

Joshua 19:46

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And Me-jarkon, and Rakkon, with the border before Japho.

Analysis

And Me-jarkon, and Rakkon, with the border before Japho—Me-jarkon ('waters of Jarkon') references the Yarkon River north of modern Tel Aviv. Japho (Joppa, later Jaffa) was the port where Jonah fled from God (Jonah 1:3) and where Peter received the vision about Gentile inclusion (Acts 10:9-16).

That Joppa marked Dan's border proves prophetically significant. Jonah's flight from Joppa symbolized Israel's resistance to God's universal mission. Peter's vision there opened the gospel to Gentiles. Dan's territorial boundary became a gateway to world evangelism—God's purposes transcend human failures.

Historical Context

Joppa was ancient Israel's primary Mediterranean port, though technically Philistine-controlled during much of Israel's history. Its natural harbor made it commercially and strategically vital. Solomon used Joppa to import Lebanese cedar for the temple (2 Chronicles 2:16).

Related Passages

Hebrews 11:1 — Definition of faith

Romans 1:17 — The righteous shall live by faith

Matthew 25:31 — Final judgment

Revelation 20:12 — Judgment according to deeds

Study Questions

1. How has God used your failures or compromised situations for greater kingdom purposes?
2. What 'borders' in your life might God intend as gateways rather than barriers?

Interlinear Text

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