



Judges:

Coulda
Shoulda

But Didn't

Judges 1:11-15

Judges 3:9-14



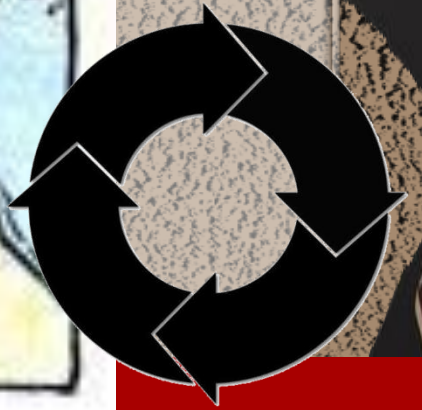
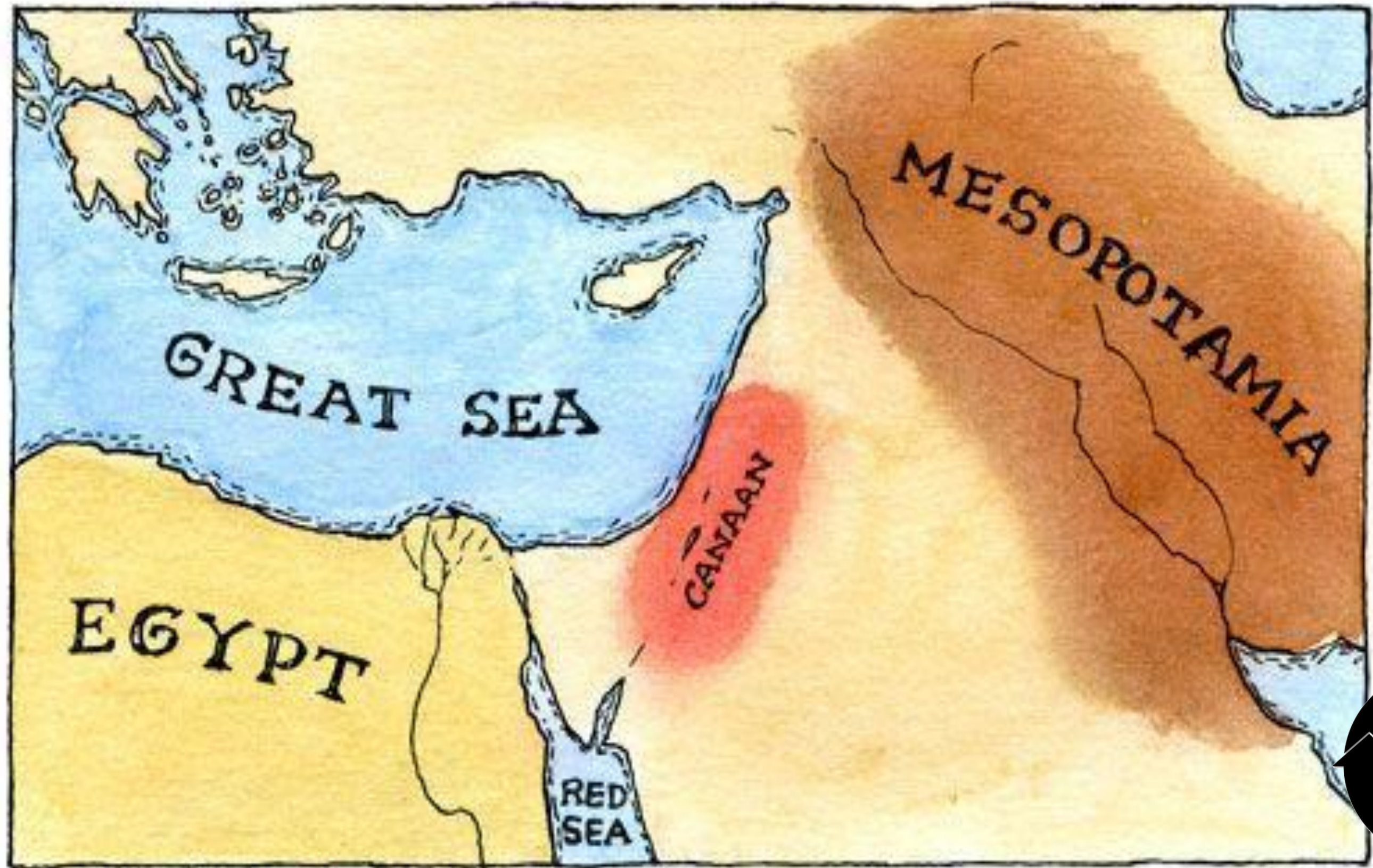


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Judges 3:9

Israel is under **servitude** to
the King of Mesopotamia .





Mesopotamia **exploited**
Israel. They **owned** them &
ALL their **resources**
(Most of what they
harvested went to
Mesopotamia)



Finally, after the Children
of Israel are **humbled** they
cry out to God
God hears them & raises up
a **deliverer** (someone to
rescue them)



Judges 3:9

The vehicle of **rescue** that
God had in store was
through a guy named
Othniel



Judges 3:10

“The Spirit of the Lord came upon him” is a **frequently used** phrase in this book



It was God Who **raised**
up Othniel & it was God
Who used Othniel to
accomplish the task of
delivering Israel



FYI - Every judge in this
book **points** to the
Ultimate, Once for ALL
Deliverer & Savior of the
world, Jesus Christ



Judges 3:11

For **40** years the land has
peace & things are good

Judges 3:12-14



Unfortunately, Israel gets
comfortable. They get
complacent & they revert
back to doing **evil** in the
sight of the Lord.



As long as Israel **focused**
on God they experienced
peace, when they took
their **eyes off** of God they
reverted back to self
(& they **FAILED**)



SO WHAT?

