS 12 - They were driven forth, They did have light  
Continually.

Demonstration  
1:10 11 fill

(Alate Lib)  
Exciting times Sea Sickness - also said  
VRS 1:58 I Shall Prepare you against the waves (Panic)

**Lesson - Lord always Prepares the way for you to accomplish what he asked you to do with what you have.**

Vrs. 11 - The peoples response to the adverse conditions.

1st - They Sang Praises to God and Gave  
Thanks all day long.

Lesson Should have such Joy in us when following  
Gods Will - Has a Song in our heart - us to worship

see: Ps. 13:6 I will sing unto lord - Because he dealt Bountifully

Ps. 21:13 Lord is my strength, we will sing and praise thy Power

Eph. 5:18-21 Speaking in Psalms and hymns and spiritual  
Songs, Singing & Making Melody unto God

James 5:13 Any Merry Let him sing Psalms

2nd - They Praised God without Ceasing.

Lesson Endure to the end, even when  
the Tempest of life toss you around.

See: Acts 12:5-6 Prayer was made without Ceasing by  
The church unto God for him

Rm. 1:9 I serve in my spirit in the gospel of his  
son, that without ceasing I make mention of you always.

1Thes. 1:3 Remembering without ceasing your works  
of faith

1Thes. 2:13 For this cause also thank we God without  
ceasing...

1Thes. 5:17,18 Pray without ceasing, In everything  
give thanks - for this is the will of God

2Tim. 1:3 I thank God whom I serve... that without  
ceasing I have remembrance of thee in my prayers...

Vrs. 12 "They were driven forth"

The currents, driven by the wind - causing the water mass carrying the vessels to push toward the promised land

**Question:** What do we know about the direction of Ocean Currents?

**Answer:** See **Appendix F** for reference information.

The Lord has set a constant circulation of currents, that move clockwise in the Northern Hemisphere. With increased wind velocity - currents accelerated

Vrs. 13 The time that it took for the Journey is documented.

**"They were driven forth, three hundred and forty and four days upon the water."**

**Question:** Is this time frame for making this journey across the sea excessive?  
This seems to be a major point of criticism amongst Book of Mormon skeptics.

**Answer:** Refer to **Appendix G** for information.

according to the experiences of others riding the currents on the same ocean, The Jaredites made remarkable speed as opposed to excessive speed. God surely was with them and blessed them.

Vrs. 13 They survived the voyage and arrived at the promised land as the Lord promised. "And they did land upon the shore of the promised."

Considering what we have learned, regarding their migration (departure point), and the currents that drove them to the promised land and deposited them. Determine the landing spot of the Jaredite people.

Chart course on Map 3 - AND DOCUMENT ON Migration Work Sheet

**Question:** Is there any other facts that would support this location.

**Answer:** A culture known as the Olmec began their existence in the Americas during the same time period that the Jaredites were to have arrived, as well as they can be tracked migrating in same directions. There seems to be many similarities between the Olmec and the Chinese, which is where the Jaredites launched forth from on their journey.

## What do we know about the Olmec?

**Arrival of the Olmec** It was agreed that the Olmec Culture was the first big group to inhabit, and are considered the Mother Culture of Mesoamerica. They believe that they existed from 1200 BC to 400 BC, and it did not continue into the Classic Period. They are considered mysterious of who they were, where they came from and what happened to them, most mysterious is the fact that they appeared to be a fully formed and well organized culture from the very start as if transplanted there from somewhere else. As for the dates relating to our Jaredite group which left the Tower of Babel about 2200-2000 BC, then made their trek half way across the world would seem to still place them in the Americas earlier than 1200 BC. Arrival of the Olmec. Archaeology first discovered the Olmec and studied them in the Olmec Cities, La Venta and San Lorenzo, located in the Olmec Heartland. They believed that was where they originated, being on the East Coast. In Spring 1986 they discovered an archaeological site of the Olmec in the mountains southwest of Cuernavaca, Mex. dating 1500 BC. This means they existed much earlier than believed and began on the West Coast.

Frank Waters  
"Meso Mystiq"

Author  
From Timbule  
"update on  
Copoleo"

See Appendix H - ARRIVAL on WEST COAST (Pacific side) as our MAP shows also.

**Disappearance/Destruction** The Mysterious Mayan, 1977 published by National Geographic, "Almost as suddenly as they appeared, the Olmec vanished around 400 BC."

According to Michael D. Coe, author of "The Maya" "Like the earlier San Lorenzo, La Venta was deliberately destroyed in ancient times. It's fall was certainly violent, as 24 out of 40 sculptured monuments were intentionally mutilated. This probably occurred at the end of Middle Formative times, around 400-300 BC..." See ETH 6:21, 27, 53, 61

Coe also declared that discoveries opened up the possibility that the Olmec themselves were responsible for their own destruction.

per Dr. I. Bernal "When the culture we have been describing disappeared, it left an immense legacy which was to be one of the main columns upon which the great civilizations of later times was built. With the end of the Olmec Period III, Olmec culture terminated and the area in which it flourished was never again to be of any importance. What had been the great cultural nucleus became a marginal zone. From this time on it was to contribute nothing to the cultural history of Mesoamerican civilization."

Bernal went on to say that with the final collapse of the Olmec world, that early civilization disappeared. A new people from the South, who brought new pottery style, new architecture and a new religion, moved into the land Northward - Just as the Book of Mos 5:60, 61 - left land of Nephi moved Northward looking for land of Zarahemla

see Ether 1:31 "Who soever shall possess it, shall serve God, or be swept off."

dates how  
using Secret  
inaction instead  
God.



Moved  
west to east

**Appearance:** They have found 15 Sculpted Heads (Such as Pictured on front cover). They are as tall as 11 feet high. According to Nov 1993 National Geographic - They have Found wooden Sculptures Buried in El Manati. They depict a people with slanted eyes, thick lips, pear shaped heads, Giving the appearance of Chinese.

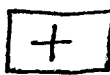
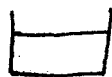
**Their writings/ art work**

Typical Olmec pottery includes bowls which have a common design known as The Scroll-wing motif. Per Gordon in Marguerite E. Kholm (1974) The scroll-wing motif is found in both Shang Civilization of China (1700-1100 BC) and the Olmec Civilization of Mes. America. which gives evidence of trans-pacific contact. See ARTICAL - ARIZ Republic. It has no real basis in nature, cannot argue the design was independently invented.

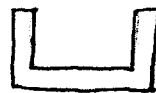


**Comparison of Shang writing and Olmec symbols**

(Shang)



(Olmec)



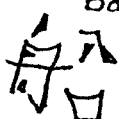



**Other note worthy points:**

The Approximate time of the origin of the Chinese is 2500 BC. The original religion of the ancient Chinese at the time when the written language was being formulated was monotheistic in nature. They had no idols, no mythology, but worshiped a single Supreme Ruler of heaven.

THERE is also writings that reflect: Boat = Vessel, Eight, PERSONS

Must decide - Either the Jaredites met them in China and were influenced, or the Chinese are the ancestors to the Olmec (Jaredites) that stayed behind

SEE APPENDIX I

-  Boat
-  Vessel
-  eight
-  Pers.

**vrs 14- 1st order of events after disembarking.**

THANKS/Praise - For the Blessings of a Safe trip  
For keeping all his promises to them  
For hearing their prayers (v. 13)

**Attitude of the People -** "AND Did Humble themselves"

**Why that attitude? Is it necessary or proper?**

**Answer -**

**Ps 9:12** "He forgets not the cry of the Humble"

**James 4:6** God resisteth the proud, but giveth  
grace unto the Humble

**1 Peter 5:5** Resisteth the proud, but giveth grace  
unto the Humble

**Micah 6:8** What doeth the Lord require of thee but to  
do justly, love mercy, And walk Humbly with thy God.

**Definition =** Humility; Low in Rank  
unpretentious

**What lesson we can learn and that the Jaredites must have known;**

They were in knowledge they were unworthy for all  
the blessings already received. Knowledge it was not  
by their skill or abilities that got them there, and they  
are still dependent on him, desire that he not forget them.

**vrs 15 - 2nd order of events after disembarking.**

**Back to work -** "Went forth and began to till the land"

**Why?**

**Gen 3:19** "By the Sweat of Your Brow"  
They were fulfilling Gods decree, Man must work.

**Lesson Learned;**

Even with the blessings of God upon them and delivered  
them to a "Promised Land" It was not a Garden of Eden,  
They still worked & labored in order to eat.  
I Believe need to labor/work in Zion, as well as Praise God and  
remain humble if we are allowed to be there. Zion = Gods Condition NOT OURS.

vrs 19 - taught to walk humbly -

- 1 - TAUGHT to walk humbly - something told by teachers - willingly accept
- 2 - TAUGHT from on high - revelation, inspiration from God

vrs 20 - Moved out from landing point. Spread out - NOT moving as a  
single group but going different locations - establishing  
cities around the area that can be located today.

vrs 21-24 The Jaredite leaders growing old.  
They inquired the will of the people. Many years have past. Jared  
had been their leader, but he soon would be gone.

## VRS 25 - 46 THE JAREDITES ANOINT THEIR 1ST KING

### Key facts in the story:

Vrs 25 - People desire to appoint a king, from the sons of Jared or his Brother  
(per vrs 16,23)

	total Number	Number of boys	Names
Jared's children	<u>12</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Jacom, Gilgah, Mahah, Orihah</u>
Brother of Jared	<u>22</u>	<u>"all the brothers"</u> <u>more than 1</u>	<u>Pagag ???</u>

Vrs 26-27 Jared and the Brother of Jared felt it was a bad idea to have a king.

Why was it a problem? They believed this would bring the  
people into captivity.  
How would they know? - Revelation from  
God or remembered the conditions under  
a King (Abimelech) at the time of the tower.  
Thought into a powerful King that is wicked.

Is there a better alternative?

see 2Ne. 4:26-29

Nephi desired to Rule by teaching the  
people. Democratic Society possible  
Solution.

vrs 28 - An agreement is made. They will have a King Appointed from among the Sons that are willing

vrs 29-33 - through the process of elimination the king is determined.

1st request 1st Born Son of Bro. of Jared - Then his brothers in age order.

2nd request Sons of Jared (Elders to Youngest)

MUST have 1st Brother of Jared as the Leader

King's name Youngest Son of Jared, Orihah agreed to be King.

vrs 34-38 - The condition under the new king. Humble before God,

Taught the people about the Lord.

executed judgement in righteousness.\*

(Decisions Based on Facts NOT Prejudice or Favoritism)

\* Straight, Uprightness, that are equal.

vrs 39-40 - A new king is born. ORIHAI begat Kib - Kib became

King, Kib begat Corihor

vrs 41 - The worries of Jared and the Brother of Jared are beginning to unfold.

Corihor Rebelled against his Father Kib the King.

He had a following of other Rebellious People.

They desired to TAKE over the Kingdom.

vrs 42-46 - The fulfillment of there forefathers, (Jared and Brother of Jared) worries.

King (Kib) is TAKEN CAPTIVE AND became unable to rule,

Although he had some freedoms because he begat a Son,

Shule, while the Kingdom was under Corihors Control.

Shule (taking time to grow up) Rebelled against Corihor, his brother.

final results: Shule retack the Kingdom from his brother Corihor

and returned it to his Father Kib. Their

Captivity of Many years came to an end.

(Vrs 43) Editorial comment by Moroni to help understand the location of the land of Moron.

**Question** - Where is the Land called Desolation by the Nephites?

**Answer** - See Alma 13:69-75, Hel 2:3-6, Morm 1:69, maps 1 and A2

A land on the North border of the Land Bountiful.

Found that it had a people that had been destroyed leaving the

land covered with bones. Also Area without timber because of

great numbers, an area of great destruction of the people.

A Land by narrow Pass which led into the Land

Southward.

Common place in land of

Summer is that time to elect 51

King - Not always from eldest son

Many times younger - Consistent w/ BofJ

## VRS. 47 - 57 A New King reigns Over the People (Shule)

Key facts in story:

### Vrs. 50 - A change of heart.

Corihor Repented of his evil doings- What he did was not unpardonable- (The only unpardonable/sin- Denial of the Holy Ghost)- HAVE a proper attitude of the offended- Forgive- Restored respect & trust.

### Vrs. 50 - Corihor receives power, this time by authority.

Now has a partial control and powers- Possibly a Governor over an area or General over a group.

### Vrs. 51-52 - Generations continue:

ORINAH begat Kib; Kib begat Shule & Corihor;  
Corihor begat several Sons including Noah.

### Vrs. 53 - Rebellion continues:

Noah rebelled against the Authority, being his Uncle Shule.

### Lesson to Learn : "YOU REAP WHAT YOU SOW"

EVEN though Corihor repented, his actions/influence had an effect on generations to come. OFTEN what we have sown comes back to life even if we change our ways.

GEN 27: 1-33- deceived his father - stole his brothers Birth right  
GEN 29: 1-7, 18-25 The bride he desired was not given- he was deceived.  
Gal 6: 7 Be not deceived- what ever a man sows, that shall he also reap

### Vrs. 54 - Noah took control of a partial of land.

Where is this location? (see Eth 3:13,14)

Shore of the Promised Land, AREA WHERE They Landed and most likely farmed the first few years.

### Vrs. 55 - The prophecy of the Brother of Jared, again comes to life.

The ruler is taken into captivity

### Vrs. 56-57 - Another overthrow attempt, this time defeated.

Noah overthrown and killed but his influence continues with his sons who are in pursuit of Power through rebellion over authority.

## Vrs. 58-64 The People (Kingdom) Becomes Divided

### Good Group

Shule  
"

### Wicked Group

Noah  
Cohor

Key points:

### Vrs. 60 Cohor named his son Nimrod

Name comes from - The leader at the tower of Babel. Refer to notes on page 20 of Note Book.  
Apparently Cohor wanted Nimrod to carry on with his rebellion against Shule.

Nimrod Means - "Let us Rebel"

Vrs. 60 Nimrod steps out of the family way. "Give the Kingdom of Cohor unto Shule"

Lesson: (1) a Good Person can come out of a bad family.

(2) Everyone is responsible for their own actions & decisions.

(3) Can not Blame Parents for the way you are. It is OK to Think for Yourself.

See - Jeremiah 31:29,30 No more, our fathers have eaten sour grapes, children teeth...  
But everyone shall die for his own iniquity. Every man that eateth the sour Grape, his teeth shall be set on edge.

Ezekiel 18:1,2,19,20 Proverb - our fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the childrens teeth are set on edge.  
The son shall not bear the iniquity of the father.

Vrs. 61 Wicked people still remain These people that were influenced by Noah and Cohor still remain. The damage is done.

Vrs. 61-64 God still loves the people. Sent out prophets to call the people back and out of their wicked ways.

Why did he send them out?

Answer: Warn the people of a curse upon the land and they would be destroyed, It's not too late if they repent.

See Alma 3:57 Invitation unto all - Repent He will receive you.

**Vrs. 61 Prophets warned that they will be destroyed if they do not repent.**

**Question:** Are there consequences of not listening to a Prophet?

**Answer:** Cursed of God, even destroyed

see Jeremiah 26:5-7 "MAKE city a Curse to all  
The Nations"

**Consequences of not repenting:**

Jac. 2:51 "Their Land is Cursed"

Alma 7:13,14 "destroyed off the face of EARTH"

Alma 8:33,34 "ferce anger, Pestilence & Famine"

Alma 19:96, 104-106 "Justice claimeth the Creature."

Alma ~~18~~<sup>16</sup>:228-230 Night will Come, be too late to repent."

1Ne 3:210-216 "brought to captivity and destruction"

Hel 3:30 "ye shall perish"

Mi. 9:3-5 "spirit Stop striving with them"

Mos. 11:141 "Not Repent, Not numbered among his people."

Rev 2:5,16 "Lord Come quickly, remove from his presence."

**Results of Repentance:**

Mi. 6:8 "As often As they Repented - were forgiven"

Mos. 11:139 "As often as repent shall be forgiven."

**Vrs.64 The wicked heard the words of the prophets.**

"And the People did repent of their iniquities  
and idolatries, the Lord did spare them".  
caused them to prosper instead of being destroyed.

**VRS. 65-76 The Kingdom Changes Hands/ Rebellion Continues**

Kings: Shule 1) Reigns in Peace  
2) Recalls history of his forefathers / Their Blessings  
3) HAD SON- OMER

Omer 1) Reigned in the stead of his Father Shule.  
2) Has Sons & Daughters including Jared, Esrom and Coiantum

**Kingdom divided into half**

**The Good**

**The Wicked**

Omer  
Esrom Coiantum

Jared

Vrs. 70 - Jared gains the following of 1/2 the people. Using  
the devices of "Cunning words and  
Flattery" to cause people to follow him.

- 1st - Flattering the people.
- 2nd - Cunning words.

Per: **Funk and Wagnalls Standard Desk Dictionary (Volume 1)**

**Flattery / Flatter** An overly Complimentary Remark, to  
Praise excessively without Sincerity, To Try and gain  
favor by Praising. To Play upon the Hopes or  
Vanity of People

How does that effect people? Human nature to enjoy Praise;  
tend to stay near people/groups that tell them what they  
want to hear, make feel good. 2Tim 4:3

**Cunning** Skill in deception, Craftiness,  
Crafty or Shrewd.

Satan uses the same devices to gain follows to His Kingdom.

See 2Ne. 12:23-28 Cunning- Skillful lies about that which People  
fear- No Hell - No Devil Flattery Pasify  
Lull into sense of Security - what your doing is ok,

Demonstration of it happening: Jews Seminar - Jesus Didnt Say  
Boomer Church - Jesus Didnt Say  
55  
Politicians Politically Correct - Issues



**Vrs 71-72 Rebellion continues in the kingdom and the words of The Brother of Jared, ("surely, this thing leadeth into captivity." Eth. 3:27), again comes to pass.**

1. What happened to Omer, the king? His Son Jared, Carried him away and held him in Captivity.
2. How long did he live in captivity? ONE HALF of the days of his life, again, in a matter of a few verses, we have as many as 30 or more years.
3. What was he forced to do while captive? To Serve Jared, The Very Person who overthrew him.

**Vrs 73-74 During Omer's days of captivity he had a certain degree of freedom, thus, son were born.**

1. Sons names? Eskom and Coriantumr.
2. What did the sons do with their time? Spent years growing up, then established an army force..
3. What transpired? ERSOM and Coriantumr Took their Army and gave Battle to Jared and his Kingdom, over throwing them.

**Vrs 75-76 The battle takes place against Jared's followers and the army of Omer's sons.**

1. What was the final outcome of the battle? They slain the Army of Jared.
2. What happened to the defeated? The Army was slain and Jared was released after he pled that they would not kill him.

**Vrs. 77 - 102 Jared relents over the loss of the kingdom, and a new conspiracy is developed to regain it back to his control. The tool used is the "secret combinations of old".**

1. Jared's sorrow is not unique to him or to his generation, for it began in the Garden of Eden, and was addressed to the people at the time of Christ and the Apostles and continues to exist today.

a. (Vrs 77), What is the root of Jared's sorrow? His heart was set upon the riches and power the world had to offer.

b. What do the scriptures tell us about this type of motivation?

(after each reference paraphrase it's message in your own words)

- 1) Matt. 16:26, Mk. 8:36, What shall it profit a man if he shall gain the whole world and lose his soul.
- 2) Lk. 9:25 What would it advantage if he gain the whole world and lose himself, or be cast away.
- 3) Matt. 13:22, Mk. 4:19 The cares of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, he becometh unfruitful.
- 4) Lk. 12:34 For where your treasure is there will your heart be also.
- 5) Rm. 12:2 Be not conformed to this world, but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind.
- 6) 1Cor. 5:10 Not company with fornicators of this world, covetous, extortioners, idolaters for they need go out of the world.
- 7) 1Cor. 11:32 We should not be condemned with the world.
- 8) Jm. 4:4 Friendship of the world is enmity with God: Friend with world is the enemy of God.
- 9) 1Ne. 7:49,50 Kingdom of devil shall be built among the children. Churches built to get gain, popular in eyes of world, do all manner of iniquity.
- 10) Mos. 11:198,199 Those who live without God in the world, judgement of an everlasting punishment is just upon them.

Summery statement Those who seek the riches of the world are forsaking God and eternal life. Jared was therefore an enemy of God.

**2. The daughter of Jared conjures up the plan to take back the kingdom.**

a.) (Vrs 78,79) She is described as:

1. exceeding fair Pretty Pleasing to look at, desirable
2. Exceeding expert Seduction, influence

**\* this type of expertise is as old as mankind and used throughout the generations.**

Gen 3:6 Saw the worldly qualities - Convinced her husband to join her.  
Judges 16:16 (Sampson/Delilah) She pressed him daily with words, urged him.

**\* Solomon explains it and warns his son about this .**

Prov 5:1-9 Lips Like honeycomb (Sweet) Smooth as oil  
(Pleasing) The end is as worm wood (Death) Sward  
(Deadly) Her ways unstable see 2Tim 2:22

b.) (Vrs 80) What record is she referring her father to?

see Eth 1:2-4 Portion of the record that contains records  
of Creation, Adam & EVE, Tower - we call it Genesis

c.) (Vrs 81) What was contained in this record? Secret plans that  
told how to obtain Power & Kingdoms  
that per Vrs 89 was developed by Cain.

(Vrs 91) Jared searched up these things of old contained in the record, that taught him the secrets to regain power. (In your own words summarize what Jared and his daughter conspired to do, in order to regain power the Kingdom. See Vrs 82 -89)

Jared's daughter would entice Akish, with sexual advances.  
After Akish desires her, she EXTORTS him, demanding that he  
kill his friend OMER, The king, first  
Jared prepares a plan and educates Akish with the  
secret combinations of old. Akish others to help them  
their lives are threatened if they ever reveal  
the secret plans and oaths. The conspiracy for murder is complete.

The same tools used by Satan to causes the down fall of man from the beginning was developed in this plan, being the weaknesses and lusts of the flesh.

Prov 6:24-29 Flattery of the tongue, LUST not after  
her beauty - Keep away from Evil Woman

Jm. 1:14-15 EVERY man tempted by his own lusts, LUST  
conceived bringeth Sin, Sin bringeth Death.

Lusts of the flesh is what Satan tempted Christ with: Creature Comforts, (Bread)  
Power (Promised World) Popularity (show Sensational, eye Pleasing)

Lust, downfall at the garden: Wanted the knowledge. (Power)  
Food (Creature Comforts) Pleasant to eyes (Popular thing to have)

## "Secret Plans and Combinations" used by Akish

A. The Oath (vr.86) Faithful to the things AKish Asks.

B. Swear to the Oath (vr. 87) Will Not Vary from AKish orders

C. Security (vr.88) Anyone Varies, or tells the Plan - Dies

What can we find out about these, "Secret Oath and Combinations"?

(Moroni inserts editorial comments into the record, Vrs. 94-102, speaking on these things)

A.. It's conception: (vr. 89) From the beginning of time,  
STARTING with Cain.

(Gen. 4:1-10) Cain murderer VRS 8 - Jealousy  
Cain Liar VRS 9 - Sought Advancement - Putting Abel down

B. The Author: (vr. 90, 101, 2Ne 11:93) Satan the devil, the  
original Liar.

C. It's Purpose: (vr. 90, 95, 96, 99, Hd 1:44) To gain Power, over-throw  
The freedoms of all Lands,, Nations and  
Countries. Hel 3:1-3

D. The Elements: (vr 90, 96, Hd 1:44, Hd 2:140-167)

1. Delivered by Power of Devil VRS 90
2. Murder VRS 90
3. Plunder VRS 90
4. Wickedness Hel 1:44 / Law Breakers VRS 148
5. Robbery Hel 1:44
7. Whoredoms Hel 2:140-167
8. Conspiracy - Preterit from Justice Hel 2

E. Results: (vr. 97) "Sword of Justice fall upon Them"  
(vr. 101) "Hard Hearts"  
(Hel 2:167) "everlasting destruction"  
(Hel 2:158) Turn from God unto Idols"

F. What Generations possessed these?: (vr. 94) "All Generations"

G. Lord's view: (vr. 92, 3Ne 2:89) It is most abominable  
and wicked above all

Vrs. 102 - Moroni tells why he told us about these secrets. "That Evil  
MAY be done away with"

What is he referring to? The Condition of Zion  
(see 2 Ne. 7:20-25) For This Cause (Zion) Must destroy Secret works of Darkness

End of Chapter 3

# Chapter 4

## VRS. 1 Proceed with the record

Moroni concludes his editorial comments on the nature, evil, and consequences of man and societies involvement with secret combinations, and he now continues with the story of the Jaredite people.

## VRS. 2,3 Shift in power. The takeover was by default.

Because of the conspiracy to kill Omer in order to take over the kingdom, Omer departs his throne, leaving it vacant for Jared to step in.

**Question:** What defeated the Secret Plans and Combinations?

**Answer:** God, who knows all things, was able to see that Omer would be overthrown in the conspiracy. God protected his servant and warned him in a dream.

**Romans 8:31** "If God be for us, who can be against us"

**Question:** What did Omer and his family do?

**Answer:** Migrated out of the area, fleeing before his life could be taken.

**Question:** Where is this Hill Shim, that Moroni had a knowledge of?

**Answer:** (refer to Mormon 1:1-4)

Name given according to the knowledge of Moroni, NOT named by Jaredites as such. Telling something known, to show its location.

This Hill is where Moroni's Father, Mormon, obtained the plates called The Book of Mormon.

## VRS. 4 Jaredite people (Olmec) forced to move, and the direction of their migration is documented.

**Question:** Where was this place, Moroni said the Nephites were destroyed?

**Answer:** (refer to **Mormon 3:1-17**) again, given according to the knowledge of Moroni, to indicate same locations as other events

Ironically this would seem to be a long ways from Mt. Hill Camorab Explanation- Discussed in Detail in Notes-Chart 6:53

**Question:** From where did they start?

**Answer:** (refer to **Ether 3:54, Ether 3:13,14**)

From the Land of their first inheritance or appx. The area in which their fore-father first landed on this Promised Land. "West Coast" per previous investigation.

**Question:** How long did they travel?

**Answer:** Per VRS 3, ~~for~~ Many days they made their journey. This could be 3 days, weeks/months, up to a year. Jaredite Voyage "many days" (344)

**Question:** What direction did they travel?

**Answer:** From WEST to the EAST. Gives credence that they landed on West Coast, otherwise they would be going into the Caribbean Sea.

**Question:** What can we find about the Olmec culture that would support this?

**Answer:** A large number of the Olmec cities are located along this West to EAST line from arrival point to sea shore.

### **Chart Course on Map 1**

### **Document on Migration Worksheet**

**VRS. 5 Through their evil ways, Jared and Akish gain what they were after.**

Akish got Jared's daughter to be his wife, and Jared regained the power of the Kingdom.

**Vrs. 6,7 The throne changes hands. Jared's plan turns against him.**

**Question:** How did Jared lose the throne?

**Answer:** Jared is killed and overthrown by the very person and powers that he used to gain the throne. It is never safe when you conspire with the evil works of darkness. Akish now in power - Moral of story: Teach someone evil ways then you always have to watch out for them afterwards. It never stops "You Reap what You Sow"

**Vrs. 8 No peace for Akish**

**Question:** What is Akish's state of mind after partaking in such evil plots for power?

**Answer:** Paranoid about the possibility of losing his power. His son was probably personable and had many friends, therefore Akish feared he would use force to overthrow him and take kingdom as he did to his friend Omer.  
(see 1 John 4:18) "There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear, fear has torment"

**Vrs. 9 A flight to safety.**

**Question:** Who fled in fear of his life?

**Answer:** Nimrah, son of Akish, brother of the murdered son of Akish, because he was angry, probably thought he would be next.

**Question:** Where did he flee to?

**Answer:** Went to join Omer, the overthrown king of the AREA that left after being warned by God in a dream. - Now dwelling on the East Coast

**Question:** What might this suggest about Omer's location?

**Answer:** That Omer's location is close enough to the area that Nimrah was able to locate them in a relatively short time.

**Vrs 10-13 Wars and power struggles continue in the land.**

(give a brief account of who is fighting who) Akish's sons, all having been schooled in the idea of seizing power by force, and the tools of Satan

**Question:** What was the final result?

**Answer:** Fought each other until all were destroyed

(See James 1:15) "Lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin; and when sin is finished; bringeth forth death."

**Vrs. 14** Omer restored to power.

All of his enemies had murdered each other,  
leaving the area vacated for him to return to land.

**Vrs. 15** Omer's son appointed to be the next king.

Question: What was his name?

Answer: EMER appointed to be the next king.

**Vrs. 16** Omer dies.

Two years after anointing Emer to be King.

Possibly that is when Emer began his reign.

Question: What was his life of righteousness like?

Answer: Full of Sorrow. Persecuted by the wicked,  
held in bondage and captivity, chased out of  
his home Ran for his life. - Lost his son & grandchildren  
and people destroy themselves.

**Vrs. 17, 18** The curse of the land is lifted

Question: What was the curse?

Answer: (see Ether 1:29, 31, Ether 4:22) Those who possess the land  
will be destroyed if they are ripe in iniquity and  
do not serve the Lord. We find mass destruction of wicked.

Question: How did this curse affect the people?

Answer: (see vrs 10-13) The people fought against each  
other, brother against brother until every  
one was dead, no one gained what he battled for.

**Vrs. 19- 22** They began to prosper in the land.

Question: what caused them to obtain these treasures?

Answer: (see 1 Ne 5:217, 2 Ne 4:21-26) The Natural Elements were  
present in this promised land, however during war  
they could not work the materials. Live in peace,  
diligently labor, be industrious, can obtain these treasures.

Question: What about, Horses, Cureloms and Cumoms?

Answer: Horses (see 1 Ne. 5:216) When Nephi Arrived they found them  
still here. May have been indigenous Horse found on side of Temple  
in Chichaniza

Elephants, Cureloms & Cumoms (See APPENDIX I) Very possibly they  
could have been these extinct mammals recently  
found. AN ELEPHANT look very much like a mammoth,  
Other names we may not recognize as such.

Great usefulness? These were beasts of burden. Useful  
to carry loads, pulling, riding.



**Vrs. 23,24 A Leadership Change takes place.**

EMER, The King, has sons and daughters, including Coriantum, Coriantum is anointed to be King and reigned in the stead of his father

**Vrs. 25 Coriantum's Reign**

Question: What kind of king was he?

Answer: Walked in Righteousness, as his father did

Question: what was the results of this type of leadership?

Answer: Prospered to the point that they grew and spread out, building strong/mighty cities.

**Vrs. 26-28 Coriatum grows old during his reign./ A hint at how long the people lived.**

Coriantum's wife - Grows old and dies at age of 102 years  
Coriatum - took a new wife after his wife died.  
Had children with new wife, then he died at age of 142 years.

**Vrs. 29 Another leadership change takes place in the land**

Coriantum's son, Com, Reigns in his stead, and has sons and daughters.

The new king has a son: The son Heth is born to Com after he reigned for 49 yrs.

**Vrs. 30,31 Wickedness returns to the kingdom. / Another overthrow of power takes place.**

Com's son Heth, Leaves the ways of righteousness and adopts the secret combinations. As before murder plays a big part, in which Heth murders the King, Com, his father.

**Vrs. 32 The land is full of wickedness**

The Lord warns the people. (just as he did in Etk 3:61-64) The Lord sees their wickedness, sent prophets to warn them of judgement, as he did in days of Nimrod & Cober

**Question:** Where did these prophets come from?

**Answer:** From another group of people. They were more spread out than we tend to believe. We are only looking at one group of people.

**Question:** What did the prophets call the people to do?

**Answer:** Repent of their sins, and change wicked ways.

**Question:** What did they warn the people of/ the motive for the people to listen?

**Answer:** If they do not repent, a curse will come upon the land. A great famine and all will be destroyed.

This should have not come as a surprise to the people, (see **Ether 4:22**)

When **Emor** began his righteous reign again the Lord told the people that the land was blessed if they serve him, but he would curse them/destroy them when/if they became ripe in iniquity.

**Vrs. 33,34** The people reject the prophets 2Kings 18:12 <sup>Israel's Problem</sup>

They ignored the cry of repentance.  
Ignored or disbelieved the threat of the curse.  
Followed the evil ways of King **Heth**.

**Vrs. 35** The Prophecy comes about, they rejected the warning

The curse: #1 A Great Dearth "Famine"  
#2 Poisonous Serpents

**Vrs. 36** Migration takes place, because of the curse

moved southward, towards land known to Moroni by the Nephite name **Zarahemla**.

**Question:** Where is this location, Moroni is describing?

**Answer:** (refer to map 1)

South of the narrow neck which separates the land northward from the land southward.

**Document migration on Worksheet**

**Chart On Map #1**

## Vrs. 37-39 The effects the serpents had on the people

- vrs 37. Many Perish- others fled the area.  
vrs 39 Killed Their Livestock, which was part of God's Blessings to the people, Forced to eat dead animals, Hungry.

## The serpents congregate to stall the migration

**Question:** Where would be a good place for them to be to accomplish this?

**Answer:** The Narrow Neck- Probably a pathway that the journey is easiest- Hedge up the way.

**Question:** Is there any Evidence that supports this account of serpents?

**Answer:** **"COATZACOALCOS,"** (The place of the serpent)

This is the name of a river, which means "Place of the Serpent." This river is located on the isthmus of Tehuantepec, which is located in the narrow neck.

**Question:** Where is this on Map 1?

**Answer:** Document and name "Coatzacoalcos River"

## Vrs 40 God's serpents have a profound effect on the people.

Because of the deaths and hardships, it caused them to return to, and depend on God, as well as to repent of their wicked ways.

God's ways:

They proposed in the land when they returned to righteousness, but iniquity causes God to remove blessings.

3Ne 3:6 There was nothing in all the land to hinder the people from prospering continually, except they should fall into transgression.

2Ne 1:56 - 57  
(Pg 82) Nothing except iniquity, shall disturb their prosperity upon the land, if they keep commandments.

**VRS. 41,42 The famine concludes, The Lord shows his power and the land begins to produce once again.**

**Why the change?** THEY Humbled Themselves Sufficiently,  
indicating that they previously felt no need for God, self  
sufficient in their own strengths and abilities  
(See James 4:10) Humble yourselves And he will lift you up

**How does one become humble?** of low degree (ESTATE) Lowly, in subjection, under,  
Matt 18:4 Humble yourself as a little child (submissive)

Mos 1:118-120 humble, become as little children, submissive,  
meek, humble, patient, full of love, submit to all things  
The Lord sees fit to inflict upon him

1Pet 5:5-6 clothed in humility, God resisteth the proud -  
God shall exalt the humble in due time.

EXALT =  
Raise in status  
Praise

Alma 16:237 Humble yourselves even to the dust  
worship God in whatsoever (STATE) place ye may be in

Alma 5:39 humble - submissive, gentle, easy to be entreated  
full of patience, long suffering, temperate, diligent keeping commandments

Alma 1:29,30 Not Proud in their own eyes, did impart word  
of God freely.

Matt 23:12 He that exalt himself shall be abased, He that shall  
humble himself shall be lifted up

(contrast) Matt 23:13-36 Woe - Hypocrites - Long Prayers (show)  
Pay tithes omit mercy faith, appear righteous  
outside. (VERY Proud - up on themselves - Better than others)

**When should it come?**

Alma 16:133-137 Blessed if compelled to be humble, More  
blessed if humble yourself because of the word.

**What effects will it have?**

Mos 9:153-157 deliver out of afflictions, slow to hear crys  
because of iniquities. (Past)

**A self judgment of humility.**

Alma 3:48,49 If it were time to die - Can you say  
you have been sufficiently humble? Qualities we  
read about, if you answer No - Need to improve your humility

### Vrs. 43 The King Dies

King Heth - Dies in Famine, Starved, Snake Bit?  
This famine was the direct results  
of his wickedness and rebellion.

Heth's Family all Perished in the famine also,  
except one; 'Shez'

### Vrs. 44 Shez Reigns as King - He survive - Because he was the only one who was able to see their problems caused from their own iniquities. "His eyes were opened"

What did he accomplish? Built up a broken people.  
Scattered, weak, poor, humbled.

How did he Reign?

- 1) In righteousness
- 2) Faith and trust in God - Remembering the past
- 3) Credited the blessings of his forefathers to  
The Lord, understanding his too, will come from God.

Vrs. 45 Rebellion returns to the kingdom. The son of Shez,  
also named Shez, attempts rebellion out of  
greed, but dies by the hand of a greedy robber.

Vrs. 46 The people prospered. Many cities built up.  
The people begin to spread out in the land.

### Vrs. 47 Leadership changes once again.

King Shez: Dies at an old age.  
New King: King Shez son, Riplakish reigns in his stead.

### Vrs. 48 The Reign of Riplakish is that of unrighteousness.

His deed of unrighteousness:

- 1) Had many wives and concubines, which  
was not God's will for mankind.

(see Jacob 2:33-39) Will not suffer to be like them of old.  
one wife, no concubines, whoredoms are an abomination.

- Vrs. 49, 50
- 2) Taxed the people unreasonably  
for his own personal gain, and their suffering.
  - 3) Proud, arrogant, self-serving
  - 4) Murderer - murdering those who  
did not prosper enough to pay him.

**VRS.51 Riplakish's reign ends after 42 yrs.**

The People Rise up against him in civil unrest, and killed him, then ran his descendants out of the land, so they could not reign.

**VRS. 52,53 Morianton regains the land.**

**Decendant of:** Riplakish

**Gained power:** by gathering a army, then returning, making war.

**VRS. 54 Morianton becomes the king.**

**Established himself:** Self appointment - by will and power

**Anointed by the people:** eased the peoples burdens - Politically correct - helped people - they were pleased and anointed him to reign.

**VRS. 55,56 The conditions improve under King Morianton.**

1. EASED THE TAXES ON THE PEOPLE - A BETTER LIFE.
2. CITIES BUILT UP - more homes to live in, they became industrious, rich in gold, silver, flocks, grains. (As described earlier)

**What was Morianton's condition?** Improved the conditions for the people. Made them prosper and live industriously - But he choose to walk in personal sin, "whoredoms," he was cut off from God. (Good person concept NOT ENOUGH TO SAVE YOU)

**VRS. 57,58 Leadership change takes place.**

**Morianton dies:** AT old age, possibly because he was fair to the people

**Kim reigns:** Kim is the son of Morianton and reigned 8 years before his fathers death. He reigned in unrighteousness - he too cut off from God. Probably followed example of his father - just with the people - but sinned against God's will, concubines & whoredom

**VRS.59 Rebellion arises again in the kingdom.**

**By who?** The other unnamed brother in BotM, this time the brother of Kim.

**What did he do?** He rebelled against the king, his brother Kim, and held him in captivity.

**Kim has children while in captivity:** Had sons and daughters while in captivity including a son named Levi, died in captivity.

**VRS. 60-62 Levi in captivity.**

When? for 42 yrs after the death of his father  
under his Uncle - (what's his name)

Overthrow of the Kingdom; Levi was against the  
King (his Uncle) and becomes the new King.

Levi's reign; In Righteousness.

The effect of his reign; The people prospered as they did before.

His Descendants; Had Sons and Daughters including  
a Son named Corom, Corom reigned in his Stead.

**VRS. 63 The new king "Corom" reigns.**

How was this king's reign? Reigned in righteousness his  
entire life.

How long did he reign? Reigned until he was of  
old age before he died.

His Children; Had Sons and Daughters including Kish.

Moroni's makes editorial comment; Kish Died Like everybody  
else. in The world does. Unknown why  
he (Moroni) choose to interject this here.

Kish reigns in his stead; After death of father.

**VRS. 64,65 Leadership change in the kingdom.**

Kish; uneventful and insignificant King.  
no mention of anything transpiring or his attitude. Must have been the  
same as the previous King.

Lib; Reigns after death of Kish

Who is Lib? Probably Kish's Son - Although it does not  
tell us that. would seem to be consistent w/ story

What was Lib's reign like? Good in The sight of The Lord,  
and pleasing to God.

## VRS. 66 The curse of serpents is lifted.

Where did they come from?

(Per Vrs. 35) They arrived when the people and King HETH lived in unrighteousness. Then rejected the prophets that warned of a drought. The serpents came with the drought.

What is the significance of this curse being lifted?

(refer to Vrs. 38) The serpents had hedged up the way to the land south of them; which included Bountiful. Land Bountiful had much game for food, but people were unable to take it because the serpents blocked the way.

How long had the serpents been a problem?

Came when HETH was king, lifted when LIB was king. This was 9 generations - Many lived to old age (VRS 26 - Lived 142 yrs) Average 70 between generations equals 630 yrs.

## VRS 67-69 King Lib's accomplishments.

1. Became a skilled hunter
2. Built great cities "By Narrow Neck" (See map)
3. Developed ISI game preserve on American soil

Why was this a good place to build the city? Land south of them was the land Bountiful - Plenty of food & lumber.

According to Map 1 Where might this city be? Just north of Neck - Olmec Civilization - This is the heart of the Olmec culture - Discovered recent

Any other evidence to support this account of a city and its location? (from PPP pg 130-131)

DR. COE'S work with the Olmec has been at the site of San Lorenzo, situated near the center of the isthmus on a branch of the "Coatzacoacos River" (Place of the Serpent). San Lorenzo is located on an artificially formed plateau about 150 feet in height and three quarters of a mile long. The plateau was covered with mounds and monumental stone carvings. Six of the carved basalt heads were found at San Lorenzo, one was over nine feet tall.

Charcoal samples from a dig gave dates from 1200 - 900 BC. - Appears to be built shortly before the city of LA VENTA.



## VRS. 70-79 Prosperity in the land.

A. Population: Land Northward was covered with people  
so there had been a population increase w/ prosperity

evidence; There are many Chinc Cities located  
in this very area

B. Commerce: They bought, sold, trafficked one with  
another, as civilization does today.

purpose; for Profit.

C. Industry:

Mining ore; Gold, Silver, Iron, Copper

Cloth; fine silk (ties to China) fine linen for clothing

Skilled Workmanship; \_\_\_\_\_

a) tool making - For farming Plow - SOW  
Reap, hoe, Thrash sophisticated Agriculture

b) Weapon making- For protection from animals  
for protection - unknown enemies  
For hunting in land bountiful.

c) Curious workmanship- Crafted objects -  
Unique - we find carved  
stone heads in these locations - 6-8' high.

D. Blessed according to God's promise: (see Ether 1:29) The should  
"Come forth even unto a land of Promise,  
Choice above all other lands"

## VRS. 80,81 Change of power in the kingdom

Lib: Lived to old age; has children including  
a son named Hearthom.

Hearthom: Reigned in the stead of his father.  
We can only assume that Lib, at that time or shortly there after.

### VRS. 82,83 Hearthom's Reign Ends

Hearthom was taken into captivity after  
a 34 yr reign. by unknown persons.  
Hearthom died in captivity.

### VRS. 84,85 Generations in Captivity Continue

A) Hearthom	begat	Heth	"Captivity all his life"			
B) Heth	begat	Arrod	"	"	"	"
C) Aarron	begat	Amnigaddah	"	"	"	"
D) Amnigaddah	begat	Cociantum	"	"	"	"
E) Coriantum	begat	Com				

Com's Rebellion: Rebellion against the reigning  
powers that originally took his  
great-great-great-great grandfather into captivity.

### VRS 86,87 Com Overthrows the King.

Draws away half of the kingdom; Apparently not everyone  
was pleased how the kingdom was being  
ran and followed Com in his rebellion

A Split Kingdom; 2 Kings Rule (1) Com (2) Amgid

War ensues against the reigning king;

A) After 42 yrs of Com ruling over  
1/2 the kingdom - Amgid the other half

B) War continued for many years.

C) The other king, Amgid, was overthrown  
then Com controlled the entire kingdom

### VRS. 88- 91 The days of Com's Reign

Robbers; Not everyone was righteous - but out to get gain.  
Oaths; The secret combinations of old rise up again  
Com's Attitude; Fought against the wickedness  
Prophets; Prophesied of great destruction - do not repent  
Com's relationship with the Lord; Prophets looked to Com for  
protection, Com was blessed remainder of his days.

## VRS. 92 A New King

Shiblom; Son of Com, Reigned in his Stead. Com was  
opposed to, and fought against Secret Combinations.  
One could believe Shiblom was also against Wickedness.

## VRS. 92-97 The Kingdom During the Days of Shiblom's Reign.

- 1) Shiblom's brother; Rebelleed against Shiblom and the ways  
of God, causing Problems in the Land.
- 2) Wars; Because of rebellion against the leading  
Power - Exceeding Great Wars in all the Land.
- 3) Prophets; Came and Propheced of the destruction  
of the people, as before, if they do NOT  
repent and change their ways (See Vrs 96)
- 4) Wickedness; People that followed Brother of Shiblom  
so wicked, they killed the prophets that  
tried to warn them.
- 5) Fulfillment of Prophecy; A Great Calamity - Testified  
that the curse of the prophets was coming  
"There was a great destruction  
greater than any they remembered."

## VRS. 98 Example of God's Mercy and Grace to Man

"Door of mercy opened" because? Some saw the need  
to return to God, or be destroyed. "They began"  
to repent of their iniquities (Not all participated)

## VRS 99, 100 A Leadership Change Takes Place

- Shiblom the King; was slain, most likely by those who  
rebelled against his Authority & God.
- Seth; (?) According to Chapt 1 Vrs 6 Seth is  
Shiblom's son - Placed into Captivity to prevent  
him from ruling.
- Ahah Reigns; appear to be son of last mentioned  
person being Seth.  
According to 1:6 that is correct.

## VRS. 101, 102 The Days of Wickedness

Ahah; was wicked in his leadership  
causing much blood shed, and all manner  
of iniquity Ahah did not live long however

Ethem; A descendant to Ahah, Per Eth Lib he is  
a son, also wicked in his leadership  
over the Kingdom.

## VRS. 103 The Prophets Return.

In the days of Ethem; The Reigning Power was wicked.  
and the people were living in wickedness  
although being there were prophets, some  
groups still believed and followed God

Their Purpose; To warn the people, they must  
repent of their misdeeds.

The Prophecy; "THE Lord would utterly  
destroy them, from off the face of  
the EARTH," unless they repent.

This is a complete destruction no  
descendants left to carry on the family.

## VRS. 104 The Prophets words not received.

How did they reject them? Hardened Hearts, not  
willing to believe what they were  
told about impending destruction

Prophets response; (1) were sorrowful "Mourned"  
many people attitude - as Jonah - Good they do so (2) Withrew

(See Matt 10:14) who shall not receive you - not  
hear your words - depart - shake dust from feet

(see Acts 13:50,51) shake dust from their feet against  
them. (separation no further contact)

## VRS. 105, The End of Ethem's Reign.

Ethem Begat; wicked, self-serving ruler - "Judgement in wickedness"  
Maron

**VRS. 106 Moron Reigned**

His reign was; Did That which was wicked before  
The Lord.

**VRS. 107,108 Rebellion rises up again in the Kingdom**

Mighty man Raises up: In Rebellion, against  
The Power of The King to get gain.

Kingdom divided; 1/2 Mighty man of Rebellion  
1/2 Moron maintained

Kingdom reunited; Moron overthrew the mighty man.

**VRS. 109 -114 The Kingdom of Moron overthrown**

Another Mighty Man comes forth; This man was a descendant  
of The brother of Jared

Moron's status; was overthrown by this mighty man,  
put into captivity; The remainder of his days

Moron's son Coriantor Dwelt in captivity all his life,  
which apparently extended past the of his  
father. No mention of if he was wicked or not

In the days of Coriantor; Prophets came, warned The people  
to repent or a great destruction,  
utter destruction denoting complete  
destruction of The Jaredite Civilization.

**VRS. 115 The end of Coriantor's**

His life; - He was born and died in captivity  
however had some Passions. Had children

His descendant; He had a Son Named Ether,  
while he dwelt in captivity.

End of Chapter 4

## Chapter 5

### VRS. 1-5 An Introduction of Two Notable Contemporaries in the Book of Ether.

**Ether;** Born in captivity, being the son of Coriantor, who dwelt his entire life in captivity. Ether although born in captivity had the freedom to diligently fulfill his calling as a prophet.  
According to Ether 1:6 - He (Ether) was the one responsible for recording the record of the Jaredites, thus the book is named Ether.

**Coriantumr;** Was the king of the Jaredites in the days when Ether was prophesying.  
He is known as the last Jaredite, remaining alive after an intense battle, and not knowing Ether was alive also, he left the land and discovered in Zarahemla by the Mulekites, where he lived for 9 years.

(see Omni 1:36,37)

#### The subjects of Ether's, Great and Marvelous, prophecies;

- 1) Believe in God - even to the point of Repentance
- 2) Glorify God by Good works
- 3) obtain Hope - Belief in a better existence with God
- 4) This Hope comes by Faith
- 5) Consequence of not obtaining Hope/Faith - Destruction

**VRS. 6 Moroni temporarily leaves the Jaredite story. He being inspired and prompted by message of Ether, Moroni breaks into a sermon on the same subject of Faith and Hope.**

**Key points of Moroni's Sermon;**

Vrs. 6 Definition of Faith: "Faith is the things which are hoped for and not seen."

Meaning; Points out that it is not a perfect knowledge  
but evidence causes you to believe and have  
hope that it is fact. (Very much like jury duty evidence)

(scriptures) **Heb. 11:1** Faith is The Substance (assurance) of  
Things Hoped for, The Evidence (conviction) of  
Things NOT Seen

**Alma 16:143-163** Faith is NOT A perfect knowledge  
but a seed. IF you plant The seed it  
will grow and increase; as it is watered  
Nurtured.

**VRS. 7-10 There will be a "Trial of Your Faith" before you have a perfect knowledge.**

(scriptures) **Heb 11:17** Abraham was tried when lord  
told him to offer up ISSAC. - Abraham  
was promised that ISSAC seed would be many. yet  
he was told to sacrifice him before he had children.

**James 1: 2-4** Count it all joy when you fall into  
divers Temptations ( Various Trials) knowing  
This is The Trying / Testing of your Faith  
( Helps us to grow in Faith & Gospel - Not remain Babies )

What was the trial of their faith pointed out here? They Heard Prophecies  
of Christ for years although they had not seen  
him only evidence of his birth - had to have faith  
before he would come and they would have knowledge

(see 3 Ne 5)

After a knowledge of Christ, What need for Faith still existed? Now they have  
a knowledge of Christ - must have faith and hope  
of The Heavenly Gifts which they still had  
not yet seen.

**VRS. 11-22 Moroni points out the examples of FAITH in the history of these people, as Paul did in Heb. 11: 17-31.**

*Paul' example of Faith; Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, Parents of Moses, Moses, Joshua, Rahab.*

*Moroni's Examples;*

Vrs. 11-13 Law of Moses (Ex 19: 5,6) - Keep my Covenants  
Make them his People

Vrs. 14 Alma & Amulek caused the prison to tumble (Alma 10:76-86)

Vrs. 15 Nephi & Lehi brought changes to the Lamanites (Hel. 2: 82-117)

- Protected by a Pillar of fire EARTHQUAKES  
that shook prison walls voice from cloud calling to repent

- The important issue was the changes of Lamanites attitudes. (Vrs 11-145)

Vrs. 16 Ammon wrought miracles among the Lamanites (Alma 1:25-45)  
<sub>12</sub>

Vrs. 17 Three Nephites not to die (3 Ne. 13:18)

→ Vrs. 18-21 Miracles a. Vision of Christ, no longer in the vail (Ethi. 1:69)  
b. Brother of Jared saw His finger (Ethi. 1:68)

*Additional info on the subject, same commentator; (Ml. 7:41,42)*

Vrs. 22 Promise these things to come unto the people through the Gentiles.

What things? These Records - Book of Ether - Mi - Mormon

What people? The Lamanites

(Enos 19) The Lord will preserve a record  
of the Nephites

(1 Ne. 3:19) Gentiles shall receive the fulness of  
the gospel (Bible & Book of Mormon)



**VRS. 23-26 Moroni's experiences in humility as well as his human insecurity of not being able to convey his thoughts adequately, is expressed**

**Vision of the Future:** The Gentiles will bring this record back to the people (Lamanites) Moroni instructs them reading his very words about what he has learned

**Gentiles:** A Future Generation that will value his writings

**Gentiles Mock:**  
(humility) Moroni felt his eloquence and abilities to write was not up to the standard of the Gentiles capabilities, therefore he felt they will mock him for his lack of expression.

(insecurity) He has received, even as the Brother of Jared, a powerful and great testimony. Insecure that he has the capability to express the message and lesson that he has - and wants us to know

**VRS. 27-29 The Lord's lesson that corrects Moroni way of thinking.**

- Lord spoke - (Revelation) "Fools Mock" Because of their lack of understanding. He works through man's weaknesses (thus simple understandable msg). Thus Lord gives weaknesses

(see 2 Corth. 12: 7-10) My Grace is sufficient.  
Grace = Kindness and love of God for man  
- Rely on God's strength to accomplish the tasks he gives unto us

**VRS. 30 Moroni learns lesson;** He was comforted because God had used him for what he was - acknowledge Testifies that God works with simple men

Shares a miracle that came about because of Brother of Jared's faith. Bro. of Jared had at one point moved a mountain, although not measured before.

**VRS. 31 Jesus works, AFTER men have faith.**

1. Brother of Jared had faith - THEREFORE The Mountain WAS Moved.
2. Disciples had faith (Although they never saw him) He therefore manifest himself unto them.

**VRS. 32-Christ prepares a place for man.**

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Where? Among the mansions of His Father.

To obtain man must have; Hope (VRS 32)

To obtain Hope must have; MUST HAVE FAITH

To obtain Hope & Faith; MUST have Charity

(VRS 34 "Love which God has for Children of Men"  
(mi 7:52 "Pure love of Jesus Christ")

What is Charity? (see Mi. 7:50-53) (1) Long Suffering (2) Kind  
(3) ENVIETH NOT (4) NOT PUFFED UP (5) SEEKETH NOT her own will (6) NOT EASILY PROVOKED (7) THINKETH NO EVIL (8) REJOICETH not in iniquity - but in truth (9) BEARETH, BELIEVETH, HOPETH, ENDURETH all Things.

Moroni expounds on obtaining them, (see Mi. 7:44-49) MUST be meek and lowly of Heart to have Charity - Prerequisites Hope is faith - Prerequisite to Hope & Faith is meek & lowly of Heart - Prerequisite to Charity

VRS 35-36 What is the Gentiles loose their Charity? Take away their talent and that which they have already received (A Knowledge of the Truth) see Alma 17:46-47 (Charity toward receiving BpM) 3US 7:34-35

→ What is the condition of Gentiles with Charity? (see 4 Ne 1:17-19) No envyings, No Strifes, No Tumults, No whoredoms, No Lyings, No Murders, No manner of Lasciviousness they are a happy people.

**VRS. 37 Moroni make statement about his standing with God if the Gentiles loose their Charity.**

No consequence to Moroni's salvation, they will STAND accountable for their life, as he will for his.

(refer to 2 Ne 1:116-121, Alma 15:55,56, Hel 5:85,86) EVERY MAN IS ACCOUNTABLE for himself. Free to choose good or evil, Right or wrong.

ENVYINGS: Feeling of Displeasure produced by witnessing or Hearing of the Advantage or prosperity of others.

Strifes; Contention, the expression of Enmity (Rm 12:9 uses word Debate) Deep seated unfriendliness, hostility  
Tumults; "Commotion, agitation" 1) violent agitation, excitement, 2) strong emotional disturbance

Whoredoms; Fornications & adulteries

Lyings; Falsehoods

Lasciviousness; Sensual desires/LUSTS, absence of Restraint, indecency, wantonness

81 MARK 7:22,23 (EVIL that proceeds from the Heart)

**VRS. 38 Moroni's reward for his humble service.** He will Go To  
The Place Prepared for Him in The Mansions  
of Christ's FATHER.

**VRS. 39-41 Moroni's closing remarks in his injected sermon.**

- 1) Farewell to the Gentiles - HAD NOT MET Them - You -  
SPEAKING TO You directly - He's Leaving - Part of STATEMENT
- 2) Spoke of judgment day WE will all STAND AT The Judgement  
BAR of God and Give an account of ourselves.
- 3) Professes, He has performed his task, fulfilled His responsibility.  
He has taught The Lesson That The Lord gave  
him - he has invited The Gentiles - (US).  
He is NOT responsible for our Punishment if we do not  
heed Godly Counsel and refuse to HEAR.
- 4) Gentiles will have a knowledge, he spoke the truth. (see Rom 14:10-12)  
If we refuse to Hear & Accept The TRUTH -  
Fail to have Hope in Jesus Christ - The Day will come  
we will know Any way That he Spoke The TRUTH.  
- Advanced - "I told You So"
- 5) Admonishment, Search OUT! This salvation is  
Jesus Christ.

**End of Chapter 5**

## CHAPTER 6

VRS 1 Moroni PROCEEDS with record of  
The JAREDITES from where he left off:

SEE ETHER 5:5: ether prophesied great and  
MARVELOUS THINGS TO THE PEOPLE.

VRS. 2 JAREDITES REJECT THE PROPHESIES  
THAT ETHER GAVE.

SEE ETHER 5: 1-5 Teaching them to believe in the  
things of God, repent or be destroyed

VRS. 2-13 THE GREAT AND MARVELOUS THINGS  
THAT ETHER TOLD OF, NOT GIVEN IN CHAPT. 5

VRS 2

a) The Creation of Man

SEE GEN. 1:26,27 2:7 Formed man from DUST

b) A World Wide flood see Gen 8:1-4

EVIDENCE: There was a "world wide flood", not just the  
Area in Europe where Noah was as some believe.  
They cite Gen 7:17 - word EARTH from Greek word 'ERETE'  
which can be land or EARTH. HERE ETHER tells us  
that the waters receded off THIS LAND, speaking of  
The Americas. Description - "Choice above  
all other lands" fits ETH 1:29

VRS 3,10 A NEW Jerusalem (From out of Heaven)

Where will it be? Upon this Land - "It was the Place."

What will it be like? See Rev 21:1, 9-27

12,000 Furlongs - Long, wide, high

18" = 1 Cubit, 400 Cubits = 1 Furlong, 1 Furlong = 606<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>'

12,000 Furlongs = 1360 miles Cubed. (Size of Moon)

144 Cubit high wall 144 x 1.5' = 216'

Light - Glory of God - No Need for Sun

Made of Pure Gold Like Clear Glass

Precious Stones

Contains No Temple - The Lord is The Temple. (vrs 22)

VRS 4 a) The days of CHRIST (see Math - John / 3Ne 5 - 13)

Comes to this world - Crucified, Resurrection

Appearance upon this Land.

(VRS 4,7) b) Jerusalem of old City we find in Bible

c) Lehi would come from Jerusalem. (see 1Ne 1:1-18)

(VRS 4,12) d) Jerusalem of old would be destroyed - People  
Scattered (see 1Ne 3:230)

(VRS 4,8) f) A New Jerusalem Built up / A Holy City

See 3Ne 9:58, 3Ne 10:1-7 NOT The same

New Jerusalem That Comes out of Heaven. This

one is built up. Will be in the days of

Zion and The Work of The Lord will

go out from there.

→ VRS 9 - Old Heaven and Earth have passed away  
SEE Rev 21:1, 2 Pet 3:10,12

The Atom (All matter made of) defies law of Physics. Positive Forces Repel  
The Atom has protons & Neutrons - Both Positive - They stay together by the  
Power of God - His word spoke them into existence - If God Relaxes  
His Power They will split. Split our Adam - Both - All atoms  
Hit down of Earth.

VRS 6 A Remnant of The seed of Joseph  
Shall build this Holy City.

See ZNE 2:1-9 Branch that was broken off, Great Covenant  
Jac 2:34 Led out - Raise up righteous branch  
+ 3NE 2:104-109 \_\_\_\_\_  
+ 3NE 7:28,29 \_\_\_\_\_  
3NE 10:2-4 \_\_\_\_\_

VRS 11,12 a) Those who were scattered shall  
be gathered in. SEE Micah 4:1-2, 3NE 10:4 \*3NE 2:1  
House of Israel Comes through The Millennium 3NE 2:1  
because of The Gospel work that took place  
described in 3NE 10:4.  
They too receive The fulness of Gospel and  
follow The true Messiah.

b) The Covenant fulfilled which God made  
with Abraham. (See Gen 17:7-8)

VRS 13 Scripture Comes to Pass - "They who were first <sup>19</sup> shall be last, They who were last shall be first." <sup>20</sup> Rn 11  
see 3NE 7:29-37 Israel was The 1st to  
receive Gods word and Covenants - The Gentiles  
were The last to Receive.  
The Gentiles will be 1st to be in The  
Holy City be with The Lord - Israel will  
be last. To Come to Land return to Land of  
inheritance.

Prophesied events not Put in Chronological order. So often Prophets see future events

but they do not see them in Chronological order.

They do not tell in Chronological order

A Chronological order for these events

- 1) Gen 1:26 Creation of Earth & Man kind.
- 2) Gen 8:1-4 The Flood
- 3) Gen 11 Tower / Jaredite Migration to America (These people)
- 4) Josh 10:1 Old Jerusalem Founded in Old World
- 5) 1 Ne 1:38 Lehi Leaves Jerusalem - Comes to New World
- 6) Math / 3 Ne 5 Christ Comes to Old World & New World
- 7) 3 Ne 10:1-4, 3 Ne 9:58 New Jerusalem to be built up in New World-Zion
- 8) 3 Ne 10:5-8 The House of Israel Gathered to land of inheritance in old world
- 9) Rev 20:1-6 The millennium begins - 1st resurrection
- 10) Rev 20:7-14 End of Millennium - 2nd resurrection - The Judgement
- 11) Rev 21:1 New Heaven & New Earth
- 12) Rev 21:2, Eth 6:3 New Jerusalem Comes down out of Heaven.

## VRS. 14-15 Ether is Rejected

- CAST OUT FROM AMONG THE PEOPLE - THEY DID NOT WANT TO HEAR HIS WORDS
- HIDES IN A CROVE DURING THE DAY (A ROCK) CEMENT-HOLE IN LIMESTONE ROCK.
- NIGHT-TIME GOES OUT AND WITNESSES THE DESTRUCTION THAT IS COMING UPON THE PEOPLE AS PROPHECIED
- FINISHED HIS RECORD - THE BOOK OF ETHER

## VRS. 16-20 Year One of the Great Destruction

Events a) WAR ENSUES AMONG THE PEOPLE

b) MANY MIGHTY MEN RAISES UP AGAINST CORIANTUMR

c) BLOODY BATTLE - MANY PEOPLE SLAIN - INJURIES OCCURRING ON BOTH SIDES

## VRS. 21-23 Year Two - Ether Prophecies

ETHER GOES TO CORIANTUMR - PROPHECIES TO HIM - TELLS HIM TO REPENT - IF HE DID THE LORD WOULD GIVE HIM THE KINGDOM AND SPARE THE PEOPLE

a) OTHERWISE ALL WILL BE DESTROYED - EXCEPT HIM, CORIANTUMR, SO HE WOULD HAVE TO WITNESS THE DESTRUCTION

b) \* ANOTHER GROUP OF PEOPLE WOULD RECEIVE THIS PROMISED LAND THAT THE LORD SENT JEREDITH TO.

c) AFTER SEEING THE DESTRUCTION - HE WOULD BE DISCOVERED BY THIS NEW INHABITANTS AND HE WOULD DIE IN THEIR COMPANY.

1st mention of  
A new prophecy  
before only said  
they would be swept off.

## VRS. 24 Coriantumr Rejects the Prophecies

a) TRIED TO KILL THE PROPHET - NOT WANTING TO HEAR OR ACCEPT THE PROPHECIES.

b) ETHER RETURNS TO HIS HIDING SPACE IN THE ROCK.



## VRS. 25 Year Three of the Destruction

Coriantumr taken into captivity Leader of the Enemy was Shared,  
Who rose up against Coriantumr

## VRS. 26 Year Four of the Destruction

Coriantumr restored to power Sons of Coriantumr overthrew  
Shared, Fined Coriantumr, Restored him to his Power

## VRS 27,28 War Upon the Face of the Land

Reason; Every group was fighting to have its own way  
and Desires fulfilled - "Lust of The Flesh"

See James 4:1,2 Where cometh wars, even of your lusts.  
Ye lust and have not, ye kill and desire to have"

## VRS 29-34 Coriantumr and Shared Continue to Battle

- a) Vrs 33 Shared is killed (Cital found in Bible - Brought name with them.)  
b) Vrs 34 Coriantumr is wounded - ~~is~~  
c) Year Six of the Destruction. Sit out of the Battle for  
2 yrs - Appr 4 yrs into battle when wounded

## VRS 35,36 A Curse Upon the Land

Why? Because of The iniquity of The People, Their  
Pride, lusts of The Flesh, rejection of Prophets

What? Lay something down - disappears

How? (see Vrs. 28) Theft "There were Robbers"  
Five Finger discount at The Midnight onto Supply.

see Hel 5:41,42 "Your riches, that is becometh slippery, that  
ye can not hold them. Can not retain them, ye shall cry  
unto The Lord"

Reason for this particular curse? see Hel 4:65, 1 Tim 6:10

Because of thine iniquities - accursed, hide up  
Treasure - (Treasures of World)  
"Love of money Root of all evil"

### VRS. 37 - 39 Year Six of the Destruction

A new leader rises up against Coriantumr; The Brother of Shared

The Destruction; Thousands die in the wilderness of Akish.

### VRS. 40 Brother of Shared Enters "Land of Moron";

Take Coriantumr there

Where is the "Land of Moron?"

See - Eth.3:42,43 Near Land of Desolation

Alma3:74 A Place Covered with bones, A place where Jaredites died in Civil war.

### VRS. 41 Year Eight of the Destruction

Coriantumr dwelling in the wilderness

### VRS. 42 - 44 The Brother of Shared

Name; Gilead

His Life; wicked murderer, dealt in the secret combinations

His Death; Lib - also dealing in secret combinations murdered him

### VRS. 45 -52 Year Nine of the great Destruction

Coriantumr comes out of the land of Moron - to come against Lib

Location of the Battle; From the land of Desolation to the Sea Shore.

Lib's fate; Killed by Coriantumr

New leader; Brother of Lib named Shiz took over the battle against Coriantumr.

## VRS. 53-73 Great Battle Upon the Land

Attitudes of the battle: Bitter hatred; Causing enemies to kill women & children, burned & destroyed cities

Events; Cities destroyed, great multitude of deaths and destruction.

Description; Blood shed, Carnage, 2 million mighty men killed plus (VRS 73) their wives & children - 6000 plus people if each had 1 child.

How does this event compare to the "Olmec" culture?

Refer to, "A Book of Mormon Companion", by Don McIndoo, Chapter 96

### **APPENDIX - K**

Similarities; BoM words - Carnage, Blood shed, Destroy Cities  
Kill women & children, Land covered with bodies of dead  
Grinders words - Bitter Hatred, Rage, Olmecs responsible own destruction

What about the time frames?

Olmec demise dated; 400 - 300 BC

Jaredite battle dated,  
Per Book of Mormon, published by The Church of Christ; 230 - 130 BC

To Help calculate date of battle, refer to;

Omni 1:23-26 Mosiah discovers the people of Zarahemla (Mulikites)  
Hel 2:129

Omni 1:35-37 Coriantumr was discovered by these people  
earlier - lived with them 9 months - died and  
buried before Mosiah had found them

Year of that event; 279 BC

Conclusion; When Mosiah contacted these Mulikites, 279 BC  
They had previously found Coriantumr and he lived  
there almost a year plus some unknown additional  
time passing bring date to approx 300 BC - consistent  
with Olmec estimate of destroying themselves  
- Date in Book of Mormon - estimate is in error

## VRS. 74 Coriantumr Repents of His Evil

- A) Remembers; Words of All The Prophets - Not Just Those of Ether - "Repent or be swept off"
- B) Prophecies fulfilled; All The People will be destroyed, Coriantumr himself will survive to see the destruction.
- C) The prophets accuracy EVERY WHIT - No great in excess

## VRS. 75,76 Coriantumr and Shiz Correspond

- A) Coriantumr; Coriantumr will surrender to Shiz if it will stop The fighting Save The lives of The People.
- B) Shiz; THREATENS TO Kill Coriantumr - Then spares The people

## VRS. 77- 82 The People of Coriantumr Remained in Iniquity

- A) The battle; Continued and many people injured and killed - Coriantumr wounded again
- B) Shiz and his army moved southwards to escape Coriantumr's army - Camped in a place called "C 28th"

## VRS. 83 The Army of Coriantumr Make Camp

Where; Hill Cumorah

Moroni makes editorial comment to give further on this location; "IT WAS The same Hill his FATHER hid Sacred Records in"

Hills name during Moroni's day;

Morm. 3:3-9 A Hill which was called Cumorah (vrs 3)  
made record - hid up in The Hill Cumorah (vrs 8)  
hid up plates. Moroni (given copies that hid them up (re abridgements) in the earth. No location given.

Morm. 4:2 - Great battle at Hill Cumorah - Nephites escaped land southward

Conclusion on the location: Believing the land southward would be an extreme distance from Hill Cumorah was in N.Y. 5,000 - southward was S. America  
Oliver Cowdery believed that the hill in N.Y. where Joseph was given the plates was The Hill Cumorah by Mormon. This influenced it's being called Cumorah by The early Saints. This identification seemed to fix The Northern boundaries of The BofM of Lands.

Despite Joseph's STATEMENTS, This distorted concept of BofM Geography gradually developed in The early days of The Church and continued through modern day by many of The Church members.  
Moroni hid up The Abridgement - 364th Labor.

Morm 3:6 - 4th in Cumorah  
MS 101 4th vrs. fossil bones.

## VRS. 84-90 Twelfth Year of Destruction

All the people join together - Two sides; WAR so encompassing that  
everyone was armed - including women and children

Results of the battle; many people died. causing much suffering  
and emotional distress to the group

## VRS. 91-94 Further Correspondence Between Camps

Coriantumr; writes to Shiz - offers to surrender  
if he will spare the lives of the people.

Shiz; Had hard heart - no longer can hear the  
spirit of God telling him to do good.

## VRS. 95,96 More Die in the battle, Numbers Remaining are Few

Coriantumr's camp; 52 survivors

Shiz's camp; 69 survivors

## VRS. 97 Fewer Survivors Remain

Coriantumr's camp; 27 survivors

Shiz's camp; 32 survivors

## VRS. 98-103 Battle Comes to a Climax

Only Survivors; The two leaders Coriantumr & Shiz

Coriantumr; Tired from the battle

Shiz; Faint from wounds - lack of blood

## VRS. 105 Prophecy Comes About; Coriantumr Kills Shiz

See ETH. 6:22 All his household save himself shall be destroyed  
he should live to see the fulfilling of the prophecy

Every word as written correct in the translation? - Head cut off - then he  
raised his hands - struggled for breath.

- Conclusion - only partly cut off. every exact word not correct  
although the intent may be.

**VRS 106-108 About Ether**

Ether finishes his record, hid it up for  
The people of Limhi to find

See; **Eth 1:2** "TAKE MY account from The 24 plates  
Found by The people of Limhi."

**Mos. 5:55-66**

Words of God about Coriantumr fulfilled;

**Omni 35-40**

**VRS. 109 Ether's Final Comments in His Record**

1) Finished his work in writings  
" " " " Prophecy

2) Unknown on what was to happen to him  
- Could be translated or may Die - No matter  
as long as he dwells with God  
- Had knowledge of Esau Heb 11:5 Gen 22-24

**Moroni 1:1** - I'm Done with This Record - "Account  
of those Ancient inhabitants who were destroyed  
by the Hand of the Lord in this North Country"

So ARE WE!

The End of the **BOOK of ETHER**

## APPENDIX A

An examination of the topography, vegetation and climate of Panama and the adjacent territory reveals a singularly and surprisingly difficult approach to South America today. Dire necessity alone would force primitive people to attempt the passage of such regions, especially if the difficulties of travel were enhanced by lack of geographical knowledge.

The 1971-72 Trans-America expedition Operation Darien made another attempt to cross the Darien Gap. On December 9, 1971, the Kansas City Times published an article about this expedition under the title "Alaska to Chile - by Land." Following are excerpts from the article:

What makes a relatively simple, if extended, drive into an epic journey is El Tapon (the stopper), a 250 mile stretch of swamp and jungle, ravine and mountain from Canitas in Panama to Rio Leon in Colombia. This is the Darien Gap, part of Isthmus of Panama ...No vehicle has ever crossed this hot and humid land....This second phase of the journey, the real part of the expedition, is scheduled to take 12 weeks. The group is expected to average about two miles a day for most of the trek. Earlier this year a joint air-land reconnaissance trip revealed vertical ravines, streams and swamps mixed with steep ridges. It is estimated that 125 bridges will have to be built.

AUTHORIZED KING JAMES VERSION

CHAPTER II

AND the whole earth was of one language, and of one speech.

2 And it came to pass, as they journeyed from the east, that they found a plain in the land of Shi'nar; and they dwelt there.

3 And they said one to another, Go to, let us make brick, and burn them thoroughly. And they had brick for stone, and slime had they for mortar.

4 And they said, Go to, let us build us a city and a tower, whose top may reach unto heaven; and let us make us a name, lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth.

5 And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of men builded.

6 And the LORD said, Behold, the people is one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do.

7 Go to, let us go down, and there confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech.

8 So the LORD scattered them abroad from thence upon the face of all the earth: and they left off to build the city.

9 Therefore is the name of it called Babel; because the LORD did there confound the language of all the earth: and from thence did the LORD scatter them abroad upon the face of all the earth.



# THE TORAH

11 All the earth had the same language and the same words. 2 And as men migrated from the east, they came upon a valley in the land of Shinar and settled there. 3 They said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks and burn them hard."—Brick served them as stone, and bitumen served them as mortar.—4 And they said, "Come, let us build us a city, and a tower with its top in the sky, to make a name for ourselves; else we shall be scattered all over the world." 5 The LORD came down to look at the city and tower which man had built, 6 and the LORD said, "If, as one people with one language for all, this is how they have begun to act, then nothing that they may propose to do will be out of their reach. 7 Let us, then, go down and confound their speech there, so that they shall not understand one another's speech." 8 Thus the LORD scattered them from there over the face of the whole earth; and they stopped building the city. 9 That is why it was called Babel, 10 because there the LORD confounded 11 the speech of the whole earth; and from



# Shinar

The earliest known inhabitants of Mesopotamia lived in the southern part of what now is called Iraq. These people are simply called "pro-Euphrateans," for lack of a better term. The first identifiable people of this group were known as Sumerians. The old West Semite form of the name appears to have been Shinar, so the Old Testament refers to them as the people from the plain of Shinar. The Sumerians civilization was founded by a people that were not Semitic, that is they did not speak a Semitic language, nor were they Indo-Europeans. The spoke a language unlike any other, either ancient or modern.

The Sumerians developed a township system of government, in which the temple of the local deity was the center of the economic, cultural, and religious life.

The town was ruled by a council led by a mayor or ensi. The ensi also acted as the high priest of the town, ministering at a temple that stood in the center of the community. The temple was the town's center for worship, education, and government.

The Sumerian, or the people from the plain of Shinar, is the oldest civilization yet known. They began building small town along the banks of the Tigris and Euphrates sometime after 7000 B.C. Evidence from before the beginning of written history as we know it points to a Sumerian influence in the development of the high culture of Egypt. They appear to be the first to have utilized writing in a form that can be deciphered. Their religion and myths, in modified form, continued to exert influence on Mesopotamia for almost 2000 years their last period of political importance.

This area was most attractive for settlement since it is contained entirely within the "Fertile Crescent"

#### SOURCE OF REFERENCE:

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SPECIAL NOTES: GEN 2:15 God CREATED man - Provided Language to converse with man. GEN 11:1 World Had these same words until tower - Unknown since tower.

Zeph 3:9 Promise of a Pure Language to be returned.

(Turn) = Hebrew "HAPAK" meaning - To turn about, change, return

3 NE 9: 32-34 Possibly the words used by Jesus. People understood but could not

2 3 NE 8: 15-20 Repeat or write.

Local Deity - OPEN UP AVENUE for Pagan Worship

ENSI - Following Directions of one leader, Write or Wrong

Temple - Point of Focus - Ruins of Ancient Ziggurats found in Area That was Shinar.

## **Appendix D**

### ***"Geofacts and Fancy"***

**Natural History, Feb. 88**

**by C. Vance Haynes, an anthropologists**

**"I presented a conservative model of how a single band of 25 Clovis progenitors could have populated the continent in a few hundred years."**

***Ocean currents  
mirror the  
atmosphere's  
climatological  
wind pattern  
primarily because  
wind helps  
move water***

## UPWELLING

Unfortunately, the picture is not always so straightforward. One of the most important variations in the movement of ocean currents is an *upwelling*. This occurs when unusual winds (in terms of either speed or direction) push warmer surface waters out of an area. As this warmer water is blown away, a "vacuum" is created on the ocean's surface. Since water, like air, has a tendency to fill a vacuum, cold water from the ocean depths rushes in to occupy the void.

One of the most famous upwelling situations occurs in the Pacific Ocean off the northwest coast of Peru. The combined effect of wind and competing ocean currents often produces an area of upwelled water near the Galapagos Islands. Rich in nutrients, this upwelled

water supports considerable aquatic life.

When the Galapagos upwelling subsides and warmer water returns, El Niño occurs. Weather patterns during the latter part of 1991 and the first half of 1992 are believed to be due to a moderate El Niño effect. This includes heavy rains in Hawaii, Texas, and Puerto Rico and dryness in the Pacific northwest. However, scientists are not yet certain whether the weather patterns drive the El Niño or the El Niño drives the weather patterns. As with anything in meteorology and oceanography, it's safest to say that there's a relationship, rather than an exact cause and effect.

Other important upwelling areas occur along the West Coast of the United States, the Iberian peninsula, and northwest Africa. Here, winds blow roughly parallel to the coast.

For upwelling to occur, winds must blow over an area from roughly the same direction for several days. When semipermanent wind patterns dominate, such as near Peru, California, and the Canary islands, upwelling is easier to predict.

Upwellings usually are associated with outstanding diving. The nutrient-rich waters attract large pelagic animals, and oftentimes the cooler oceans translate into crystalline visibility.

## WHERE DOES ALL THE WATER GO?

Obviously when warm water is blown away from an area in an upwelling, it must go somewhere. The logical question is, "Where?" Surface water collects near the center of the ocean, underneath the calm winds associated with the center of the subtropical high-pressure system.

A more common name for this part of the ocean is "The Doldrums." As the water collects, gravity dictates that it must sink in order to prevent a small "mountain" of water from forming. The water moves toward the bottom of the ocean, then circulates back toward the land masses. This creates a vertical current in the ocean.

there are vertical currents of water in the ocean, and water and air both function as liquids, is there a similar movement of air in the atmosphere?"

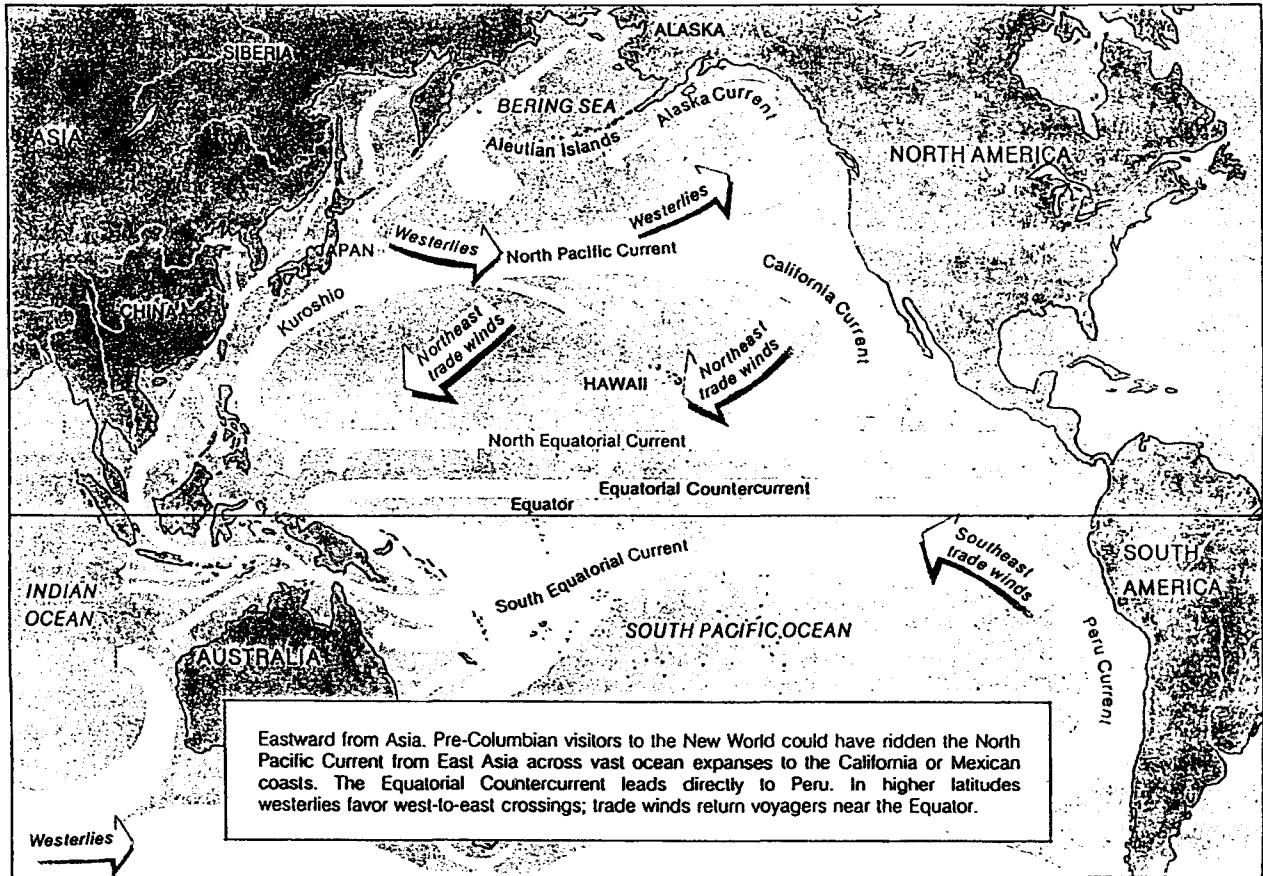
The answer: Of course! Displaced air collects over a high-pressure system and sinks down toward the ground — just like the center of the ocean. When a low-pressure system develops, air

rises — just like an upwelling.

But there are many more results of the interactions and similarities of winds and water than large ocean currents and upwellings — waves and swells are the two that come to mind. We'll discuss those topics, and many more, in future columns. Until then, dive safely.

# Appendix F

## DIVE TRAINING MAGAZINE 1992 ISSUE



## DURATION OF THE OCEAN VOYAGE

To make a more accurate comparison of sailing time, we shall refer to survivors of ship disasters where traveling was similar, a raft set in the water pushed by ocean winds and currents. **Dougal Robertson's** schooner sank in the Pacific after being damaged by killer whales. In his book, *Survive The Savage Sea*, he tells how he and his family of five traveled 38 days in a raft, towing a dinghy; shifting to the dinghy when the raft sank. During this time, aided by a small sail and sometimes rowing, they traveled 750 miles - roughly 20 miles a day.

**Stephen Callahan** in his book, *Adrift*, tells how - when his sailing ship sank in the Atlantic - he spent 76 days in a six-man raft, running before the winds and currents. During this epic voyage he traveled 1,800 miles toward the Caribbean Sea. The currents carried him at an average speed of 24 miles per day.

The Jaredite route took them between 8,000 and 11,000 miles. Using an average speed from our two examples - 22 miles per day - it would have taken the Jaredites between 363 and 500 days to make their great sea crossing. Thus, rather than being a trip of excessive duration, we see they made the trip in record time.

## Appendix G

*A Book of Mormon Companion*, by Donald E. McIndoo

## *Appendix H*

**National Geographic  
Vol. 184, No. 5 Pg.114  
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### **New Light on the Olmec**

By George E. Stuart

Within a narrow strip along the coast that stretches from Chiapas into El Salvador lie a dozen important sites, including Abaj Takalik, Chalchuapa, La Blanca, and others whose histories of occupation extend back to around 2000 B.C.

Archaeologist John Graham of the University of California at Berkeley, who excavated Abaj Takalik in Guatemala, believes it is possible that this Pacific coast area - and not the Gulf Coast Region after all - may indeed have been the Olmec heartland.

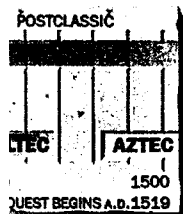


SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION, PHOTOGRAPHED AT DUMBARTON OAKS

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backdrop above. In an astonishing coincidence,  
his left shoulder bears the name glyph of the  
spirit companion of Harvest Mountain Lord.

Epigraphists used the statuette's glyphs, Maya  
symbols, and an early form of Zoquean, a lan-  
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today, to decode the La Mojarra stela.



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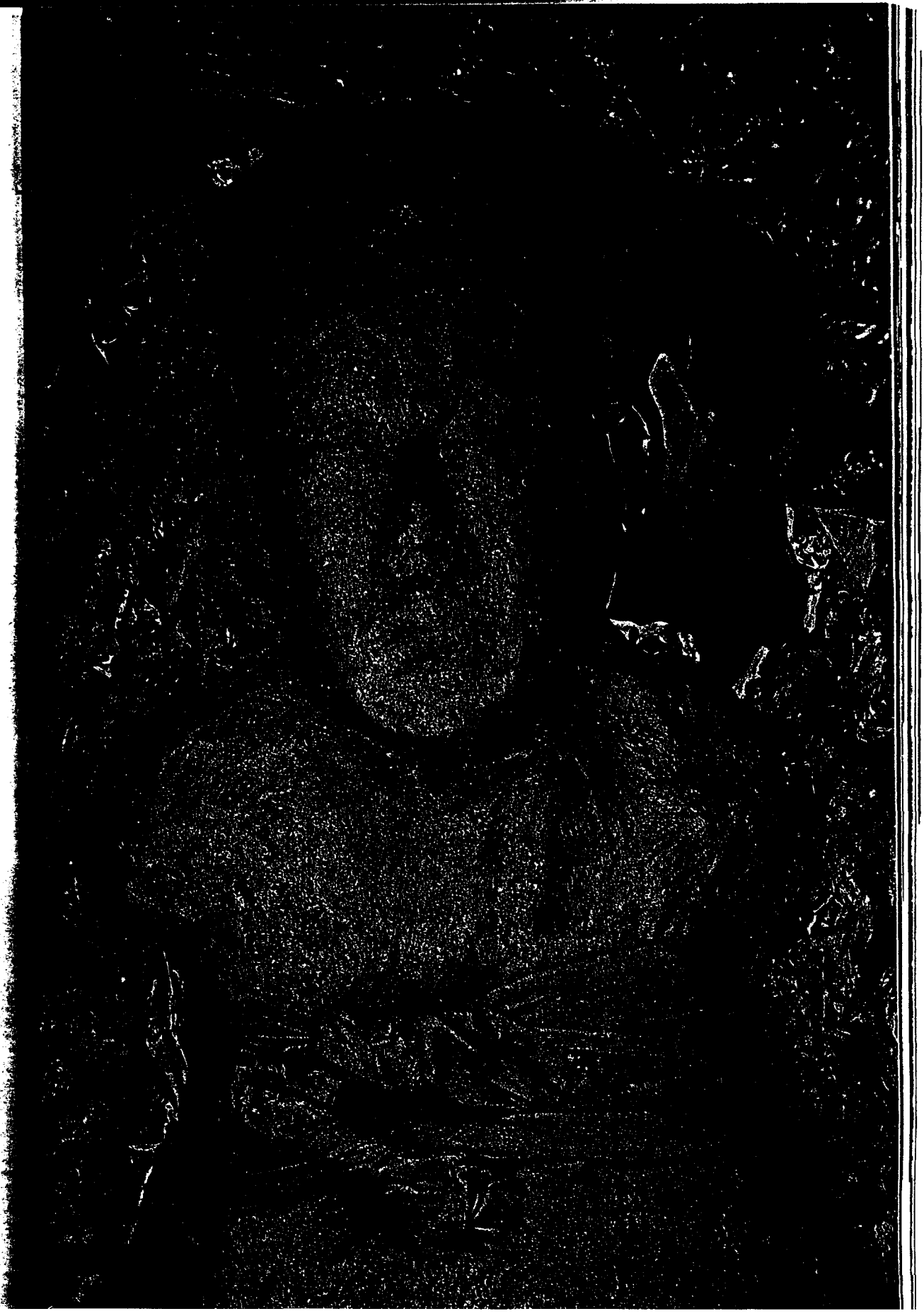
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# Appendix I

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## Adventurer gives up attempt to cross Pacific on bamboo raft

Reuters

HONG KONG — Adventurer Tim Severin has decided to abandon a bid to cross the Pacific by bamboo raft to show that Chinese sailors could have come to America 17 centuries before Christopher Columbus' expedition organizers said Thursday.

Severin's five-man crew made the

decision only 1,000 miles short of the U.S. coast, when they discovered their raft was in danger of breaking up.

Ireland-based Severin set sail on the 6,000-mile journey from Hong Kong in May. However, crew members swimming under the raft had found that rattan fastenings holding the 220 bamboo poles together had rotted

badly.

The U.S. Coast Guard has been alerted, and a Japanese merchant vessel will pick up the crew and take it to Japan. Severin says a number of cultural similarities between China and pre-Columbus America suggest that Chinese arrived there 1,700 years before Columbus landed in 1492.

# Extinct-mammoth surprise

## Fossils of dwarf species date to time of Sphinx

The Associated Press

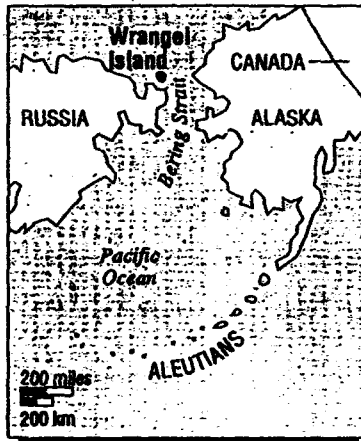
**NEW YORK** — A population of dwarf woolly mammoths survived about 6,000 years after the beasts were thought to be extinct, roaming an island northwest of Alaska even as the Sphinx was being built in Egypt, a new study says.

The island beasts may have been a bit less than 6 feet tall, said Adrian Lister, a specialist in ice-age mammals at University College in London.

"That the remains in question should represent that ultimate paleontological paradox — a population of dwarfed mammoths — further conspires to make the discoveries . . . one of the most extraordinary fossil finds of recent times," he wrote in a *Nature* editorial.

Twenty-nine teeth and tooth fragments from mammoths on Russia's Wrangel Island in the Arctic Ocean were found to be as young as about 4,000 years, Russian researchers say in today's issue of the journal *Nature*. Tusk and bone samples were as young as about 3,700 years, they said.

Mammoths generally were thought to have become extinct about 10,000



The Arizona Republic

years ago, although some reports estimated 7,000 years ago.

The island beasts may help shed light on the debate over whether the mainland mammoths were exterminated by humans or environmental change, said study co-author Andrei Sher of the Severtsov Institute of Evolutionary Animal Morphology and Ecology, part of the Russian Academy of Sciences in Moscow.

The mammals apparently survived because the island provided a suitable plant diet that had disappeared elsewhere, researchers said.

The teeth were found in 1991. They indicate that the island beasts were smaller than the well-known prehistoric woolly mammoth, which ranged through the Northern Hemisphere and stood about 10 feet tall at the shoulder.

Jeheskel Shoshani, who studies extinct and living elephants and their relatives, said the finding made him "excited." Shoshani, a researcher at the Cranbrook Institute of Science in Bloomfield Hills, Mich., said the dates of the teeth and other fossils should be confirmed by independent testing.

Wrangel Island once was part of a land mass that included Siberia and Alaska, the researchers said, but by 12,000 years ago, it had become detached. The isolation apparently contributed to production of dwarf animals, they said.

The reason for their eventual demise is a mystery.

"The miracle couldn't last forever," Sher said.

## Mini-Mammoths

TIME, APRIL 5, 1993

### Smaller versions of the woolly beasts may have outlasted the Ice Age

EVERY SCHOOLCHILD KNOWS THAT WOOLLY MAMMOTHS died out at the end of the Ice Age, about 10,000 years ago. Well, maybe not. A team of Russian scientists reported in *Nature* that the beasts may have survived until 2000 B.C. on an island off the coast of Siberia. The researchers uncovered 29 fossilized teeth that range from 4,000 to 7,000 years of age. In a survival technique that has since been copied by human institutional giants, the prehistoric pachyderms adapted to their confined island circumstances by downsizing their bulk. Extrapolating from the small tooth size, scientists calculate that the mini-mammoths stood 6 ft. tall at the shoulder, compared with 10 ft. for their full-size counterparts. Still unclear: whether climatic changes or hu-

## CHAPTER NINETY-SIX

## End of the Jaredite Civilization

"... he did overthrow many cities ... and he did burn the cities thereof ...."  
Ether 6:53

The closing chapter of Jaredite civilization is an appalling story of fear, death and destruction as the great cities of the nation were overthrown and left in ruins, the people slaughtered. The face of the land became a vast "... scene of bloodshed and carnage ...." — Ether 6:57. It began with still another power struggle among the elite for the rule of the kingdom; it ended with a collective surge of rage so potent within the populace, its conclusion could only be total destruction.

This is the lamentable story of a once-great nation of people who turned away from God. The Book of Mormon tells us their destruction was complete: it was concluded sometime before 300 B.C. when Mosiah went down into the land of Zarahemla. When he arrived there with the Nephite people the empire of the Jaredites had already ended, and the last known survivor had lived out his life among the people of Zarahemla. Since the people of Zarahemla stumbled across this survivor, it is obvious the final battlefields lay somewhere near the "narrow neck of land" — near the homeland of the people of Zarahemla.

So the Book of Mormon gives us the time-frame for the demise of this civilization, as well as the geographical area where it took place. We have identified this Jaredite culture with that of the Olmecs of Mexico. Do Olmec history and geography coincide with this story of destructive civil war told in the Book of Mormon?

Stuart and Stuart (93): "Almost as suddenly as they appeared, the Olmec vanished around 400 B.C." — p. 25

Gardner (39): "In death as in life the Olmec did things on a grand scale. Their demise at San Lorenzo<sup>1</sup> was characterized by violence and destruction — bizarre acts that appear to have come from overwhelming hatred and rage." — p. 140

"... discoveries opened up the possibility that the Olmec themselves were responsible for the destruction." — p. 141

Coe (18): "Like the earlier San Lorenzo, La Venta<sup>2</sup> was deliberately destroyed in ancient times. Its fall was certainly violent, as twenty-four

1: San Lorenzo was a city *just north* of the "narrow neck of land"— See the map on page 6.

2: La Venta was an Olmec city situated *in* the "narrow neck of land" — See the map on page 6.

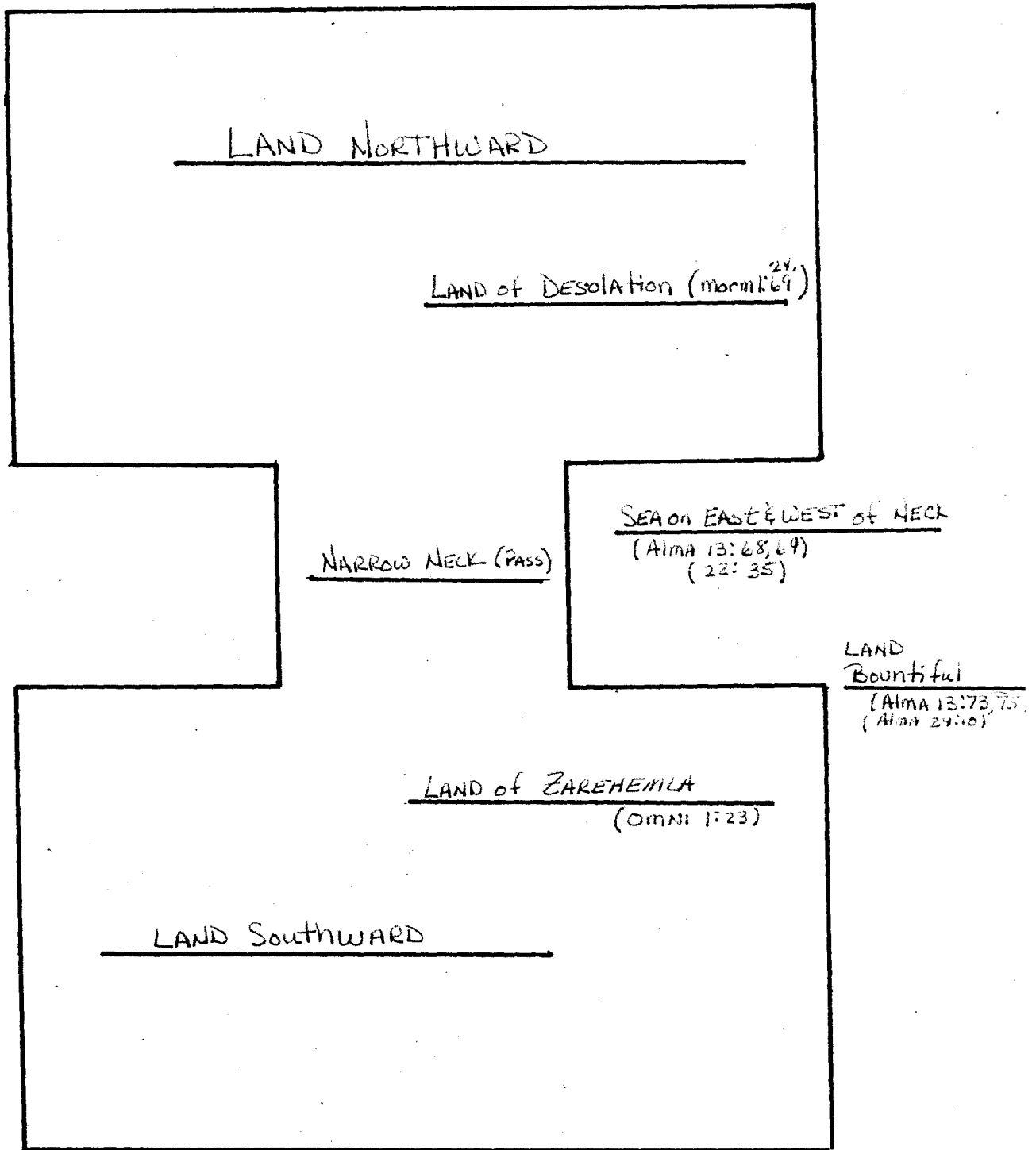
out of forty sculptured monuments were intentionally mutilated. This probably occurred at the end of Middle Formative time: around 400 — 300 B.C ...." — p. 75

Like hand in glove, *the story unearthed by archaeologists of the Olmec civilization and its demise, conforms to the narration of the Book of Mormon.*



REFERENCE FOR JAREDITE MIGRATION  
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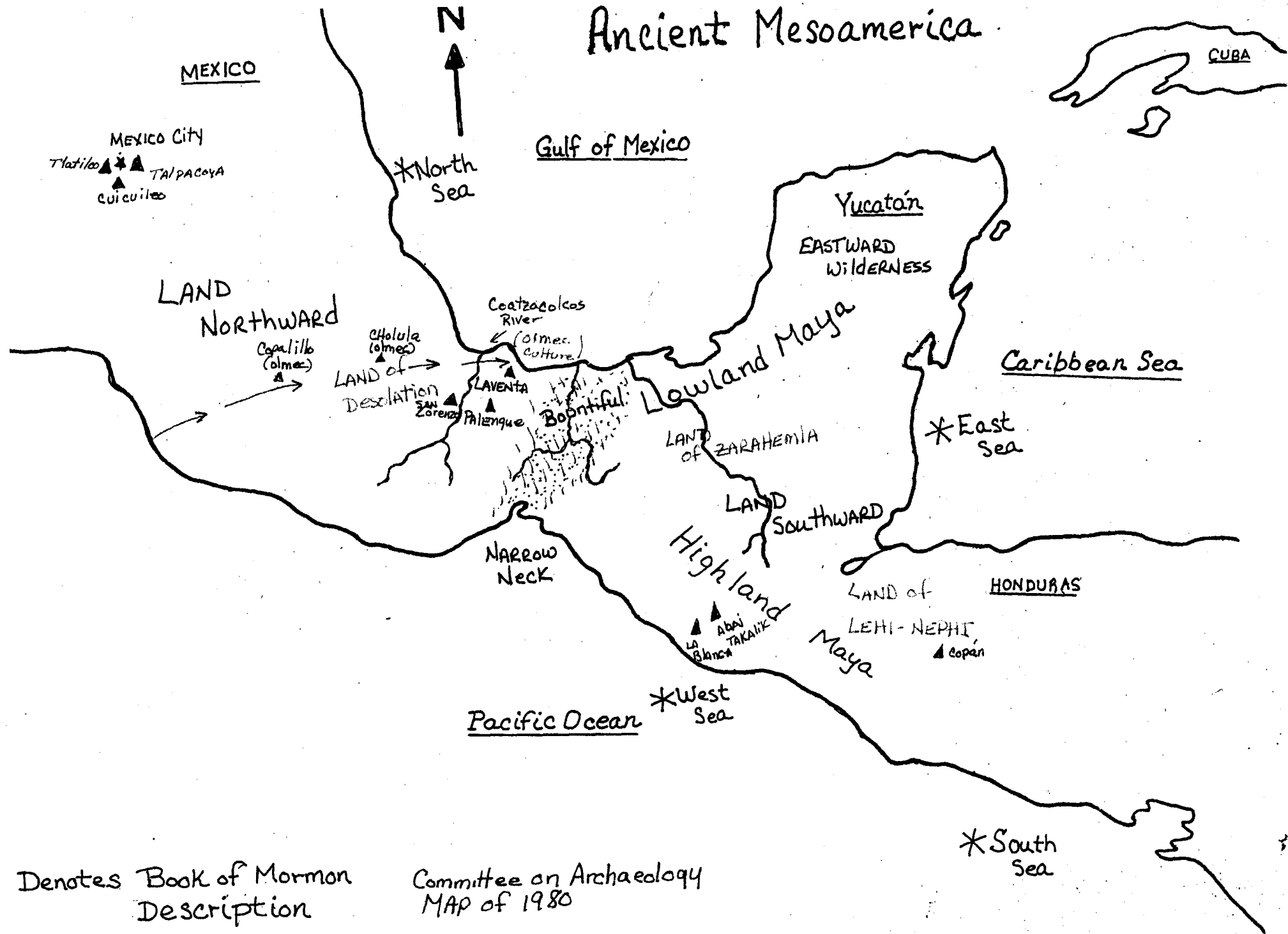
- ETHER 1:7 Left or began their migration from the  
tower of Babel, in the Plain of Shinar.
- ETHER 1:17,22 Down into Valley Northward.  
Valley Named Nimrod - in Plain of Shinar.
- ETHER 1:28,29 Crossed over Body of Water  
Continued travel through wilderness from Water.
- ETHER 1:37 Journey until they came to a  
great sea that divideth the Land (Ocean)
- ETHER 3:6-14 Left the area near the Great Sea  
and they rode the currents driven by the wind
- ETHER 3:14 ARRIVED and set their feet upon  
the Promised Land.
- ETHER 4:3,4 Traveled EASTWARD from the Area  
of Landing, Stopping at the Sea Shore.
- ETHER 4:35,36 Moved Southward towards the  
Land Zarahemla
- ETHER 4:66-68 Moved into The Land Southward to  
HUNT for food. - Built City by Narrow Neck.



## ***Layout of Book of Mormon lands***

(MORMON 1:61)  
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# Ancient Mesoamerica

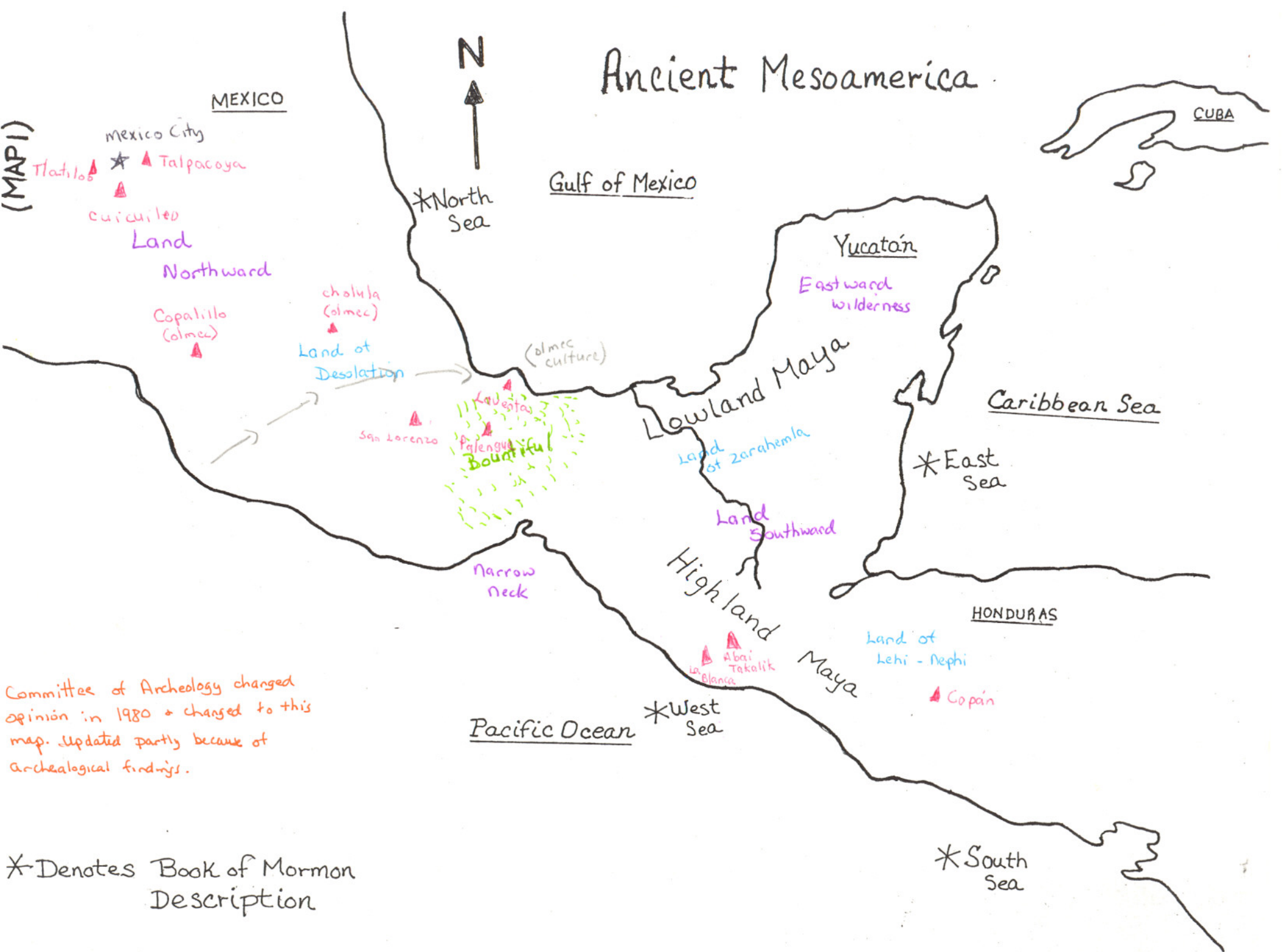


Denotes Book of Mormon Description

Committee on Archaeology MAP of 1980

# Ancient Mesoamerica

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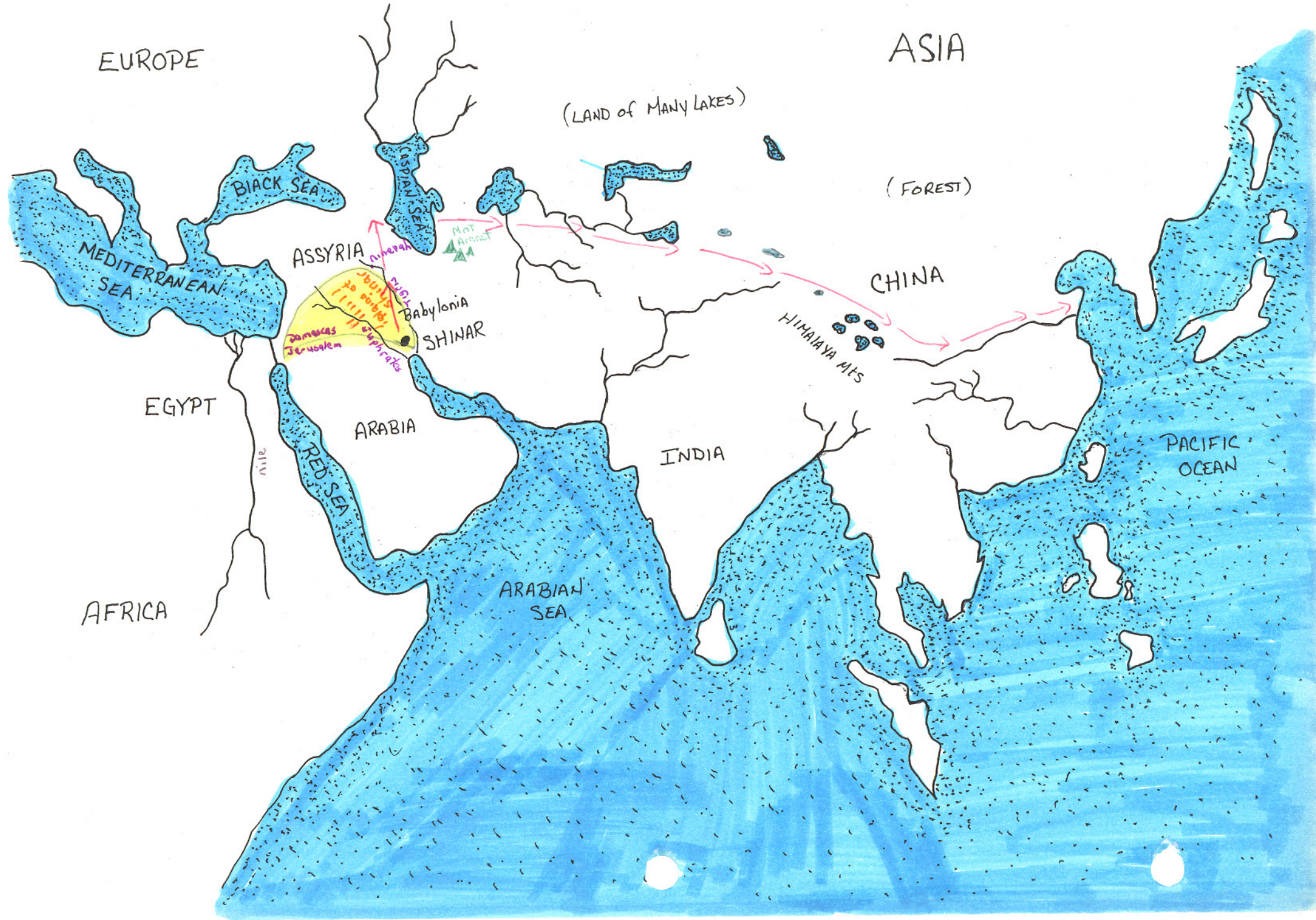


Committee of Archeology changed opinion in 1980 + changed to this map. Updated partly because of archeological findings.

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# JAREDITES TRAVEL

(MAP 2)





REFERENCE FOR JAREDITE MIGRATION  
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- ETHER 1:7 They began their migration from the Tower of Babel in  
Land of Shinar
- ETHER 1:17,22 Down into valley northward; the valley was named  
Nimrod which is in the Plain of Shinar
- ETHER 1:28,29 Crossed over Body of Water  
Continued travel through wilderness from water.
- ETHER 1:37 Journey until they came to a great  
sea that divideth the land (ocean)
- ETHER 3:6-14 Left the area near the Great Sea & they  
rode the currents driven by the wind
- ETHER 3:14 Arrived & set their feet upon the  
promised Land.
- ETHER 4:3,4 Traveled eastward from the area of  
landing, stopping at the seashore
- ETHER 4:35,36 moved southward towards the  
Land Zarahemla
- ETHER 4:66-68 \_\_\_\_\_  
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(MAP 2A)

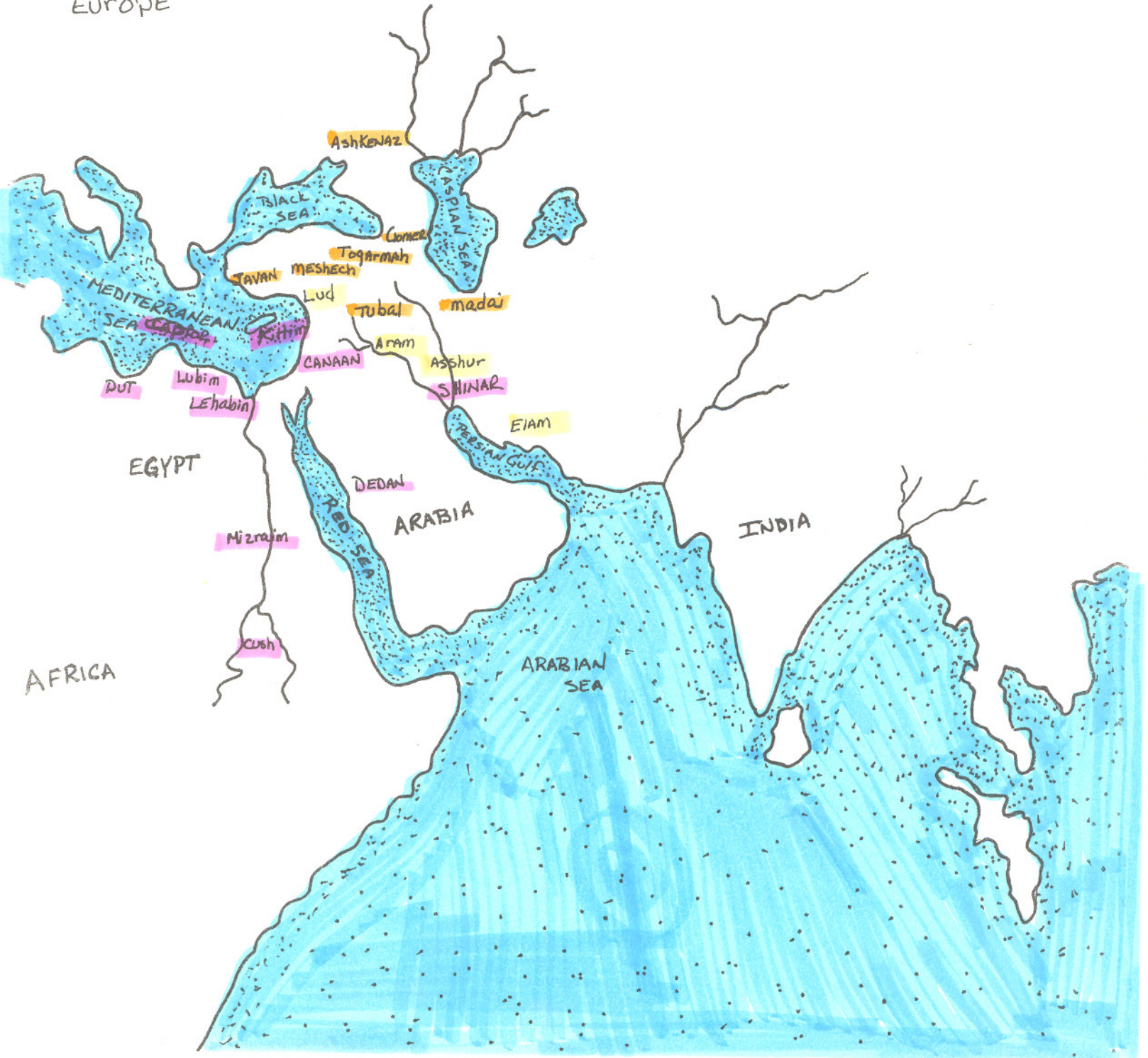
# Nations Descended from Noah's Sons

Japheth Gen 10:2

Shem Gen 10:22

HAM Gen 10:6

EUROPE



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