



**A Discussion of
Deuteronomy 8**

**A Land of Milk
and Honey**

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Have you ever wondered about that phrase - the Land of Milk and Honey? How could that be considered as an attractive place to go, and equally concerning, what exactly is a land of "milk and honey"? This question has plagued me for quite a while, and recently, another question has risen, which is: exactly where is the "land of milk and honey"? Given the names that are given to us in scripture, can we tell where these places are today?

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10 And a river went out of Eden to water the garden; and from thence it was parted and became into four heads. 11 The name of the first is Piyshon: that is it which compasses $\pi\lambda$ the whole land of Chaviylah, where there is gold; 12 And the gold of that land is good: there is bdellium and the onyx stone. 13 And the name of the second river is Giychon: the same is it that compasses $\pi\lambda$ the whole land of Kush. 14 And the name of the third river is Chiddeqel: that is it which goes toward the east of Ashshur. And the fourth river is Perath. 15 And Yahuah Elohiym took the man and put him into the Garden of Eden to dress it and to guard it.

Bere'shiyth (Genesis) 2:10-15

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*Africa and the evidence of the
Fibonacci Sequence.*

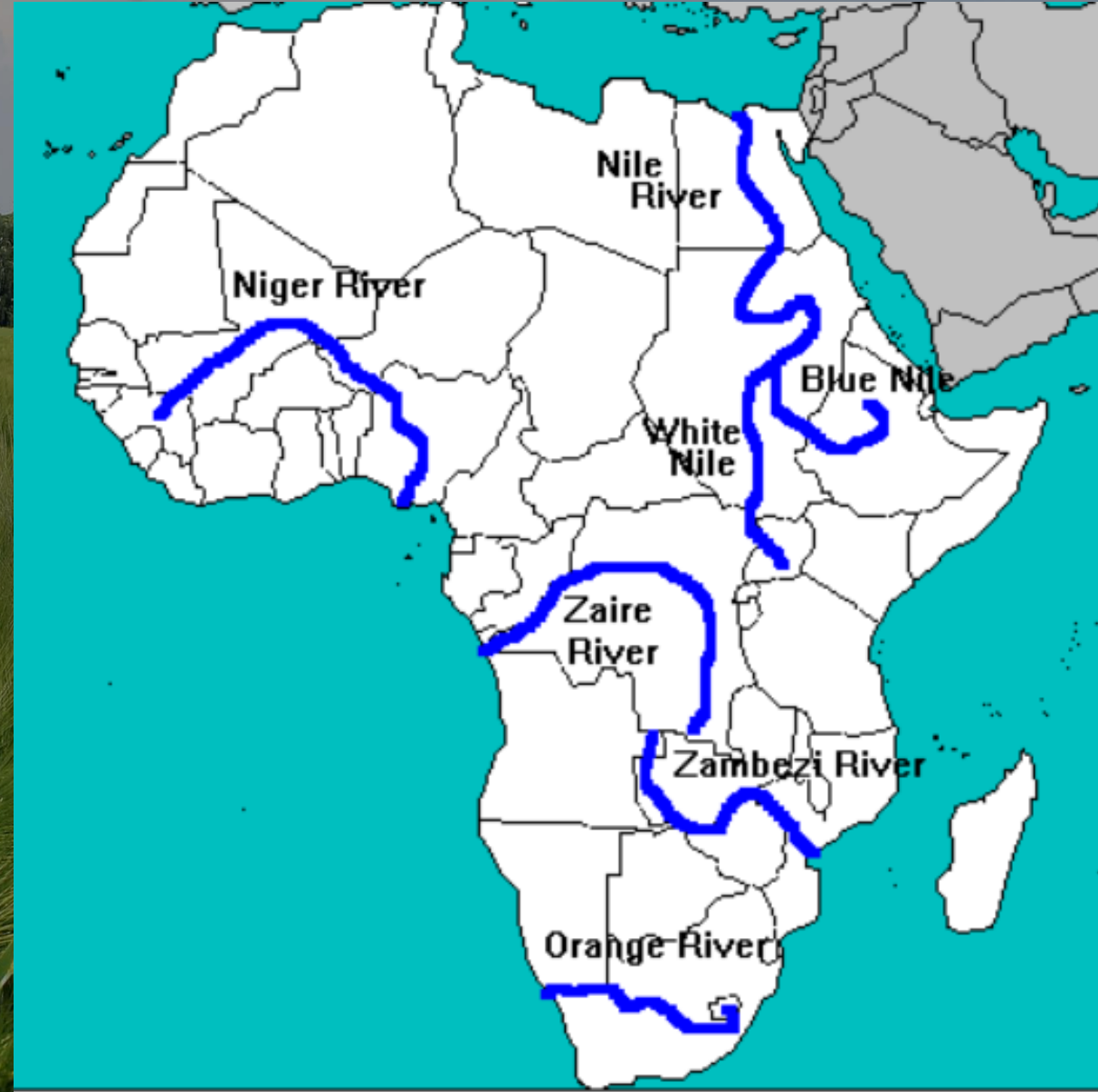
*Here we see a self-similar spiral built
upon Phi – an algorithm developed on
a sequence identified by Fibonacci.
This sequence appears everywhere in
nature and appears – like Pi – to be a
fundamental conceptual building
block of all creation.
Does the epicenter of this sequence
identify the heart of Eden?*



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Even more alarming is the evidence which is increasing constantly that sea level has likely changed dramatically over the course of human history, in most cases being much lower than what it is today. Some evidence suggests possible 100-150 feet lower (if so, England would be connected to France via a land bridge), but many suggest even greater ranges. It is possible that a cooler earth may have trapped an enormous ice field over North America, reaching all the way to the Great Lakes, which would have sequestered a substantial body of water in such a massive ice cap, and such an ice cap then rendering a substantially lower sea level.

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If the sea was 200 or more lower than today, the world geography changes dramatically. The North Sea emerges as dry land (and in fact, some historical references refer to this place as Doggerland); Ireland would have been attached to Scotland (maybe over the Giant's Causeway) and England would have been directly connected to France (no Strait of Dover). Equally true, Africa would have had a much more substantial reach into the Mediterranean Sea - possibly even connecting the Island of Malta to the African mainland.

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In addition, maps from the 15th and 16th centuries show Northern Africa as a green area, replete with multiple rivers and lakes in an area that is now all desert. Recent archeological discoveries are changing the content of what we know about the world dramatically. In all of this comes the nagging question: Is the Holy Land really the true site of Yerushalayim? Is Israel the true site of the land of Canaan? Where was the Garden of Eden? How about the tower of Babel? Are we certain we know the identity of the true Euphrates River?

And just exactly where is the land of milk and honey?

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Doggerland

Well known in ancient history is the location of what was called doggerland. This map purports to give dates showing all of the British Isles connected to Europe, and the gradual separation as global ice packs melted, and the sea level increased over the centuries.



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*7 And Yahuah said, I have surely seen the affliction of my people which are in Mitsrayim, and have heard their cry by reason of their taskmasters; for I know their sorrows; 8 And I am come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Mitsriym, and to bring them up out of that land unto **a good land and a large,** unto a land flowing with milk and honey; unto the place of the Kena`aniym, and the Chittiym, and the Emoriym, and the Perizziym, and the Chivviym, and the Yevuciym.*

Shemoth (Exodus)3:7-8

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a good land and a large: (אֶל-אֶרֶץ טוֹבָה וְרַחְבָּה) al-erets tovah v'rachabah

rachabah: H7342, from H7337; roomy, in any (or every) direction, literally or figuratively:—broad, large, at liberty, proud, wide.

flowing with milk and honey: (זָבַת חֶלֶב וְדְבַשׁ) zabath chalav v'debash

chalav: H2461, from the same as H2459; milk (as the richness of cattle): cheese, milk, sucking.

debash: H1706, from an unused root meaning to be gummy; honey (from its stickiness); by analogy, syrup:—honey(-comb). But see H1707 (דְּבַשֶּׁת)

dabbesheth, intensive from the same as H1706; a sticky mass, i.e., the hump of a camel:

The land of milk and honey is the land of cattle and camels!

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So, we are looking (so far) for the following:

- A good land
- A large land
- A land of cattle
- A land of camels

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And Yahusha being full of the Ruach Ha'Qodesh returned from the Yordan, and was led by the Ruach into the wilderness, 2 Being forty days tempted of the devil. And in those days, he did eat nothing: and when they were ended, he afterward hungered. 3 And the devil said unto him: If you be the Son of Elohiym, command this stone that it be made bread. 4 And Yahusha answered him, saying: It is written, That man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of Elohiym.

Luqas (Luke) 4:1-4

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*All the commandments which I command you this day shall ye guard to do, that ye may live, and multiply, and go in and possess the land which **Yahuah** swore seven oaths unto your fathers. 2 And you shall remember all the way which **Yahuah Elohayka** led you these forty years in the wilderness, to humble you, and to prove you, to know what was in your heart, whether you would guard his commandments, or no. 3 And he humbled you, and suffered you to hunger, and fed you with manna, which you knew not, neither did your fathers know; that he might make you know that man does not live by bread only, but by every word that proceeds out of the mouth of Yahuah man lives.*

Devariym (Deuteronomy) 8:1-3

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And Elohiym spoke $\text{א}^{\text{ל}}$ all these words, saying: 2 I am Yahuah Elohayka, which have brought you out of the land of Mitsrayim, out of the house of bondage.

3 You shall have no other elohiym before me.

4 You shall not make unto you any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in the heavens above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: 5 You shall not bow down yourself to them, nor serve them: for I, Yahuah Elohayka am a jealous El, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; 6 And showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and guard my commandments.

7 You shall not lift the name of Yahuah Elohayka to naught; for Yahuah will not make clean whosoever $\text{א}^{\text{ל}}$ lifts his name to naught.

Shemoth (Exodus) 20:1-7

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8 Remember the day of the Sabbath, to keep it holy. 9 Six days shall you labor, and do all your work: 10 But the seventh day is the Sabbath of Yahuah Elohayka: in it you shall not do any work, you, nor your son, nor your daughter, your manservant, nor your maidservant, nor your cattle, nor your stranger that is within your gates: 11 For in six days Yahuah made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore Yahuah blessed the day of Sabbath, and hallowed it. 12 Honor your father and your mother: that your days may be long upon the land which Yahuah Elohayka gives you.

13 You shall not kill. 14 You shall not break wedlock. 15 You shall not steal.

16 You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

17 You shall not lust after your neighbor's house, you shall not lust after your neighbor's woman, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor anything that is your neighbor's.

Shemoth (Exodus) 20:8-17

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4 Your raiment waxed not old upon you, neither did your foot swell, these forty years. 5 You shall also consider in your heart, that, as a man chastens his son, so Yahuah Elohayka chastens you. 6 Therefore you shall guard the commandments of Yahuah Elohayka, to walk in his ways, and to fear him.

Devariym (Deuteronomy) 8:4-6

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7 For Yahuah Elohayka brings you into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and depths that spring out of valleys and hills; 8 A land of wheat, and barley, and vines, and fig trees, and pomegranates; a land of oil olive, and honey; 9 A land wherein you shall eat bread without scarceness, you shall not lack anything in it; a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills you may dig brass.*

Devariym (Deuteronomy) 8:7-9

* brass: (נְחֹשֶׁת) nechôsheth – H5178: copper.

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So, we are looking (so far) for the following:

- A good land
- Brooks of water
- Fountains and springs
- A land of wheat and barley
- A land of vines, figs, and pomegranates
- A land of olive oil
- A land of camels
- A land of iron and copper

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10 When you have eaten and are full, then you shall bless Yahuah Elohayka for the good land which he has given you. 11 Beware that you forget not Yahuah Elohayka, in not guarding his commandments, and his judgments, and his statutes, which I command you this day: 12 Lest when you have eaten and are full, and have built goodly houses, and dwelt therein; 13 And when your herds and your flocks multiply, and your silver and your gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied; 14 Then your heart be lifted up, and you forget Yahuah Elohayka, which brought you forth out of the land of Mitsrayim, from the house of bondage;

Devariym (Deuteronomy) 8:10-14

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15 Who led you through that great and terrible wilderness, wherein were fiery serpents, and scorpions, and drought, where there was no water; who brought you forth water out of the rock of flint; 16 Who fed you in the wilderness with manna, which your fathers knew not, that he might humble you, and that he might prove you, to do you good at your latter end; 17 And you say in your heart, My power and the might of my hand has gotten me this wealth. 18 But you shall remember Yahuah Elohayka: for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, that he may establish his covenant which he swore seven oaths unto your fathers, as it is this day.

Devariym (Deuteronomy) 8:15-18

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19 And it shall be, if you do at all forget Yahuah Elohayka, and walk after other elohiym, and serve them, and worship them, I testify against you this day that ye shall surely perish. 20 As the nations which Yahuah destroys before your face, so shall ye perish, because ye would not be obedient unto the voice of Yahuah Elohaykem.

Devariym (Deuteronomy) 8:19-20

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