

GREECE

Athens. Acts 17:16-34 (1 Thess. 3:1). Paul there on 2nd missionary journey, preached Christ, brought to Mars Hill. Paul about 50 yrs old.

Stadium built in 1896 for Olympic games on site of an ancient stadium that antedates Paul. Holds 70,000.

Temple of Zeus. Begun 514 BC. Completed 135 AD. Outer structure and marble roof finished in Paul's time.

Temple of Theseus. 5th century BC. 34 Doric columns.

Agora. Acts 17:17. Market place (doctrine of redemption).

Mars' Hill. Hill of Ares, Greek god of war (=Roman Mars).

Refers either to the hill itself (377' high) or to the council which met there and had charge of religious and educational matters in Athens.

Erectheum. Burned in 480 BC by Persians and replaced by present temple in 420. Porch of Maidens of Caryatids on S.

Parthenon. Completed in 9 yrs in 438 BC. Lines curved slightly, columns tapered, flutes diminished in width to eliminate optical illusion. 46 Doric columns on platform 228x100. In nave once stood gold and ivory statue of Athena. In 5th c. AD made into Christian church. Later into mosque. Turks stored explosives in it which were set off causing present ruin.

Corinth. Acts 18. On 2nd missionary journey Paul came to this thriving and sinful city. Stayed 18 months.

Brought before judgment seat. 1,2 Thess written from Cor.

1 and 2 Cor. written to church here. "To live like a Corinthian" meant a life of luxury and licentiousness.

Theater accommodated 20000. Games second only to Olympics.

Temple of Aphrodite had 1000 prostitutes.

Population of 500000 in Paul's day. Cenchrrea was E. port of Corinth (Rom. 16:1). 4-mile canal was completed in 1893. In Paul's time ships were hauled across the isthmus to avoid dangerous 200 mile journey around the cape. The bema or judgment seat is referred to in Acts 18:12 and 2 Cor. 5:10.

JORDAN

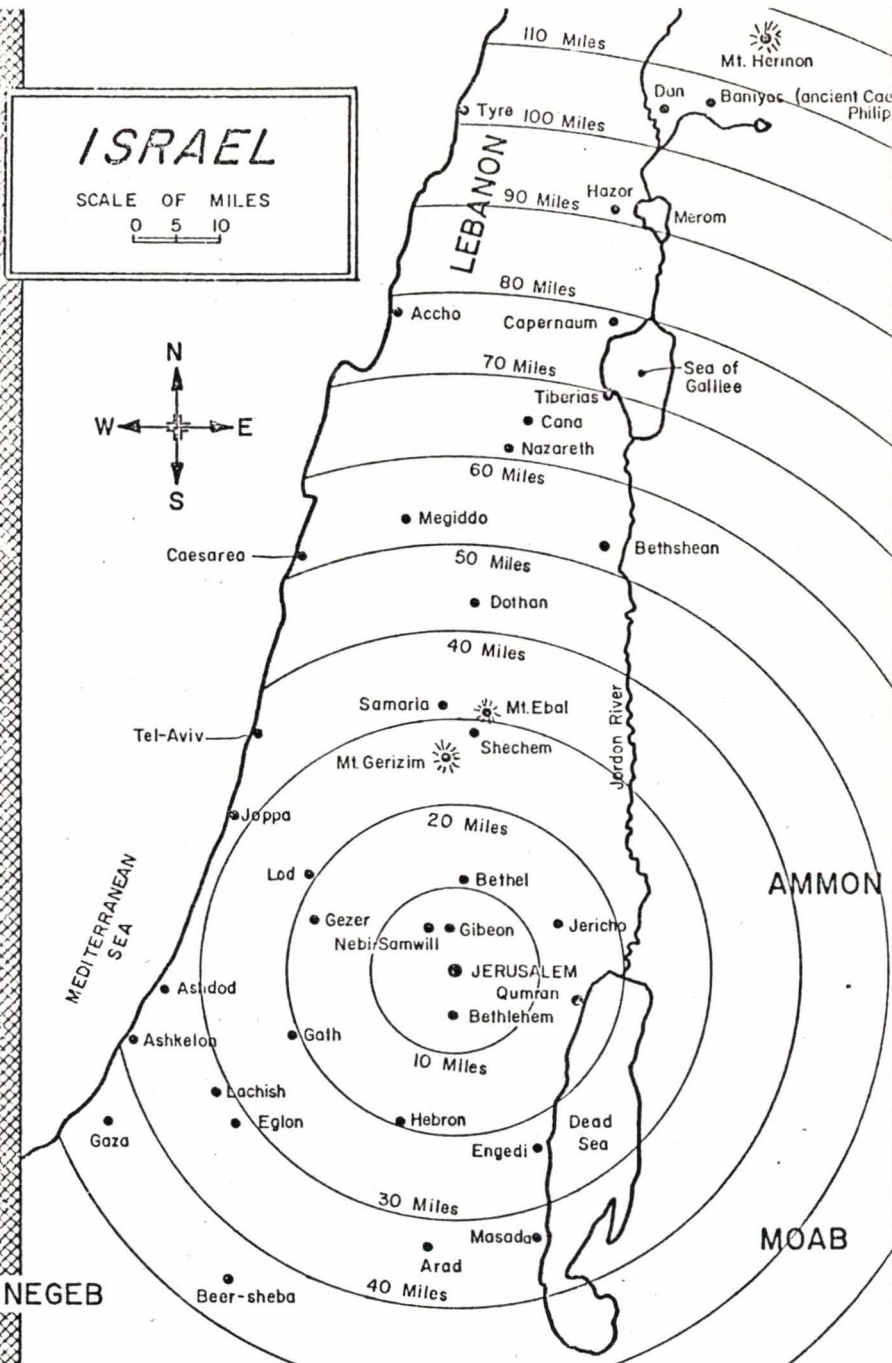
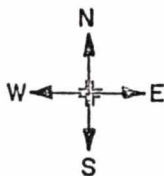
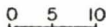
General. Officially born 1947 (formerly Transjordan). 35,335 sq. mi. (excluding 2165 of Samaria). Population--1,250,000. Capital--Amman (= Philadelphia), 400,000. In Bible times area composed of (from S. to N.) Edom (Num 20:14-21), Moab (Deut. 2:9-11; Ruth 1:1-4), Ammon and Gilead (given to the 2½ tribes).

Amman. 13½x6 ft. sarcophagus of Og there (Deut 3:11). Uriah killed there (2 Sam 11:1,15). Important city under Ptolemy Philadelphus (285-246BC). Roman theater seating 6000 built in 2-3 century A.D.

Petra. 166 mi. S. Amman. On way pass Ma'an which some believe site of brazen serpent (Num 21:4-9). Also 'Ain Mussa, believed by some as place where Moses struck rock (Num 20:8-13). 1440 B.C. Edom refused Israel passage (Num 20:14). 1000 B.C. David and Solomon controlled. Edom become more powerful controlling port of Aqaba and roads to Gaza and Damascus. Merchants were middlemen! Obad. 11-14 may refer to invasion of Jerusalem by Shishak King of Egypt in 926 or to a later one by Nebuchadnezzar in 586. Idolatrous people (2 Chron 25:14,20). After 586 Edomites settled in S. Palestine in Idumaea (near Masada) Nabataeans had dislodged them from Petra. Herod the Great's father was Idumaeian and his mother Nabataean. In millennium Israel will occupy the land of Edom (Obad. 19). Romans conquered Petra in 106 B.C. adding many buildings and the amphitheater seating 3-5000. The Siq is less than 2 miles long, as narrow as 8 ft., the cliffs rising 2-300 ft. Some think Rev. 12:14 refers to Petra.

ISRAEL

SCALE OF MILES



ISRAEL

Population. 1882--24,000 Jews in Palestine. 1900--50,000. 1922-84,000. 1927-150,000. 1936-404,000. 1947-650,000. 1967-2.5 million. 1977-3.6 million (of which 574,000 are non-Jews). 21,500 immigrated in 1977.

General. 8000 sq. mi.+ occupied territory since 1967 = 26,000 sq. mi. Founded May 14, 1948. Suez war in 1956. Six day war in 1967. Industries: citris, diamonds, machinery. Religion: Judaism. Language: Hebrew.

Jericho. Josh 2: Hebrew spies protected by Rahab.

Josh 6: City captured and cursed by Joshua.

2 Kings 2:4-18: Elijah, Elisha and "sons of prophets" here

Matt 4: Jesus tempted on nearby Mt. of Temptation.

Luke 19: Zacchaeus converted in N.T. Jericho.

Matt 20:29-34: Blind Bartimaeus healed here.

Dead Sea Area. 1292" below Sea level. 53 mi. long. 1300' deep in places. Ocean water contains 4-6% solids in solution; Dead Sea contains 24-26%. Called Salt Sea (Gen 14:3); Sea of Plain or Arabah (Deut 3:17), East Sea (Ezek 47:18). Mt. Nebo is 9 mi. E. of upper end (Numb 21:20; 23:14; Deut 3:27; 34:1). Sodom and Gomorrah near S. end (Gen. 19:23-28; Matt 10:15; Rom 9:29; 2 Pet 2:6; Rev 11:18). W. of Dead Sea is wilderness of Judea where John the Baptist preached (Matt 3:1). Dead Sea Scrolls found in 1947 by shepherd boy searching for lost goat 7 mi. S. of Jericho. Essene community at Qumran started c. 100 B.C., destroyed in 31 B.C., rebuilt 4 B.C., finally destroyed by Romans in 68 A.D. All OT books represented in finds except Esther. They date from last few centuries B.C. to early part of 1st century A.D. Bishop Pike died near Qumran.

Masada. Means "fortress." Herod the Great made this plateau into a great fortification and had a palace there. When Jerusalem fell to the Romans in 70 A.D. some Jews fled to Masada, holding out until April 15, 73 when the last ones took their own lives. "Masada shall not fall again" is the oath cadets take today. 1 Sam 24:22 possibly refers to Masada.

Beersheba. Gen 21:9: Hagar sent there. Gen 28:10: Jacob began his flight from Esau there. Gen 46:1: Jacob stopped here on way to Egypt. 1 Kings 19: Elijah sat under juniper tree near here. 1 Sam 8: Samuel's two sons were judges. "Dan to Beersheba" (Judg 20:1).

JERUSALEM

Biblical references. Gen. 14:17: Abr. paid tithes to Mel.
Gen 22--Offering of Isaac on Mt. Moriah (temple area).
2 Sam 5:6-16--David captured it and made it his capital.
2 Sam 6:1-2--David brot Ark to Jerusalem.
2 Sam 24:18-25: David bought threshing floor of Araunah
and this became the site of Solomon's temple.
1 Kings 6-9: Solomon built temple and other bldgs.
2 Kings 25--City captured and burned by Nebuchadnezzar, 586
Ezra 1-6: Jews returned from Babylon in 536 and built
Second Temple.

Neh 1-6: Walls of Jerusalem rebuilt by Nehemiah.

Temple desecrated by Antiochus, 175-163 BC.

Herod began rebuilding temple in 19 B.C.

Luke 2:22, 41-52--Jesus at temple as infant and at age 12

Jn 2:12; Luke 19:45--cleansing temple at beg. and end of
Jesus' ministry.

Jn 5, 7-10. Jesus healed and taught in Jerusalem.

Matt 24-25--Discourse on Mt. of Olives.

John 13-16--Washing disciples' feet, Lord's Supper, and
Upper Room Discourse in Upper Room.

Matt 27-28--Jesus tried, crucified, buried, raised here.

Acts 2--H.S. descended on day of Pentecost.

Acts 7--Stephen martyred.

Acts 9--Saul left Jerusalem for Damascus; was converted.

Acts 15--Jerusalem council.

Acts 21:17--After 3rd missionary journey Paul visited
Jerusalem, was seized by the Jews in the temple.

Jerusalem in Prophecy. Tribulation temple will be
built in Jerusalem, Matt 24:15-16; 2 Thess 2:3-4; Rev 11
Jews will worship in temple until middle of tribulation
(Dan 9:27).

Nations will converge in attack on Jerusalem (Zech 14:1-2)
Christ will return and deliver Jerusalem (Zech 14:3-4;
Rev. 19:11-21).

Christ will reign with Jerusalem as capital for 1000 yrs.
(Isa 2:2-4; Zech 14:9, 16-21).

The millennial temple will be built in Jerusalem (Ezek 40-

Pool of Bethesda. Just inside Stephen's Gate. Discovered
in 1885. Miracle of John 5 here.

Via Doloroso. Starts in Antonio's Palace = Pavement of
John 19:13. Pilate's judgment hall.

Jerusalem continued

Church of the Holy Sepulchre. "The suffocating trappings of piety." Temple to Venus built on site of Golgotha in 136 AD by Hadrian in attempt to stamp out reminders of Christianity. Actually it preserved the site. In 336 Constantine built a church there. Burned twice before Crusaders built in 1149. Earthquake in 1927. Note John 19:20 and location of the walls.

Gordon's Calvary. Golgotha=skull. Jewish tradition says this was a place of stoning (including Stephen). Garden Tomb is near (John 19:41). Is Golgotha a name or a shape of the place? Tomb discovered in 1867 but popularized by Gen. Gordon from 1882 on.

Church of St. James. Supposedly where James beheaded (Acts 12:2).

Kidron Valley = Valley of Jehosaphat, Joel 3:2.

Absalom's Pillar. 2 Sam 18:17 ff.

Tomb of Zechariah. Matt 23:35; 2 Chron 24:20.

Grotto of St. James. Supposedly where James (bro.) hid when Jesus arrested.

Church of St. Anne. Where Mary supposedly born.

St. Mark's Church. House of mother of John Mark.

Pool of Siloam. John 9:1. Water brot here from Gihon which was outside wall in Hezekiah's time (701 BC).

Gihon = Virgin's Fountain (on presumption that Mary washed clothes there!). 2 Chron 32:2-3. Tunnel 1750' long. Solomon crowned king at Siloam (1 Kings 1:38-9)

Temple Area. Mt. Moriah of Gen 22. Solomon's temple here, 2 Chron 3:1. Zerubbabel's, Ezra 5:2; 6:15.

Herod's. 35 acres. Threshing floor David bought, 2 Sam 24:21. Hadrian built temple to Jupiter here in 135 AD. Arabs say Mohammed ascended to heaven from here. Built mosque in 691 AD. Center of Masonic Order. Solomon's temple 3 times larger than present mosque. Area could hold up to 200,000 people (cf. Day of Pentecost).

Wailing Wall is part of western wall of temple. Lowest rows of stones from OT times; next from Herod's; 1 from Hadrian's; top ones from Turks. 60 ft high. Jews excluded from wall from 1948 to 1967.

Mt. Zion. Tomb of David, 1 Kings 2:10. Site of Upper Room.

Gethsemene. Lower slope of Mt. Olives. Trees could date back to Jesus' time. Franciscan church over rock where Peter, James, John supposedly slept, Matt 25:40. Church further up where Jesus supposedly wept over Jerusalem, Matt 23:37. Russian church at top is place of ascension, tho ascension probably happened from backside of Olivet that faces Bethany (Luke 24:50). Church of Pater Noster on Olivet but Lord's prayer first given in Galilee (Matt 6:9), then in Perea (E. of Judea, Lk 11:1).

Bethany. Lk 10:38--home of Mary, Martha, Lazarus. Jn 11--Lazarus raised from dead.

Jn 12:1-8--Jesus anointed by Mary in home of Simon. Jn 12:9-15--Triumphal entry began here.

Matt 21:17; Mark 11:11--Jesus stayed in Bethany during Passion Week.

Hebron. Gen 13:18--Abraham built altar after separating from Lot.

Gen 14:13; 16,17,18. Abraham lived here. Ishmael both here. Abraham entertained 3 heavenly messengers; interceded for Sodom and Gomorrah.

Gen 35:27--Isaac and Jacob lived here.

Gen 23,25, 49, 50. Abraham, Sarah, Isaac, Rebekah, Jacob, Leah buried in Cave of Machpelah in Hebron.

Numb 13:22-33. Spies visited Hebron and gathered grapes, pomegranates, figs.

Josh 10:36; 14:6. Conquered by Joshua and Caleb and became Caleb's home.

Josh 20:7. Made a city of refuge.

2 Sam 2. David anointed King of Judah here after Saul's death and reigned here 7½ yrs.

2 Sam 15. Absalom made Hebron his headquarters when organizing his revolt against David his father.

Bethlehem. Gen 35:19. Tomb of Rachel near.

Ruth. Story of this book centers here.

1 Sam 16. Place of David's birth and anointing and King.

1 Sam 17:15. David went from here to kill Goliath.

2 Sam 23:13. While fleeing from Saul, David longed for water from well at Bethlehem.

Luke 2. Christ born here (Micah 5:2). Shepherds visited.

Matt 2. Wise men visited here. Family fled to Egypt.

Church built 330 AD.(tho present church 6th century).

Door is 4' high (to keep animals out). Chapel of Nativity 14x4 yards. Original manger is in Rome!

1,2,3 BETHANY TO TEMPLE
AND RETURN

4 BETHANY TO SUPPER

5 SUPPER TO GETHSEMANE

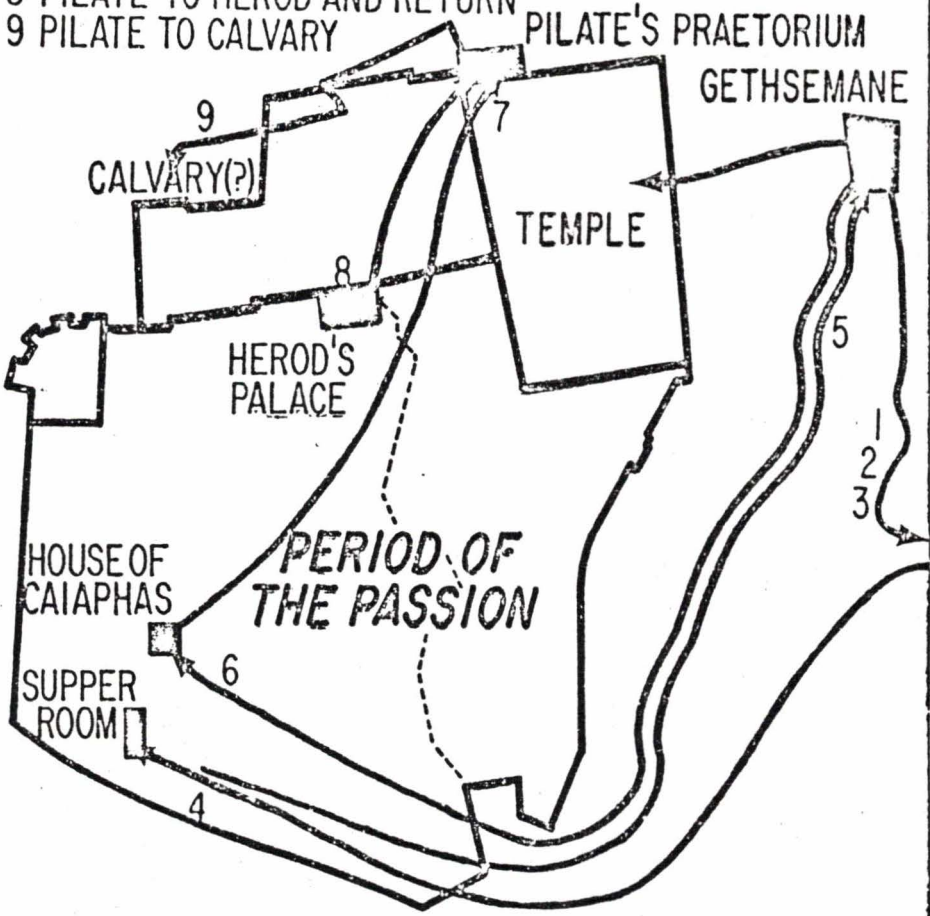
6 GETHSEMANE TO CAIAPHAS

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8 PILATE TO HEROD AND RETURN

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CALVARY (?)



PILATE'S PRAETORIUM

GETHSEMANE

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TEMPLE

HEROD'S
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THE PASSION*

SUPPER
ROOM

Samaria, Galilee, Coast

Samaria. 1 Kings 16:24. Omri, king of Israel, purchased this hill and founded Samaria as Israel's capital. His son, Ahab, made it a center of Baal worship.

Amos 6:1,4; 1 Kg 22:39. Amos denounced Ahab's palace.

Isa 9:8; 28; Jer 23:13; Ezek 23:1-4; Hos 7; Mic 1:6 also denounce Samaria's sinfulness and predicted doom.

1 Kings 18:1-4--Jezebel killed many prophets here.

2 Kings 5--Naaman came here to be healed by Elisha.

2 Kings 6-7. Syrians laid siege to Samaria but God delivered.

2 Kings 17; 18:9-12. Samaria captured by Assyria 722 BC

Acts 8:5. God used Philip to bring revival.

Sychar and Shechem. Gen 12:1-7. Abraham built altar.

Gen 33:18. Jacob lived here.

Gen 34. Simeon and Levi massacred the Shechemites.

Gen. 50:25; Exod 13:19; Josh 24:28. Joseph's bones buried.

Josh 8:30-35. Israel on Mt. Ebal and Mt. Gerizim.

Josh 24. Scene of Joshua's farewell address.

Judg 9. Abimelech, Gideon's son, set self up as king.

1 Kings 12. Jeroboam revolted against Rehoboam and became king of 10 northern tribes.

2 Kings 17:6,23,24. Intermarriage that produced Samaritans

Neh 2,4,6. Samaritans opposed Nehemiah's work.

John 4. Jesus talked with harlot about water of life.

Lake of Galilee. 680' below sea level. 9 cities bordered it in time of Christ, each with population of 15000 and more. 13x7½ miles. 750' deep. Matt 11:20. Jesus predicted judgment on towns around Lake. No record Jesus visited Tiberias (named after Tiberias Caesar) tho city gave its name to the Lake (John 6:1, 23; 21:1). Luke 5 & John 21--Lake yielded 2 large catches of fish.

Matt 8:23. Jesus stilled a storm.

Matt 14:22. Jesus walked on the water.

Matt 8:28. Demons cast out of pigs (eastern shore).

John 21. Jesus breakfasted with disciples.

Nazareth. City had bad reputation, John 1:47. Gabriel's announcement to Mary, Lk 1:26. After time in Egypt, family returned to Nazareth, Matt 2:21. Jesus' first recorded sermon here, Lk 4:16-30. See Matt 13:54; Mk 6:1-6. Cana. John 2 miracle of water to wine.

Mt. Tabor. 6 mi E. Nazareth. Some say transfiguration here but Mt. Hermon more likely.

Feeding of 5000 either at NW or NE corner of Lake.

Acre = Ptolemais. 10 mi. N. Haifa. Acts 21:7.

Galilee, Coast

Capernaum. Matt 4:13. Center of Jesus' activity 18-20 mo.
Matt 4:18. Peter, Andrew, James, John called.
Matt 9:9. Levi called (Matthew).
Mark 1:21-34. Teaching and healings (Peter's mother-in-law)
Matt 8:5. Centurion's servant healed.
Matt 9. Palsied man let down thru the roof.
Matt 9. Woman with issue of blood. Jairus' daughter raised
Jn 4:46. Nobleman's son healed.
Matt 9:27. 2 blind men and dumb man healed.
Matt 8:16. Many healings. Matt 13, 15:1-20; 18:15-35;
Mark 2:23-28; 7:1-23; 9:33-50; Lk 6:1-5; John 6:22-71 all
record discourses of Christ here.

Megiddo (Esdraelon). Plain is 20x14 miles. 20 cities built
on top of each other. Josh 12:7. Captured by Joshua.
Judg 5:19-20. Barak defeated Sisera and his armies.
1 Kings 9:15; 10:26. Solomon fortified city.
2 Kings 9:27. Jehu killed Ahaziah, King of Israel, here.
2 Kings 23:29-30. Josiah, king of Judah, killed here 610 B.
Rev. 16:13-16. Last great battle of the age here.
Napoleon crossed this valley in 1799.

Haifa and Mt. Carmel. 1 Kg 18. Elijah and prophets of Baal
2 Kg 4:25. Shunammite woman met Elisha. 1791' high.
Used in Bible as illustration of plenty, beauty (Isa 35:2
Jer 46:18; 2 Chron 26:10; Song 7:5).

Caesarea. Founded by Herod Great 22 BC. Home of Roman
procurators including Pilate.
Acts 8:40; 21:8-9. Philip preached and settled here.
Acts 9:30 Paul left from this port to go to Tarsus.
Acts 10. Home of Cornelius and Gentiles saved here.
Acts 12:19-23. Herod smitten here.
Acts 18:22; 21:8-16. Paul here at end of 2nd and 3rd trip
Acts 24:27. Paul spent 2 yrs in prison here.

Joppa. 2 Chron 2:16. Chief seaport during Solomon's reign
Jonah 1:3. Jonah sailed from here to go to Tarshish.
Acts 9:36-43. Peter raised Dorcas to life here.
Acts 10. Home of Simon the tanner. Peter received vision.