



Judges:

Coulda
Shoulda

But Didn't

Judges 3:1-8





WILL YOU
OBEY?

Judges 3:1-2

When the Children of
Israel were **focused** on
God things went **well**



Look to a Few Instances of
Israel **NOT** being Skilled

Warriors:

1) The **Direction** God Led
Israel **After** the Exodus

Exodus 13:17-18



2) When Israel's Backs
Were Up Against the
Red Sea (Exodus 14:10-12)

3) When They 1st Sent in
Spies to the Promised Land
Numbers 13:25-33



We DON'T have to know
How God is going to do it,
we just NEED to be **willing**
to Trust God to do it!



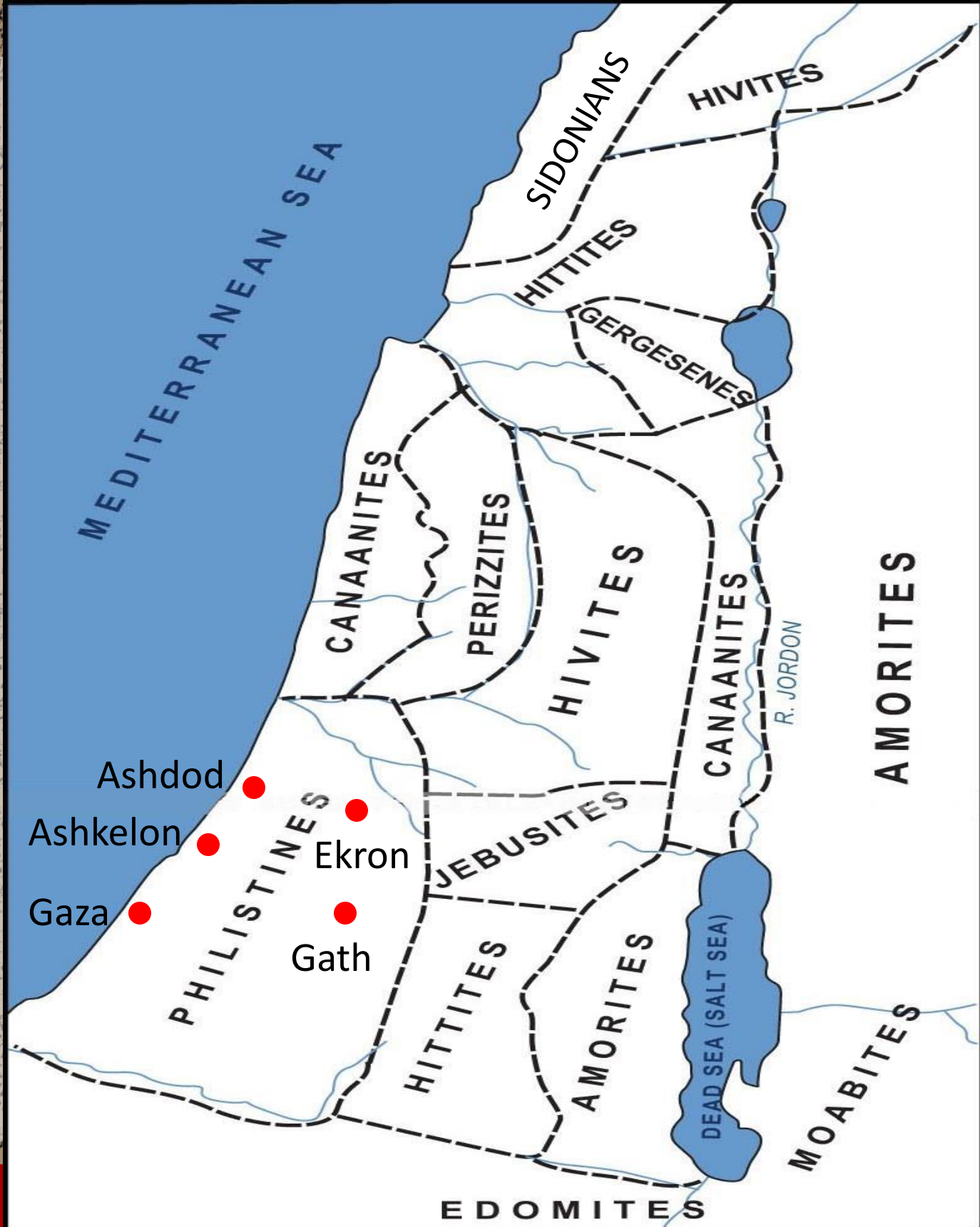
God allowed these foreign
nations to **stay** to test Israel
("To Test" = to **prove** them;
to try them; to train them)

Judges 3:3



The Five Lords of the
Philistines were from the
areas of Gaza, Ashdod,
Ashkelon, **Gath**, & **Ekron**





Judges 3:4



The Children of Israel
had made some **poor**
choices, which led to
these foreign nations **still**
being in the land



Like the father waiting for
the Prodigal Son to return
home, God was there
waiting for Israel to **obey**
& follow Him

Judges 3:5-6



But Israel continues to
make **BAD choices**



God wanted Israel to be
a **display nation** (a people
who clearly **reflected** God
to the rest of the world)



Israel chose to **disobey**
God & the heartbreaking
result is they end up
servicing other gods

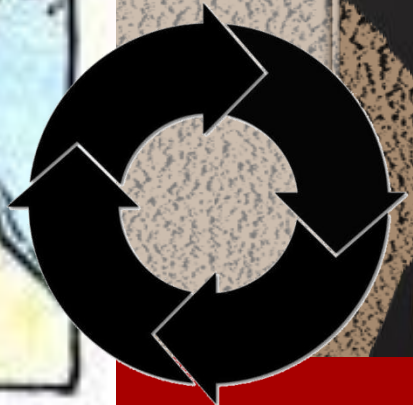
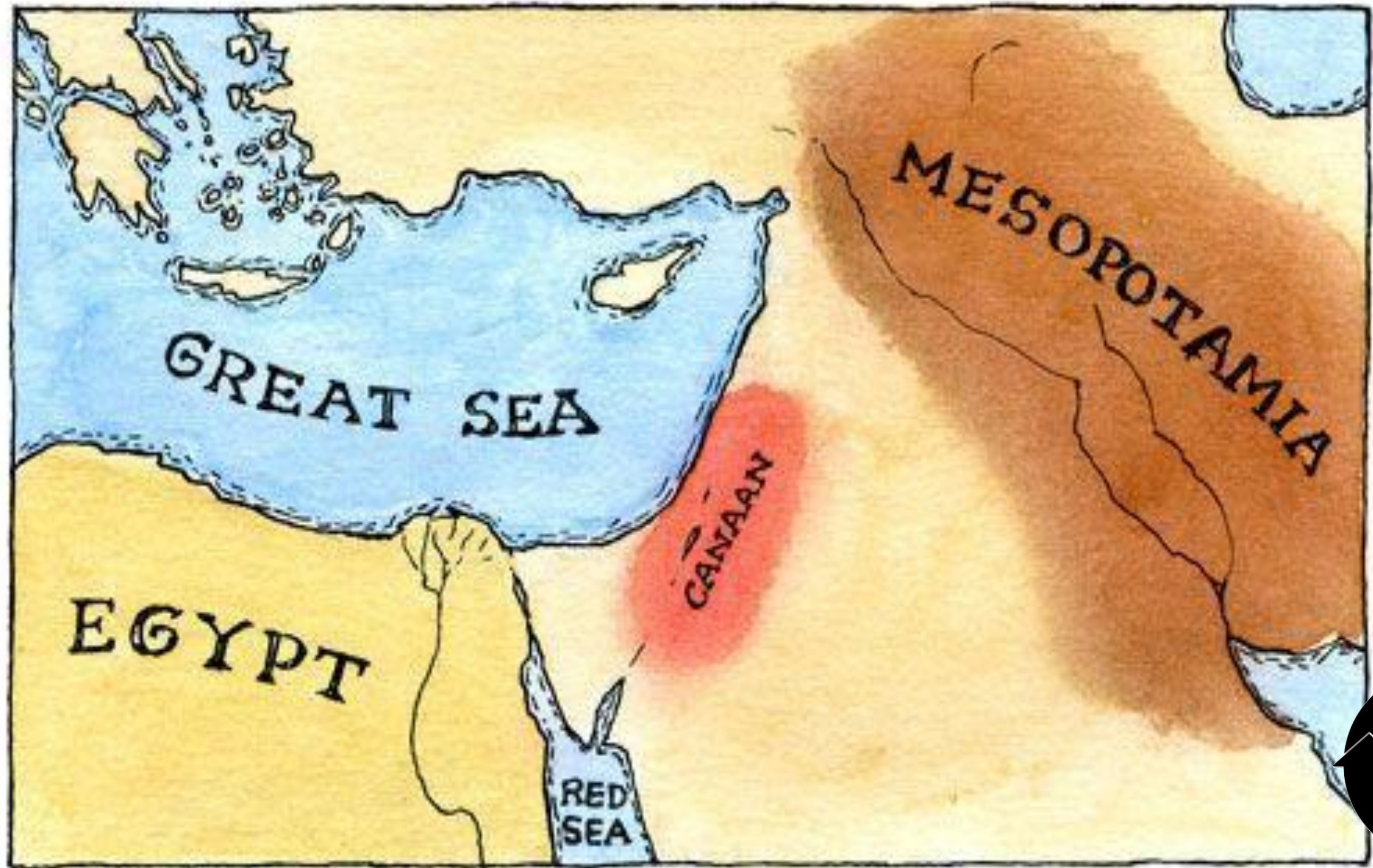
Judges 3:7



Judges 3:8

Israel chose to do **evil** &
there are **consequences**
for our choices





SO WHAT?

