

In The Temple Of The Philistines

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Explore the historical and biblical significance of the Temple of the Philistines, a key site in ancient narratives. This sacred edifice, often associated with the worship of Dagon and the dramatic story of Samson, offers a fascinating glimpse into the culture and religious practices of the Philistines. Discover its architectural context and enduring legacy within biblical history.

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In the Temple of the Philistines contains memories, notes, and documents from the authors ongoing attempts to find out the truth of his life and how it has been used to maintain an age of illusion under the aegis of the American Presidency and the British Crown. It follows six other volumes of writings that assert that much of what we know as history, science, and medicine is untrue. The assassination of John F. Kennedy is the chief of these false events. Chen suggests that it was staged to provide a pretext for removing the President when he became guilty of a crime considered too sordid to put before the public: the murder of a troublesome woman, possibly a prostitute. Chen suggests that Kennedys scandal was added to a slightly similar one that had been inherited from the past of Franklin D. Roosevelt, one that Americans chose to laugh off, to reject as foreign, and eventually to regard as a matter of national security and pride. Both FDRs and JFKs secrets, Chen believes, lie buried in New York City, where Chen himself has lived since shortly after the Second World War and where his life has been made the captive basis of fictions, jokes, shams, and illusions: a temple of the Philistines. Besides touching on such conspiracy theories, the papers in this book include glimpses into the authors ordinary life, which he has also described in his other books; some errata; and an index to all his books.

Yavneh

In the words of late Professor Moshe Kochavi, the Philistine repository pit at Yavneh is the kind of discovery made only once every fifty years. It is the richest repository pit ever found from Bronze and Iron Ages Israel/Palestine, containing thousands of cultic finds originating from a temple, including an unprecedented number - more than a hundred - of cult stands (so-called 'architectural models') carrying rich figurative art, dozens of fire-pans, chalices and other objects. The present volume includes the full publication of the excavation, the stratigraphy, the cult stands and the figures detached from cult stands, several clay and stone altars and some pottery vessels related to burning of plant material, most likely incense. This exceptional book raises a host of highly important and intriguing questions. Is this a favissa, or even a genizah? Why are many cult stands badly broken, while some are intact - were cult stands broken on purpose? What is the explanation for the unique stratigraphy and for the layer of gray ash in the pit - was fire kindled inside as part of a ritual? How do we know that these finds are Philistine? Are they part of the 'furniture' of the temple or objects dedicated by worshippers as votives? Do the figures on the cult stands represent mortal beings, or divinities? If divinities, can we relate them with Biblical or extra-biblical data on the gods of the Philistines? What was the function/s of cult stands? Were they models of buildings, supports for images, offering tables, altars, or perhaps incense burners? Why

are female figures dominant, while male figures are virtually absent? In discussing such topics, Yavneh I treats issues that are central to many fields of study: religion and cult in Iron Age Israel/Palestine; the history and archaeology of the Philistines and their 'western' relations; Near Eastern iconography, the meaning of cult stands/architectural models and the understanding of votive objects and of repository pits in general. Literally salvaged from the teeth of a bulldozer, these rare finds are now published. Generations of scholars will discuss and reinterpret them - there is no 'final word' for such finds and hence, this final excavation volume is not an end, but a beginning.

The Philistines: Their History and Civilization

Macalister here presents, in convenient form, a summary of what was known about the Philistine people by the early twentieth century. This volume is an expansion of a course of three lectures, delivered in 1911 before the British Academy under the Schweich Fund.

The Temple of the Lord

Three stories deal with the development of the Temple of God, where wisdom can be found in the Old Testament and in the life of Jesus, and the theme of Messiah.

The Philistines

Among the Nations that came within the purview of the Old Testament Writers--nations seldom mentioned without stricture, whether for idolatry, immorality, or cruelty--perhaps none were the object of so concentrated an aversion as were the Philistines. The licentiousness of the Amorites, the hard-heartedness of the Egyptian taskmasters, the fiendish savagery of the Assyrian warriors, each of these in turn receives its due share of condemnation. The following little book is an attempt to collect in a convenient form the information so far available about the Philistine people. This short monograph on the Philistines is one of the few on these mysterious people. The Philistines may have been emigrants from Mycenaean Greece, part of the 'Sea People' migrations of the 12th century BCE. The Philistines occupied an area on the Mediterranean coast approximately corresponding to the current Gaza strip. Note that the ancient Philistines have no connection with the modern Palestinians: the Philistines disappeared in the 5th century BCE. We have no written texts in the original Philistine words except for a few Hebrew loan-words. There is evidence that Philistine was an Indo-European language. Later, they adopted Aramaic, a Semitic language. The Philistines pop up in some of the most dramatic tales of the Bible. Who can forget Samson tearing down the Philistine temple with his bare hands? Or the ultimate long-odds battle: young David versus the Philistine Goliath. Macalister was born in Dublin, Ireland, the son of Alexander Macalister, then Professor of Zoology, University of Dublin. His father was appointed professor of anatomy at Cambridge University in 1883, and he was educated at The Perse School, and then studied at Cambridge University. Although his earliest interest was in the archaeology of Ireland, he soon developed a strong interest in biblical archaeology. Along with Frederick J. Bliss, he excavated several towns in the Shephelah region of Ottoman Palestine from 1898 to 1900. Using advances in stratigraphy building on the work of Flinders Petrie, they developed a chronology for the region using ceramic typology. Upon Bliss' retirement, Macalister became director of excavations for the Palestine Exploration Fund (PEF) in 1901.

Jerusalem in the Time of Nehemiah

2ND REVISED EDITION Jerusalem after the Babylonian captivity was all but destroyed. It was in the time of Nehemiah, governor of the province of Judah or Yehud, that the grand reconstruction of the city took place. Jerusalem in the Time of Nehemiah takes us on an Archaeological Tour of Nehemiah's Jerusalem illuminating all the sites, gates and walls of the city. It is richly illustrated with models of reconstructions, photographs, drawings and illustrative maps.,

The Philistines in Transition

This history of the Philistines ca. 1000 - 730 B.C.E. is the first to examine this period in detail, paying particular attention to a detailed evaluation of the unfortunately meager textual evidence available.

Antiquities of the Jews ; Book - VI

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The Harvest Handbook of Bible Lands

"The scope of your learning...will be unlimited and enhanced by leaps and bounds as you use this wonderful tool." from the Foreword by Walter C. Kaiser, Jr New discoveries are constantly being made as archaeologists work to uncover the ancient history of the Bible lands to tell a more complete story of the people, customs, and events of that era. Archaeologist Steven Collins and Bible scholar Joseph M. Holden have spent decades making and researching those discoveries and now offer a wealth of information based on the latest findings. This exciting addition to The Harvest Handbook™ series provides a textual and visual bird's-eye view of ancient Near Eastern biblical geography, culture, history, and chronology. If you're looking for an accurate, readable, and user-friendly resource to further your study of God's Word, The Harvest Handbook™ of Bible Lands provides a valuable backdrop for biblical narratives and literature. With the most up-to-date information from biblical and archaeological disciplines, you will find your knowledge greatly enriched through well-written narrative-style text, numerous maps, instructive photographs, illustrations, and charts. This must-have tool will become your favorite resource as you study Scripture.

Calmet's Dictionary of the Holy Bible, by the Late Mr. Charles Taylor ... Third Edition

Bible readers, Sunday school teachers, and study leaders have loved Kay Arthur's New Inductive Study Series since 1994, and now, 17 years and 1.4 million copies later, the collection is complete! As readers learn and practice the exciting principles of inductive Bible study, they will discover for themselves the meaning and relevance of well-known but seldom understood images from the book of Ezekiel, including the wheel in the wheel, the valley of dry bones, and the watchman on the wall. As they become adept at observing the text, interpreting its meaning, and applying it to their lives, they will follow the story of Ezekiel from the heartbreak of the fall of Jerusalem and the Babylonian captivity to the inexpressible joy of worship in the heavenly tabernacle.

What Is Yet to Come

Geller is Irma Cameron Milstein Professor of Bible at Jewish Theological Seminary. Geller's attention to language and interest in applying the methods of literary analysis to the Hebrew Bible are reflected in his work throughout his career. He has addressed such topics as "The Dynamics of Parallel Verse" in Deuteronomy 32, the "Language of Imagery in Psalm 114," and the literary uses of "Cleft Sentences with Pleonastic Pronoun." Combining a historical orientation with deep exegeses of individual texts, he has focused on the contribution that the literary approach might make to the study of biblical religion. He has developed what he terms a "literary theology," in which, by examining the literary devices in the passage under consideration, he has been able to formulate emerging religious ideas that the ancient writers did not express in systematic treatises. His method is illustrated in his studies of texts that represent the major religious traditions of the Hebrew Bible; these studies have been collected in *Sacred Enigmas*, published in 1997. The essays in this volume were contributed by colleagues, friends, and students of Stephen A. Geller to mark the occasion of his 65th birthday. Contributors include: Tzvi Abusch, Marc Z. Brettler, Alan Cooper, Frank Moore Cross, Stephen Garfinkel, Edward L. Greenstein, Robert A. Harris, S. Tamar Kamionkowski, Kathryn F. Kravitz, Anne Lapidus Lerner, David Marcus, Yochanan Muffs, Benjamin Ravid, Michael Rosenbaum, Raymond P. Scheindlin, William M. Schniedewind, Diane M. Sharon, Benjamin D. Sommer.

Bringing the Hidden to Light

Israel's Intrepid Warrior: The Dauntless Courage of Samson is a distinctively powerful and suspenseful narrative on Samson. At this time, because of Israel's disobedience, God had allowed this nation to be mightily chastised by the Philistines. However, when they turned from their sins and asked Him for help, His incomparable compassion responded quickly. God called Samson and equipped him with supernatural strength. This narrative dramatically shows, in graphic scenery, how this strongman single-handedly delivered Israel from the domination of the Philistines. And with his display of supernatural strength, he became the one and only real life superman. As the Spirit of God moved upon Samson, his heart was stirred to travel to the land of the Philistines, for he was in great admiration of the Philistine women. And he met several women. But this was God's way of agitating the Philistines to begin the deliverance of Israel. Finally, Samson met a young maiden named Delilah. And his deep love for her became his downfall. And with her deceitful seduction, she enticed him relentlessly, that he told her the secret of his great strength. Then, she betrayed him to the lords of the Philistines. Samson was captured by the Philistines and used as a beast of burden. At last, he was placed between two pillars of

the temple to perform. But he turned to the Lord and prayed. And God heard his prayer and restored his strength. Quickly, Samson took hold of the two pillars and pushed until the temple came crashing down killing more enemies of the Philistines than he had killed in all his life. And he killed all of the lords of the Philistines.

Israel's Intrepid Warrior

"Though 'biblical theology' has long been considered a strictly Christian enterprise, Marvin A. Sweeney here proposes a Jewish theology of the Hebrew Bible, based on the importance of Tanak as the foundation of Judaism and organized around the major components: Torah, Nevi'im (Prophets), and Kethuvim (Writings). Sweeney finds the structuring themes of Jewish life: the constitution of the nation Israel in relation to God; the disruption of that ideal, documented by the Prophets; and the reconstitution of the nation around the Second Temple in the Writings. Throughout he is attentive to tensions within and among the texts and the dialogical character of Israel's sacred heritage" -- Publisher description.

Tanak

When the Israelites begin disobeying God, He is not pleased. Why can't they simply obey His instructions instead of worshipping false gods? He decides to punish the Israelites by sending the fearsome Philistines to oppress them. But God still loves the people of Israel. And He has a plan to save them - a plan that includes a boy named Samson who would grow up to be a mighty warrior and help save the Israelites from the Philistines. Filled with colorful illustrations and biblical truth, Samson Mighty Warrior is part of the Bible Pathway Adventures® series of biblical adventures. If your children like gripping action and courageous Israelites, then they'll love this biblical adventure series from Bible Pathway Adventures. The search for truth is more fun than tradition!

Samson Mighty Warrior

"A masterpiece of contemporary Bible translation and commentary."—Los Angeles Times Book Review, Best Books of 1999 Acclaimed for its masterful new translation and insightful commentary, The David Story is a fresh, vivid rendition of one of the great works in Western literature. Robert Alter's brilliant translation gives us David, the beautiful, musical hero who slays Goliath and, through his struggles with Saul, advances to the kingship of Israel. But this David is also fully human: an ambitious, calculating man who navigates his life's course with a flawed moral vision. The consequences for him, his family, and his nation are tragic and bloody. Historical personage and full-blooded imagining, David is the creation of a literary artist comparable to the Shakespeare of the history plays.

The David Story: A Translation with Commentary of 1 and 2 Samuel

The story of Samson in the Bible is told in just four chapters of the Book of Judges, but the story of his life is composed of a mosaic of events. This book examines many aspects of the unique figure of Samson: Samson as the chosen of God, who is destined to save the Israelites from Philistine oppression, and who ultimately dies with the Philistines; Samson, who appears on the stage of history as a promising leader but whose leadership fails; Samson the dissolute Nazirite; a powerful man who rips apart a lion as though it were a lamb, who uproots the gates of the city of Gaza and pulls down a pagan temple - but at the same time he succumbs to his women and is ruled by them. This book invites the reader to contemplate Samson's highly contradictory personality, to take up moral issues, and to reflect upon love and betrayal, life and death, family and society - subjects that have concerned people from antiquity to the present.

Samson

The CSB Study Bible is designed to help you know and be transformed by God's Word. The Bible features the highly readable, highly reliable text of the Christian Standard Bible (CSB) that keeps Scripture primary on every page. To inspire you to grow in your understanding and love for God's Word, the CSB Study Bible, includes an award-winning array of study resources including over 16,000 study notes, tools, and word studies--each tool presented on the same page as the verses it refers to. Whether you are preparing for future Bible studies or daily readings, this study Bible for men and women is the ideal resource for lifelong discipleship. Features include: 368 word studies to introduce you to the context and meaning behind key Greek and Hebrew words High-quality Smyth-sewn binding that will lie open whether you are reading Genesis 1 or Revelation 22 Full-color visuals

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CSB Study Bible, Purple LeatherTouch, Indexed

The articles in this volume have been written in memory of the feminist biblical scholar, Fokkelien van Dijk-Hemmes, who died at the early age of 50. The authors endeavour to continue and advance the dialogue with her by evaluating and interacting with her scholarly legacy. Their concern is with various aspects of her work on the Hebrew Bible, and they respond in particular to the feminist hermeneutics she developed for reading biblical texts. Several articles test her method in application to specific prophetic texts. Other contributions focus on aspects of the role of women in the cults of Ancient Israel. A third group of essays confronts Fokkelien van Dijk-Hemmes' approach with more traditional ways of biblical interpretation. This book is an important contribution to the ongoing debate on feminist insights into aspects of the literature, culture and religion of Ancient Israel.

On Reading Prophetic Texts

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Israel's Intrepid Warrior

"More than any other book, the Bible offers an amazing collection of fascinating characters ranging from the holiest of the holy to some of the most depraved scoundrels imaginable. Many are mentioned only in passing, yet history and archaeology can often fill in the blanks and flesh them out as exciting human beings. For this reason we have in many cases been able to tell much more about them than the Bible alone reveals." -- Richard R. Losch (from the preface) A comprehensive gathering of persons found in the Bible, including the Apocrypha, *All the People in the Bible* really delivers on its title: literally all of the Bible's characters appear in this fascinating reference work. From the first article on Aaron to the final entry on Zophar, Richard Losch details each person in a lively narrative style. The bulk of the book consists of Losch's A–Z articles covering the familiar and the not-so-familiar figures in Scripture. Names of people who are found only in genealogies or who had no significant effect on history are included solely in the alphabetical listing starting on page 452. That listing, "All the People in the Bible and Apocrypha," includes pronunciations, brief identifications, and biblical references. Persons covered in greater detail in the main part of the book are identified in bold print. Losch's intriguing look at all the people in the Bible is anything but a dry reference work. This is a book to dip into and enjoy over and over.

The City Temple Pulpit; Sermons with Lectures on Homiletics

The search for the biblical Philistines, one of ancient Israel's most storied enemies, has long intrigued both scholars and the public. Archaeological and textual evidence examined in its broader eastern Mediterranean context reveals that the Philistines, well-known from biblical and extrabiblical texts, together with other related groups of "Sea Peoples," played a transformative role in the development of new ethnic groups and polities that emerged from the ruins of the Late Bronze Age empires. The essays in this book, representing recent research in the fields of archaeology, Bible, and history, reassess the origins, identity, material culture, and impact of the Philistines and other Sea Peoples on the Iron Age cultures and peoples of the eastern Mediterranean. The contributors are Matthew J. Adams, Michal Artzy, Tristan J. Barako, David Ben-Shlomo, Mario Benzi, Margaret E. Cohen, Anat Cohen-Weinberger, Trude Dothan, Elizabeth French, Marie-Henriette Gates, Hermann Genz, Ayelet Gilboa, Maria Iacovou, Ann E. Killebrew, Sabine Laemmel, Gunnar Lehmann, Aren M. Maeir, Amihai Mazar, Linda Meiberg, Penelope A. Mountjoy, Hermann Michael Niemann, Jeremy B. Rutter, Ilan Sharon, Susan Sherratt, Neil Asher Silberman, and Itamar Singer.

NKJV, The American Patriot's Bible, eBook

The Bible is fundamental to Western culture. Political philosophers from Hobbes, Locke, Montesquieu, and Rousseau to modern political theorists such as George H. Sabine, Leo Strauss, and Sheldon S. Wolin have drawn upon biblical examples. American political leaders, such as Thomas Paine, Abraham Lincoln, and William Jennings Bryan all drew heavily upon the Bible. Today, most contemporary politicians display less familiarity with Scripture although many proudly proclaim themselves to be born-again Christians. *Politics in the Bible* has a simple goal: to help readers to think critically about how the Bible illuminates understanding of justice, leadership, and politics. For a political scientist, there are great advantages to studying the Bible. Students of the Bible have short texts to analyze, but they have a history of two thousand years of Jewish and Christian scholarly discussion. In that tradition, Paul R. Abramson analyzes stories drawn from eighteen of the thirty-nine books of the Hebrew Bible and fifteen of the twenty-seven books of the New Testament. Abramson argues that the Bible is a book that should be read even by those who do not believe it has any transcendent significance. One can

choose to read it as the revealed word of God, as a source of Western morality, as a compilation of interesting stories, poetry, and history, or as a work of great literature. Although this book discusses selected stories that have political implications, it also considers parts that have literary merit. This unusual volume may stimulate new thinking about the Bible as a source of insight into political ideas.

All the People in the Bible

Throughout the past three decades, Nadav Na'aman has repeatedly proved that he is one of the most careful historians of ancient Canaan and Israel. With broad expertise, he has brought together archaeology, text, and the inscriptional material from all of the ancient Near East to bear on the history of ancient Israel and the land of Canaan during the second and first millenniums B.C.E. Many of his studies have been published as journal articles or notes and yet, together, they constitute one of the most important bodies of literature on the subject in recent years, particularly because of the careful attention to methodology that Na'aman always has brought to his work. This final volume in the 3-volume set of Na'aman's collected essays contains 29 essays. Among the topics addressed are: the sources available to Israel's historians late in the first millennium B.C.E.; the reality behind the narratives relating to the history of the United Monarchy; the effect of the author's own time on the composition of the histories of Saul, David, and Solomon; and the contributions of archaeology to the study of the tenth century B.C.E. In the course of covering these themes, Na'aman touches on topics such as history and historiography, textual and literary problems, historical geography, society, administration, cult, and religion.

The Philistines and Other "Sea Peoples" in Text and Archaeology

Offers compelling evidence that the Knights Templar may have taken the Ark of the Covenant to the British Isles • Presents scientific evidence affirming the powers attributed to the Ark • Traces the Ark and the Stones of Fire from Jerusalem to Jordan and finally to central England, where the Knights Templar hid them in the 14th century According to legend the Ark of the Covenant was an ornate golden chest that was both a means of communicating with God and a terrible weapon used against the enemies of the ancient Israelites. In order to use it the high priest had to wear a breastplate containing twelve sacred gemstones called the Stones of Fire. These objects were kept in the Great Temple of Jerusalem until they vanished following the Babylonian invasion in 597 B.C.E. At the ancient ruins of Petra in southern Jordan, Graham Phillips uncovered evidence that 13th-century Templars found the Ark and the Stones of Fire, and that they brought these treasures back to central England when they fled the persecution of French king Philip the Fair a century later. The author followed ciphered messages left by the Templars in church paintings, inscriptions, and stained glass windows to what may well be three of the Stones of Fire. When examined by Oxford University scientists these stones were found to possess odd physical properties that interfered with electronic equipment and produced a sphere of floating light similar to ball lightning. The Bible asserts that the Ark had the power to destroy armies and bring down the walls of cities. Now Graham Phillips provides scientific evidence that these claims may be true and offers compelling documentation that the Ark may be located in the English countryside, not far from the birthplace of William Shakespeare at Stratford-upon-Avon.

Politics in the Bible

This collaborative commentary on, or dictionary of, Kings, explores cross-cutting aspects of Kings ranging from the analysis of its composition, historically regarded, to its transmission and reception. Ample attention is accorded sources, figures and peoples who play a part in the book. The commentary deals with Kings treatment in translation and role in later ancient literature. While our comments do not proceed verse by verse, the volume furnishes guidance, from contributors highly qualified to advance contemporary discussion, on the book's historical background, its literary intentions and characteristics, and on themes and motifs central to its understanding, both of itself and of the world from which it arose. This volume functions as a meta-commentary, offering windows into the secondary literature, but assembling data more fully than is the case in individual commentaries.

Ancient Israel's History and Historiography

From two leading Christian apologists, here is a fascinating survey of the most important Old and New Testament archaeological discoveries through the ages. Biblical archaeology has always stirred excitement among believers and curiosity among unbelievers. The evidence dug up with a spade can speak volumes—and serve as a powerful testimony of the reliability of Scripture. Norm Geisler and Joe

Holden have put together an impressive array of finds that confirm the biblical peoples and events of ages past. In a user-friendly format written in popular style, they... examine the latest finds and explain their significance include more than 150 photographs provide an instructive chart of artifacts (along with fast facts) sample a variety of finds—papyri, inscriptions, scrolls, ossuaries, and more If readers are looking for just one book to cover this topic both concisely and comprehensively, this is it!

The Templars and the Ark of the Covenant

Trusted & Treasured by Millions of Readers over 30 Years, the Life Application Study Bible Is Today's #1-Selling Study Bible. Now it has been thoroughly updated and expanded, offering even more relevant insights for understanding and applying God's Word to everyday life in today's world. With a fresh, two-color interior design and meaningfully updated study notes and features, this Bible will help you understand God's Word better than ever. It answers the real-life questions you may have and provides you with practical yet powerful ways to apply the Bible to your life every day. The Life Application Study Bible, Third Edition includes the full text of the Holy Bible in the New King James Version (NKJV). This is a large-print edition, providing clear, readable text. Key Features: More than 10,000 notes and features More than 100 Life Application profiles of key Bible people Refreshed design with a second color for visual clarity Introductions and overviews for each book of the Bible More than 500 maps & charts placed for quick reference Dictionary/concordance 16 pages of full-color maps A Christian Worker's Resource Words of Jesus in red

The Cambridge Bible for Schools and Colleges. the Books of Chronicles.

Analyses Solomon's birth, rise, and temple-building within scriptural, archaeological and historical contexts.

The Books of Kings

The Philistines, their history and civilisation