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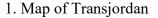
The Theology of the Unseen Realm: How God Uses Angels, Demons and the Holy Assembly

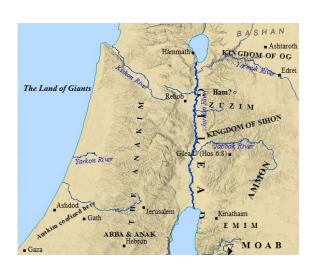
"Epilogue Lesson 2: Archaeology and the Giants"

I. Findings in Israel

- A. Land of the Giants Old Bashan
 - 1. King Og (One of the two kings killed during the Transjordan campaign. (The other was Sihon.)
 - a. Deuteronomy 3:11

"11 (For only Og king of Bashan was left of the remnant of the <u>Rephaim</u>. Behold, his bedstead was an iron bedstead; it is in Rabbah of the sons of Ammon. Its length was nine cubits and its width four cubits by ordinary cubit.)"





- b. Bed or coffin of Og.
 - 1. Pictures
- 2. There is an ancient earthwork site located in the Bashan region. Today, the area is known as the Golan Heights. The earthwork site is named the "Gilgal Rephaim" – Hebrew meaning is "Wheel of the Giants".



a. The site was discovered by the Israeli Air Force during the Six Day War (1967). Presently, the area is claimed by both Israel and Syria and is an occupied Territory of the Israel.





- c. The expanding circles site is 520 feet (173 yards, almost two football fields) in diameter and is constructed of 42,000 tons of basalt rock, stone and dirt.
 - For perspective on the tonnage, consider that the entire gold reserve of the USA now amounts to 8,600 tons which is down from its high of 18,000 tons prior to World War II.
 - 2. Also of note is God's prohibition of sky worship within Israel.
 - a. Deuteronomy 4:19

"19 And beware not to lift up your eyes to heaven and see the <u>sun</u> and the <u>moon</u> and the <u>stars</u>, all the host of heaven, and be drawn away and worship them and serve them, those which the Lord your God has allotted to all the peoples under the whole heaven."

b. Ephesians 2:2

- "² in which you formerly walked according to the course of this world, according to the <u>prince of the power of the air</u>, of the spirit that is now working in the sons of disobedience."
- d. YouTube. "A Close Look at the Ancient Megalithic Site Rujm-el Hiri". i24 News 4:36 minutes.
- e. The spokes and wheel are synchronized with annual astronomical events.

- See Berkowitch, Adam Eliyanu. "The Equinox Marked at Dawn in the
 Wheel of the Giants of Bashan." Posted September 22, 2019.

 Israel365News.com. https://israel365news.com/333467/equinox-marked-dawn-in-the-wheel-giants-bashan.
- 2. YouTube video: Wheel of the Giants <u>Megalithomania</u> 13:33. (Megalithic structure Prehistoric monuments made of large stones.)
- 3. Near to the immediate area of "The Wheel of Giants" is another strange formation.
- a. A quarter mile away from the above mentioned site is a ridge which runs threequarters of a mile long, 200 feet wide and 25 feet high that resembles a "Serpent from the Air." Daniel A. Biddle, "Nephilim", Genesis Apologetics, 2024, p. 14.
- b. Arial Map diagram showing the site and burial locations.
- anomaly, but those who
 previously lived within this area
 constructed over one hundred
 megalithic burial sites on top of
 the ridge. These burial sites

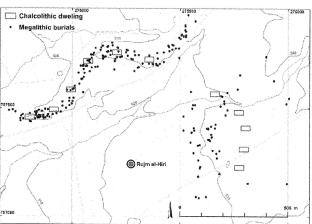


Figure 3. Distribution of various architectural features in the immediate surroundings of the Wheel of Giants (Rujm el-Hiri). 14

would have been used several hundred years before King Og. See Derek Gilbert, "Stones, Serpents, and the Scar on the Face of the Earth." Posted December 29, 2019, Genesix Productions. http://www.gensix.com/stones-serpents-scar/

- B. Giant Weapons and Body Armor
 - 1. Goliath's spear
 - a. Over nine feet tall
 - b. Fifteen pound spear head
 - c. The shaft may have been 2 inches thick and ten feet long

- d. The total weight was around twenty-five pounds
 - 1. Some can hold and move a spear of this size; fighting is a different story unless you happen to be the size of Goliath. Otherwise, the mechanics do not work. Goliath's scale armor was 125 pounds which fits with his spear size and height. Daniel Biddle. *The Nephilim*. Genesis Apologetics, 2024, p. 43.
- There is a famous 1962 report concerning a farmer within Israel who found a weapons cache near Kfar Monash where David would have fought Goliath.
 - a. YouTube video: "Archeology Evidence for Giants of the Bible? Expedition Bible, Teaching of Joel Kramer. 12:59 in length. (No response to my contact.)

1. II Samuel 21:16

"¹⁶ Then Ishbi-benob, who was among the descendants of the giant, the weight of whose spear was three hundred shekels of bronze in weight, was girded with a new sword, and he intended to kill David."

a. 300 shekels of Broz equals 7.5 pounds. See Richard D. Phillips.
 Reformed Expository Commentary: 2 Samuel, P&R Publishing,
 Phillipsburg, NJ, 2018, p 375.

II. A Closer Examination of the Life of Enoch

A. Introduction.

- 1. Enoch's name was raised several times during the class. I think his life contains an admonition and comfort for us.
 - a. He is unique in that he did not experience death.
 - b. Additionally, the non-canonical book of I Enoch was cited.
 - 1. I noted the interdependence of Enoch with Jude and II Peter.
- B. We do not know much about him.

1. Old Testament – Genesis 5:21-24

"²¹ Enoch lived sixty-five years, and became the father of Methuselah. ²² Then Enoch walked with God three hundred years after he became the father of Methuselah, and he had other sons and daughters. ²³ So all the days of Enoch were three hundred and sixty-five years. ²⁴ Enoch walked with God; and he was not, for God took him."

2. New Testament – Hebrews 11:5

"5 By faith Enoch was taken up so that he would not see death; and he was not found because God took him up; for he obtained the witness that before his being taken up he was pleasing to God."

C. Key thoughts.

- 1. The normal expression within the Genesis record is that a person lived X years after he became the father of Y. This expression is changed with Enoch.
 - a. He simply "walked with God" (5:22).
 - b. "This verb (walked) is often employed idiomatically to mean 'to commune'
 " John D. Curried, Genesis, Vol. I., Webster, NY: Evangelical Press,
 2003, p. 164.
 - c. This Enoch walked with God while the descendant of Cain, with the same name, had a city named after him (Gen. 4:17).
- 2. However, there is something else. The first time this verb occurs in the Hebrew text is in Genesis 3:8. God was walking through the Garden. The text says that it was "in the cool of the day".
 - a. Consequently, "in the evening it was God's practice to take walks with our first parents." Tim Keller podcast, "Enoch and the Purpose of Faith." April 9, 2025.
 - b. My walks with Diedre to download her on the events of the day and to learn of my day and my direction of the family learning and discipline.

- c. Remembering Elder Wayne Alderson (PCUSA) and his work in mediation between union workers and management in Pittsburgh during the 1960s.
 - 1. Some workers would say, "This is a good mill. The managers <u>walk</u> with us."
 - a. In the Semitic world "walk" meant to be in partnership.
- D. How do we walk with God? We must know and meditate on His Word. This is how we know him.
 - 1. Paul writes, "If we live by the spirit, let us also keep in step with the spirit." (Gal. 5:25). Therefore, he adds, "As you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk with him." (Col. 2:6).
 - 2. "It is to make it our constant care and endeavor in everything to please God, and in nothing to offend him." Matthew Henry, Commentary on the Whole Bible, 6 vols. Peabody, MA: Hendrickson, 1991. 1.40.
- E. Think of the first sin In essence God did not have our best interests in mind while the serpent did?? This is the human distorted thinking.
- F. Enoch walked and preached. (His name means "Initiated, dedicated, teach and correct").
 - 1. The <u>tighter we walk with God</u>, live and preach what we know, then we close off all avenues for temptation and attacks from the powers of darkness.
- G. Remember how we were saved, and how we must preach the truth.
 - 1. Titus 3:3-7
 - "³ For we also once were foolish ourselves, disobedient, deceived, enslaved to various lusts and pleasures, spending our life in malice and envy, hateful, hating one another. ⁴ But when the kindness of God our Savior and His love for mankind appeared, ⁵ He saved us, not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness, but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit, ⁶ whom He poured out upon us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, ⁷ so that being justified by His grace we would be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life."

- 2. God regenerated us to <u>walk with Him</u> in pleasant communion. How is your walk going?
 - a. You can't walk with God if you are <u>running</u> from God. (Too busy)
 - b. You can't walk with God if you are <u>sleeping</u> on God. (Too lethargic)
 - c. You can't walk with God if you aren't <u>listening</u> to God. (Listening to everything else)
 - d. You can't walk with God if you aren't <u>praying</u> to God. (The lens is not focused.)
 - 1. Illustration: The compass always points north as our soul points to Christ.
 - 2. Illustration: The danger of today and the reversal of Babel.
- III. What about findings in other global locations?
 - A. The number one global location of confirmed giant remains.
 - 1. These remains are typically found in mounds (heaps of dirt and rock).
 - 2. Where? America.
 - a. As we think about next week, consider this observation:
 - "The eyes of that species of extinct giants whose bones fill the mounds of America, have gazed on Niagara as ours do now."
 - Who made the remark? Collected Works of Abraham Lincoln. M Library Digital Collections, Vol. 2. (Sept. 3, 1848 – Aug. 21, 1858). Search giants.
 - 3. We will learn more next week!

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