

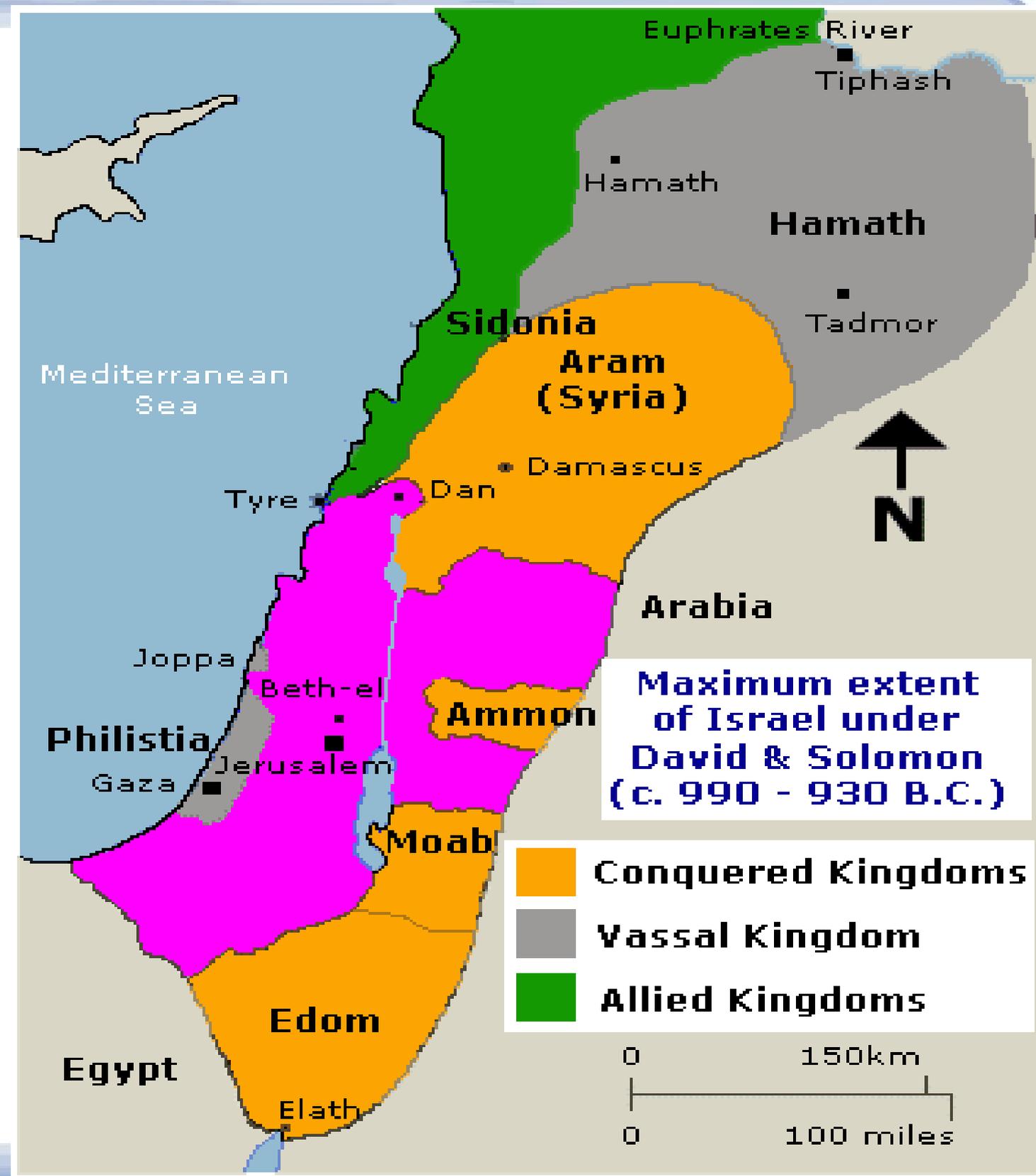


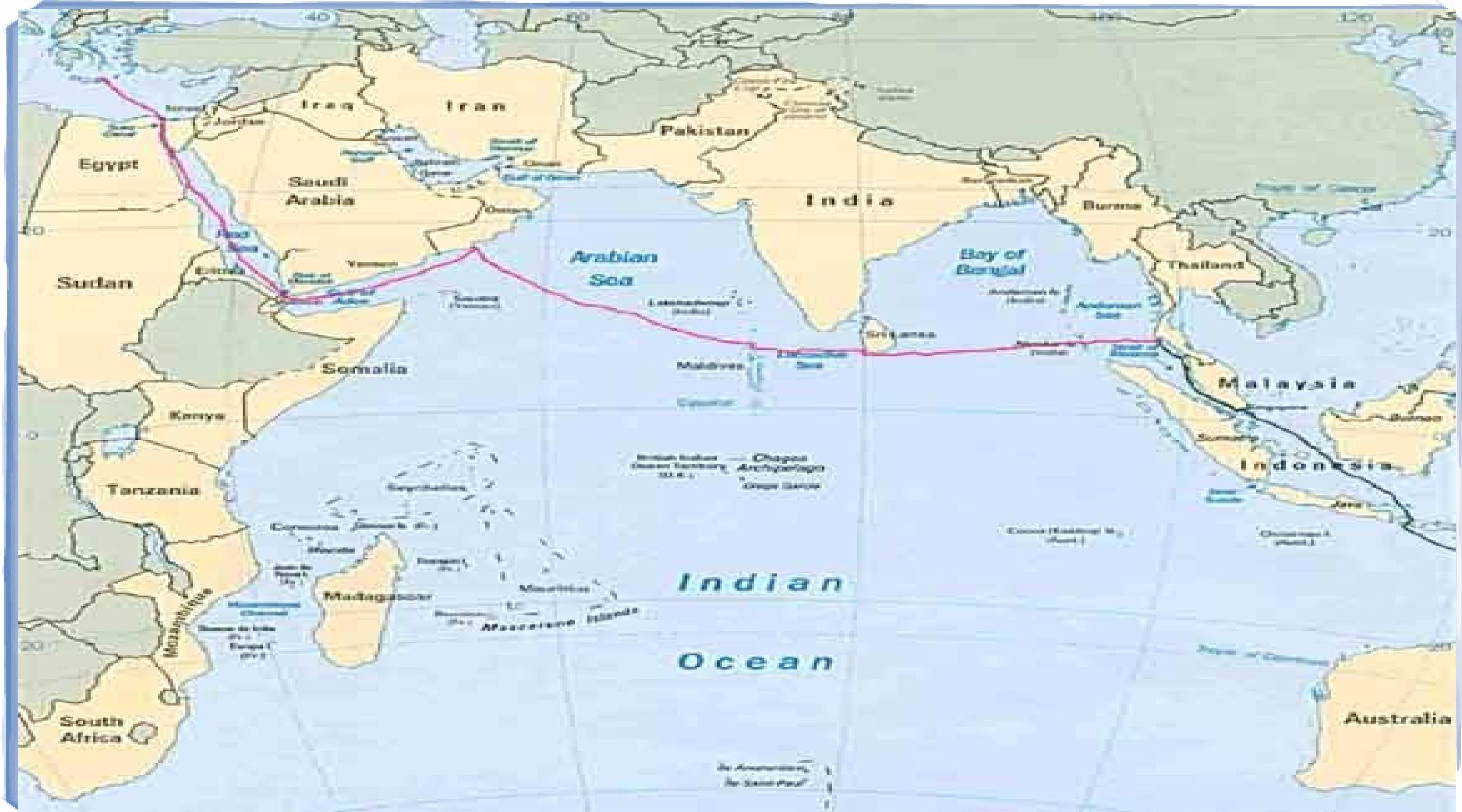
Delighting God is Our Desire!
Jeremiah 9:24

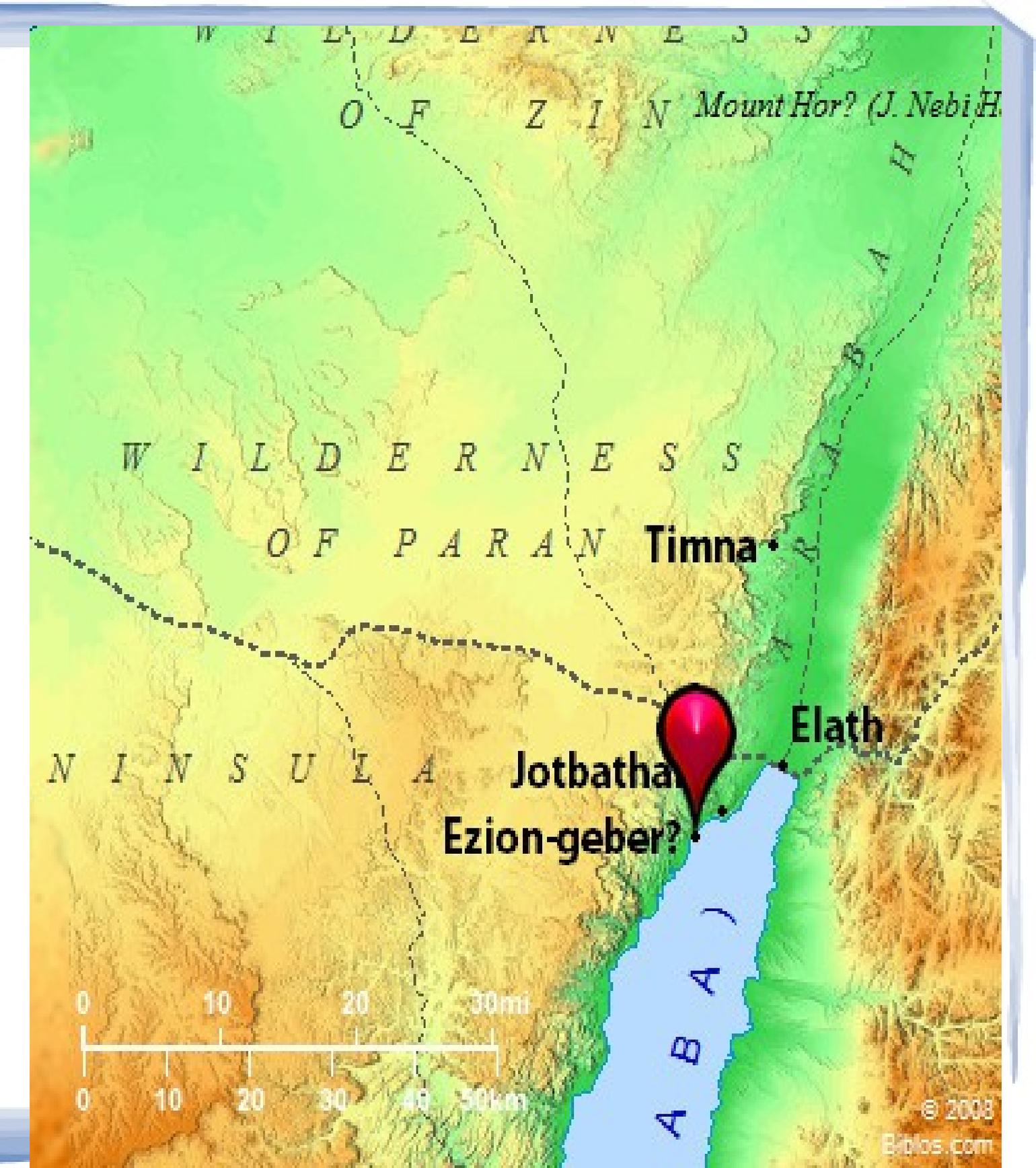
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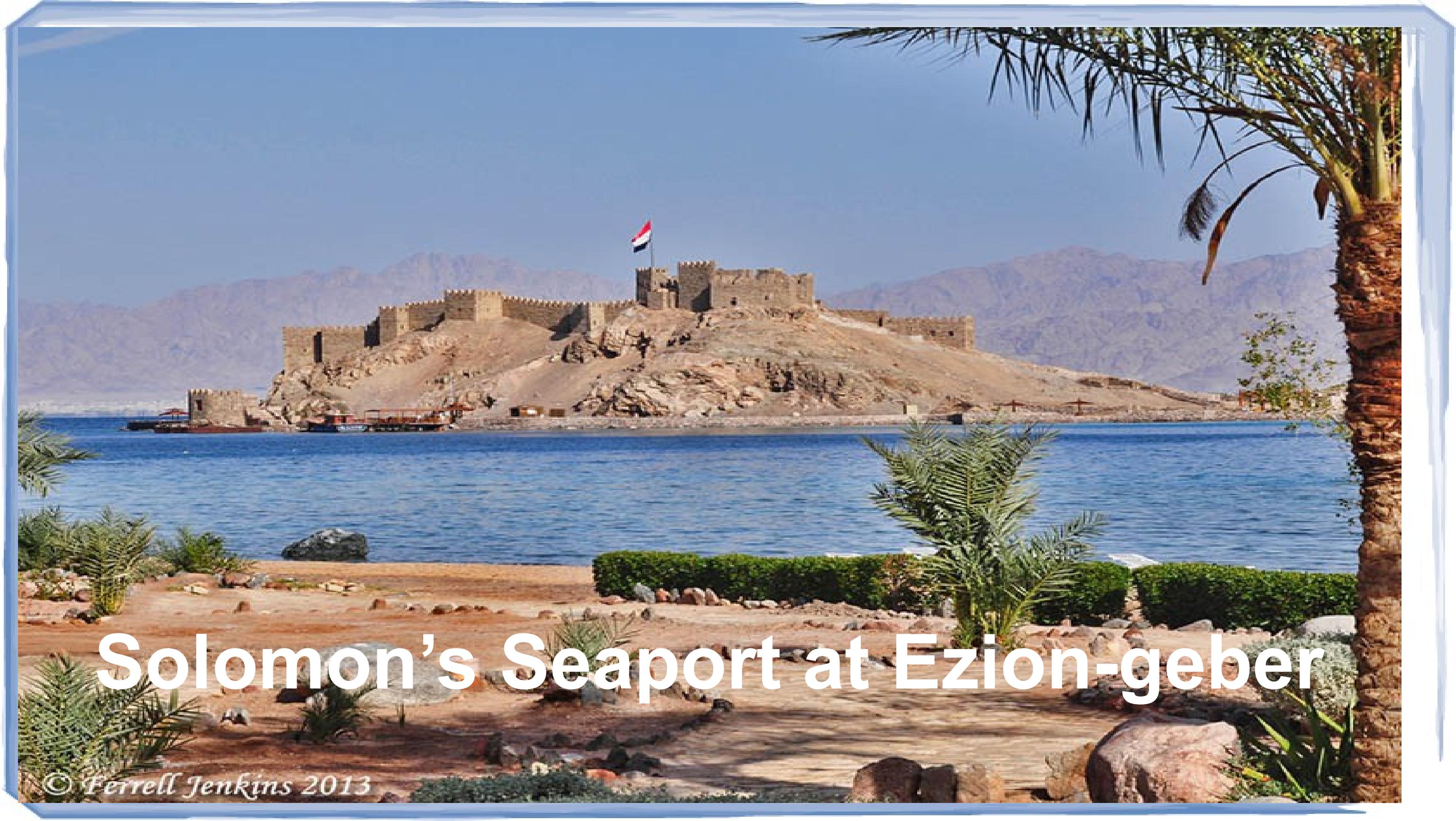
Why does Your Boat **FLOAT?** (part one)

(1 Kings 9:26-28 and 10:9;
2 Corinthians 9:6-15)









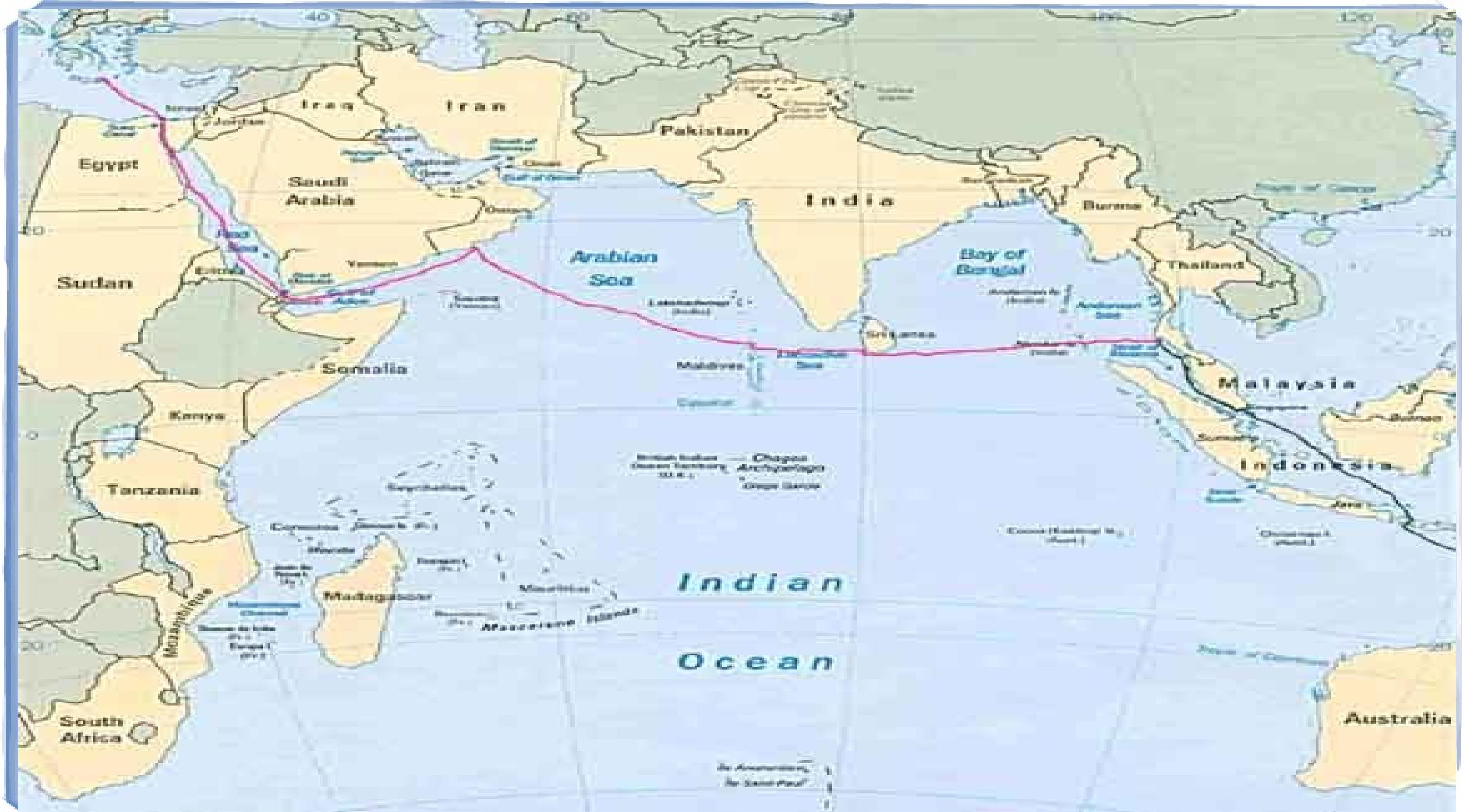
Solomon's Seaport at Ezion-geber



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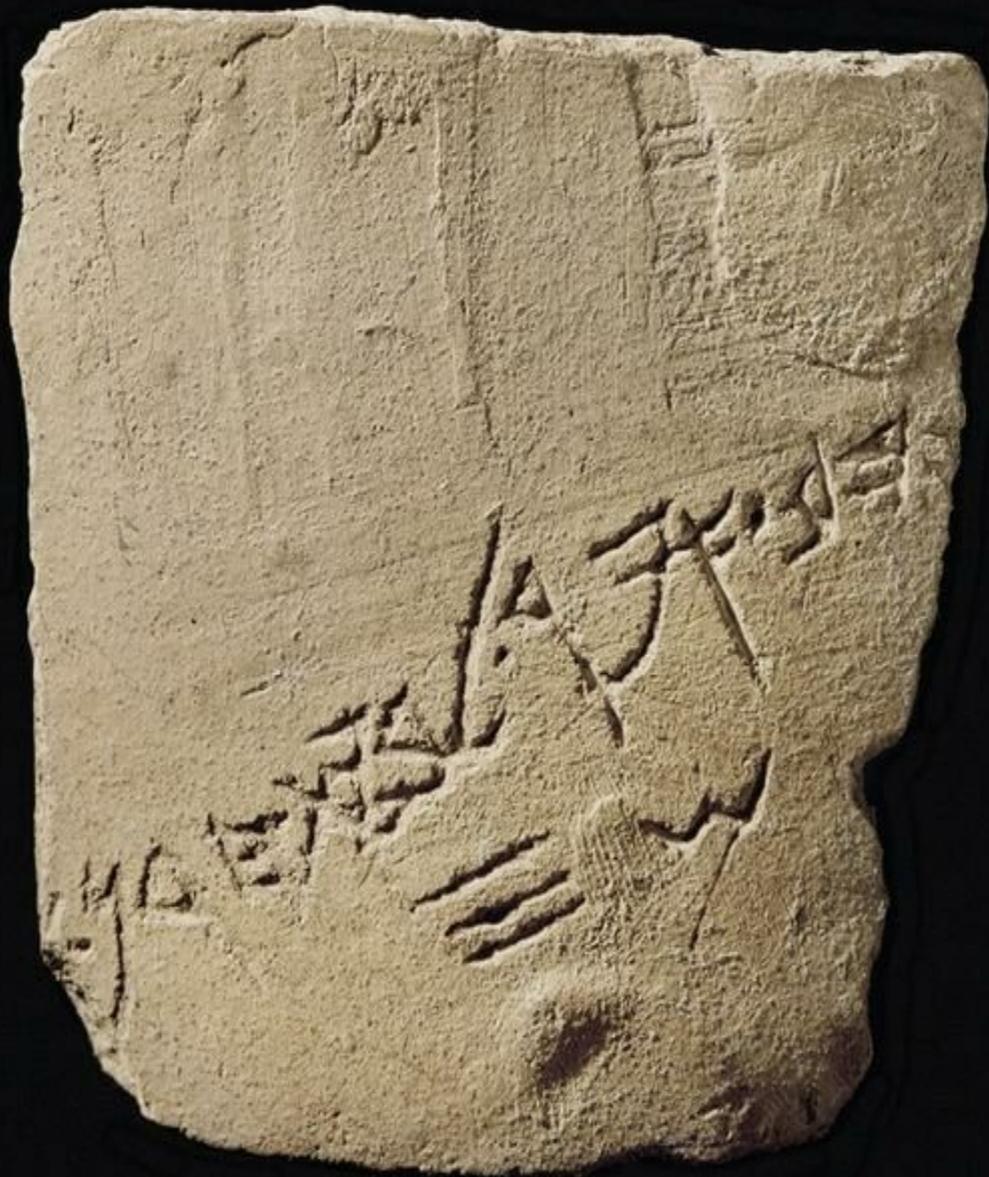




**As of January 23, 2025
Gold was \$160,360,000.00
per metric ton**

**Solomon's Gold (420 talents)
weighed between
14.5 and 18 metric tons**

**Street value today is between:
\$2,325,220,000.00 and \$2,886,480,000.00
(yes that is \$Billion\$)**



Ophir (pronounced Ofeer)
is considered the
Lost Mine of King Solomon!
In 1946 an Ostrakon (pot shard)
was found at the
archaeological excavations
of Tell Qasile (a site in Tel Aviv)
with inscription:
“Gold from Ophir
to bet Horon – 30 shekels”

1 – God's Blessing creates
OPPORTUNITY

A – Solomon's prosperity was
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1 – He ACTIVELY served Jehovah

a – With his

RESOURCES,

INFLUENCE,

and OPPORTUNITIES

2 – He led with

JUSTICE and **RIGHTEOUSNESS**

a – Justice in Hebrew: *mišpāṭ* (*mish-pawt*)
privilege, or act, of making a **DECISION**

b - Righteousness in Hebrew: *ṣ̣edāq* (*sed-aw-kaw'*)
ETHICAL action in doing right



B – God **BLESSED** Solomon



1 – **OBEDIENCE** brought the Blessing

2 – He **SHARED** the Blessing

a – by building the **TEMPLE**,
strengthening his **NATION**,

providing for **OTHERS**

2 – We possess

God's **PURPOSE**

because everything we have

BELONGS to Him

A – His Blessing

CREATES

Opportunity

B – His Blessing

POINTS

others to Him

3 – Our Blessing comes through our
OBEDIENCE

A – We must

GROW our faith with **PURPOSE**

1 - His **KINGDOM** comes **FIRST**

2 - We find

CHEER in our **FAITHFULNESS**

B – We **REVEAL** God to the World

1 – **GENEROSITY** matters

a – for the **BODY** of **CHRIST**

b – for an **EXAMPLE**



God Has a
Challenge
For You

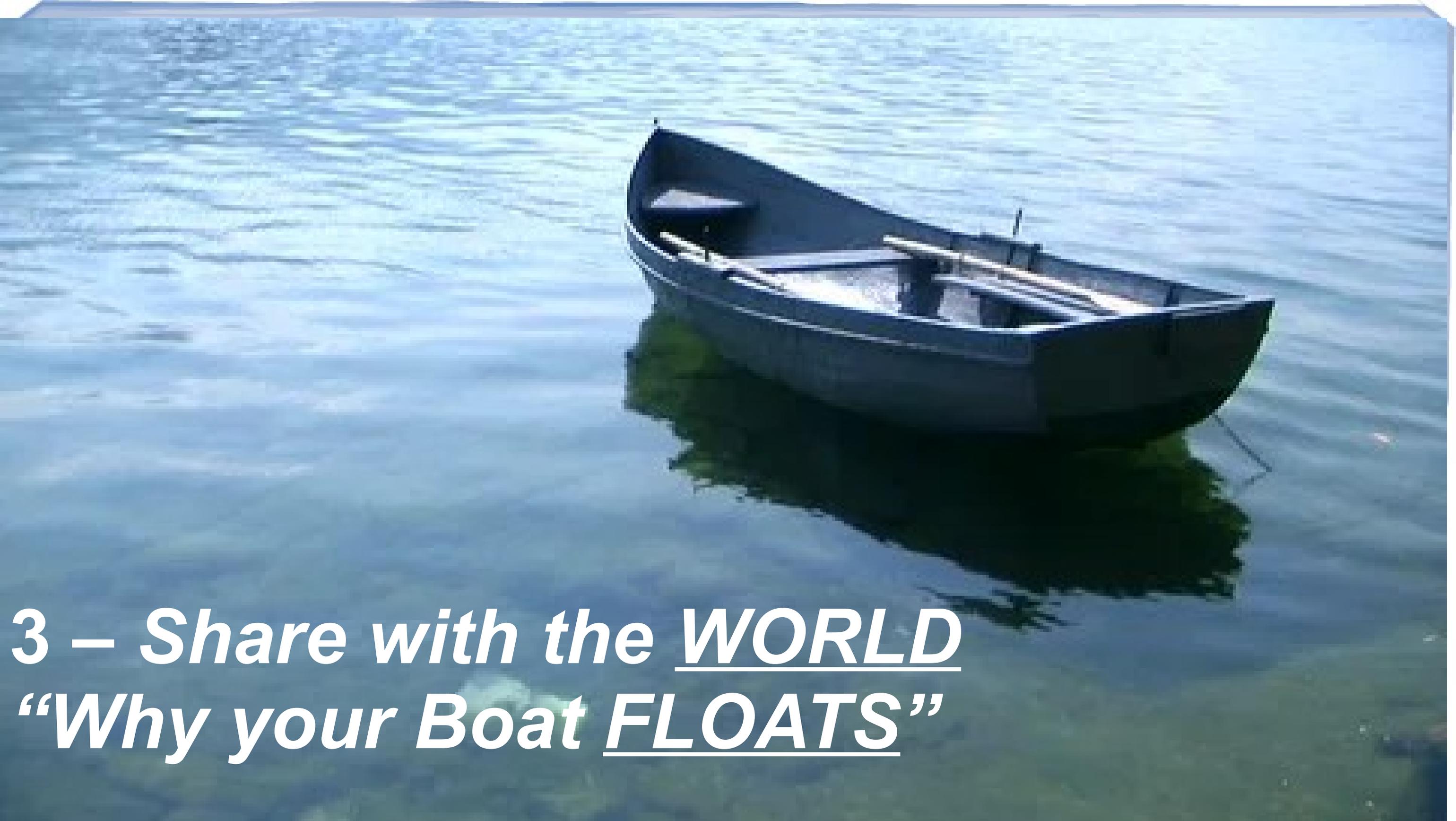
C – The **CHALLENGE**
is.....

1 – Find someone to
INVEST
in with your time, money, energy!



2 – Walk
INTO
the
OPPORTUNITY!



A small, dark wooden boat is shown floating on a body of water. The water is calm, and the boat's reflection is clearly visible on the surface. The boat has a simple, traditional design with a pointed bow and stern. The overall scene is peaceful and serene.

3 – Share with the WORLD
“Why your Boat FLOATS”

