

Deuteronomy 3:17

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

The plain also, and Jordan, and the coast thereof, from Chinnereth even unto the sea of the plain, even the salt sea, under Ashdoth-pisgah eastward.

Analysis

The description 'The plain also, and Jordan, and the coast thereof' details the western boundary along the Jordan River valley. Mentioning specific locations 'from Chinnereth even unto the sea of the plain... Ashdothpisgah' provides precise geographical markers. The 'salt sea' (Dead Sea) marks the southern extreme. These details ensure accurate inheritance understanding and demonstrate God's attention to particulars in fulfilling promises.

Historical Context

Chinnereth (later called Gennesaret or Galilee) to the Dead Sea spans the entire Jordan valley, approximately 65 miles. This fertile valley provided agricultural wealth. Ashdoth-pisgah refers to the slopes of Mount Pisgah in the Abarim range, from where Moses would later view the Promised Land.

Related Passages

1 John 4:8 — God is love

1 Corinthians 13:4 — Characteristics of love

Study Questions

1. How does God's attention to detail in Scripture strengthen your confidence in His care for you?
2. What specific details of God's promises bring you greatest confidence?

Interlinear Text

הָעֲרֵבָה	וְהַיַּרְדֵּי	וְגַב ל	מִכֶּנֶּרֶת	וְעַד
The plain	also and Jordan	and the coast	thereof from Chinnereth	
H6160	H3383	H1366	H3672	H5704
!	הָעֲרֵבָה	!	הַמֶּלַח	תַּחַת
even unto the sea	The plain	even unto the sea	even the salt	
H3220	H6160	H3220	H4417	H8478
הַפְּסָגָה	מִזְרָחָהּ:			
H6449	eastward			
	H4217			

Additional Cross-References

Joshua 12:3 (Parallel theme): And from the plain to the sea of Chinneroth on the east, and unto the sea of the plain, even the salt sea on the east, the way to Beth-jeshimoth; and from the south, under Ashdoth-pisgah:

Genesis 14:3 (Parallel theme): All these were joined together in the vale of Siddim, which is the salt sea.

Joshua 3:16 (Parallel theme): That the waters which came down from above stood and rose up upon an heap very far from the city Adam, that is beside Zaretan: and those that came down toward the sea of the plain, even the salt sea, failed, and were cut off: and the people passed over right against Jericho.

Deuteronomy 4:49 (Parallel theme): And all the plain on this side Jordan eastward, even unto the sea of the plain, under the springs of Pisgah.

