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- Ammon, Moab, and Edom tried to invade Judah through Engedi during the reign of Jehoshaphat (2 Chronicle 20:1-2).













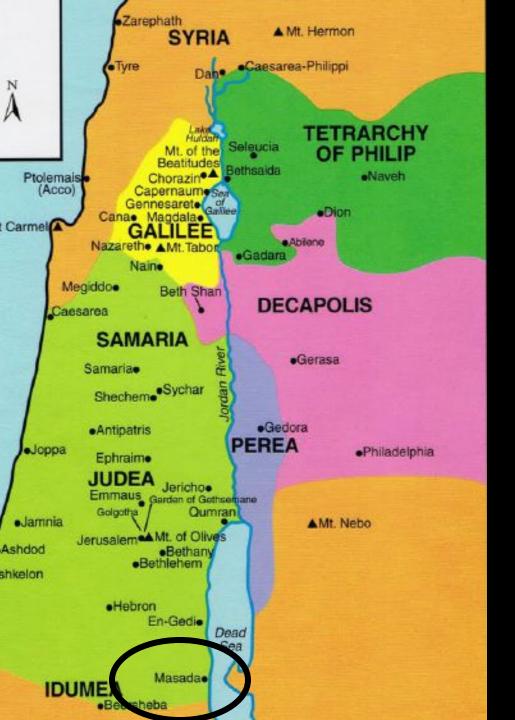








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- Nearly 1000 Jews took refuge in Herod's palace following the destruction of Jerusalem in 70 A.D.

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- To keep from being killed and enslaved by the Romans, the leader of the Jewish Rebels (Eleazar Ben Yair) convinced the 960 people in his care that it would be better for them to take their own lives.

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 Once Flavius and his men entered the fortress, they found only a couple of women and a handful of children hidden in the cisterns. They had survived the mass suicide and were able to recount what happened.





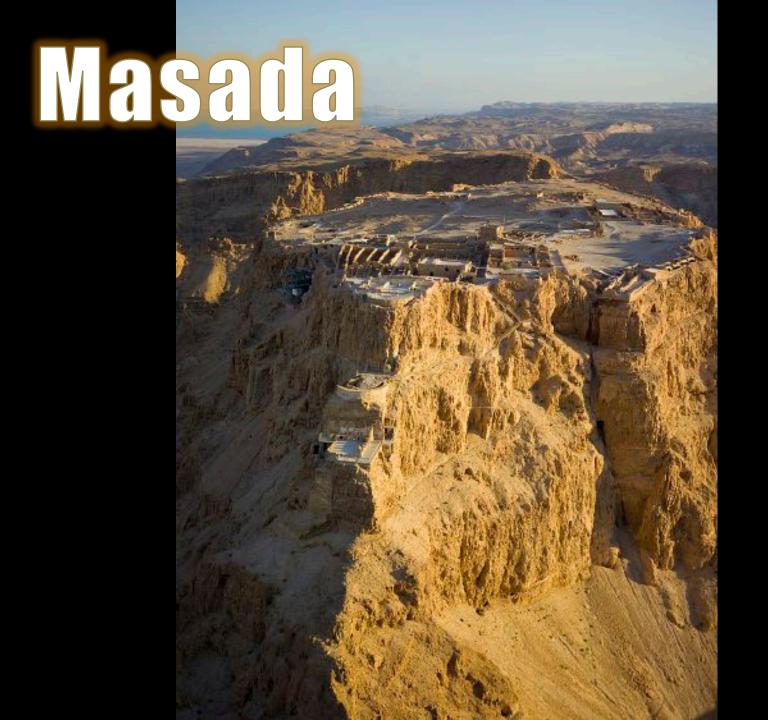
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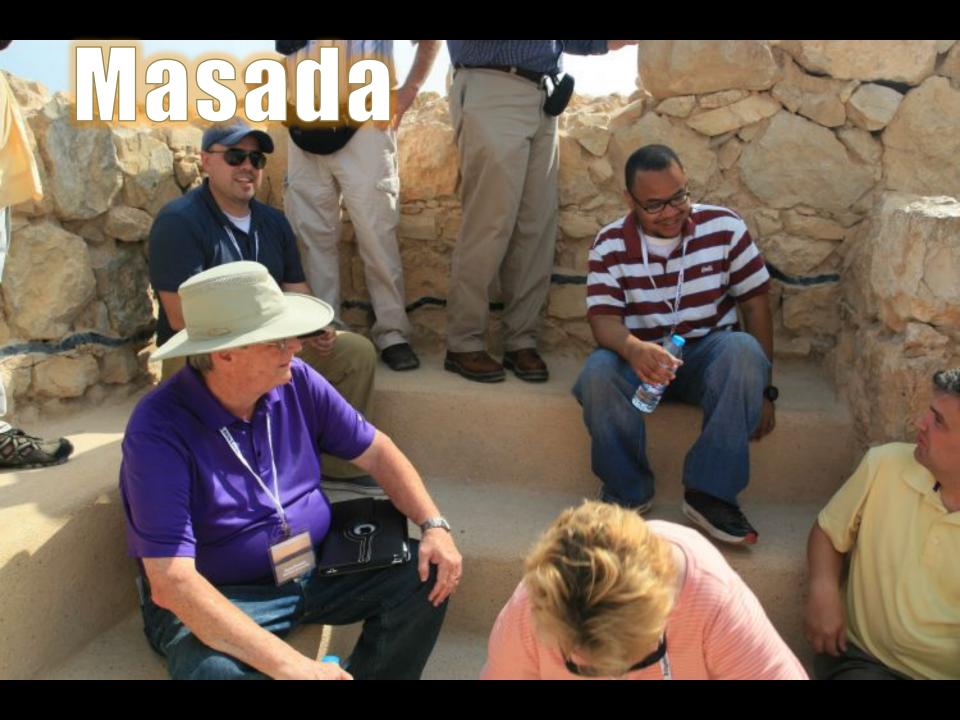








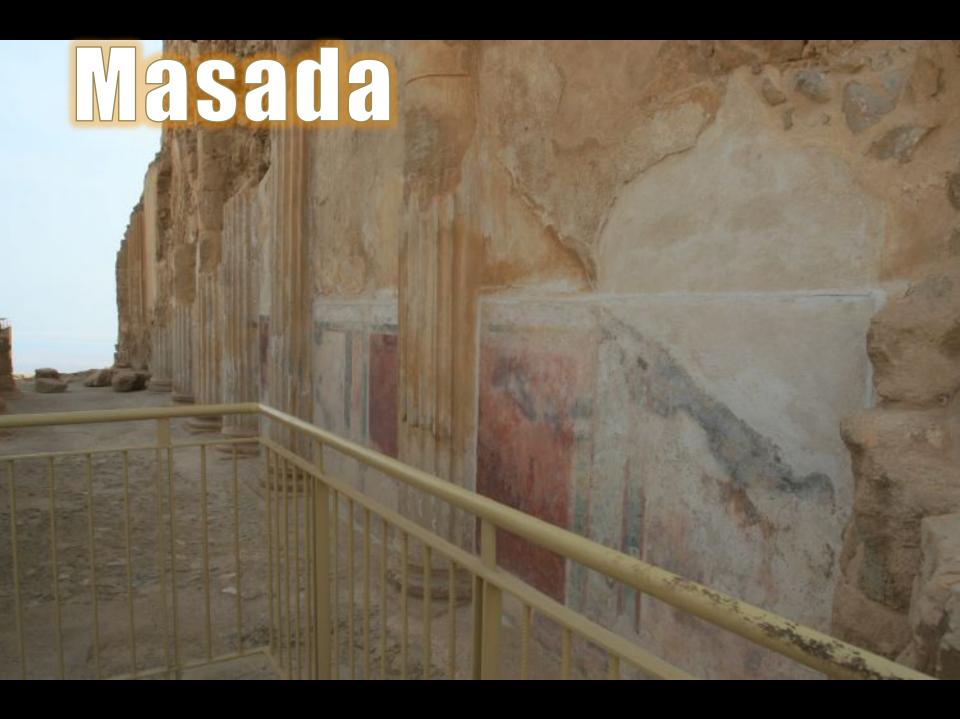




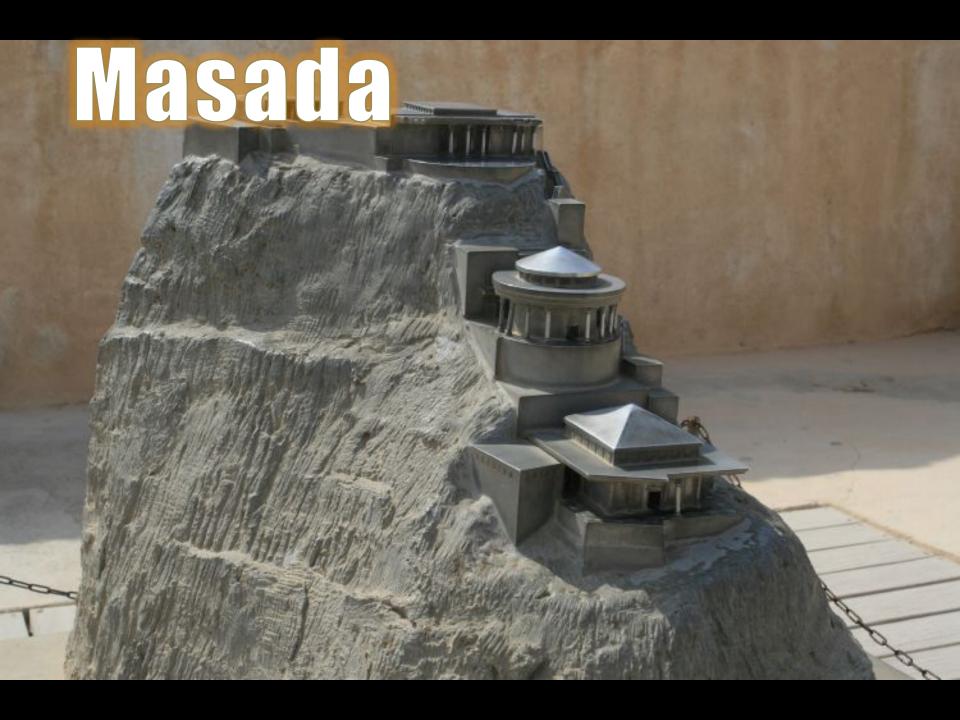




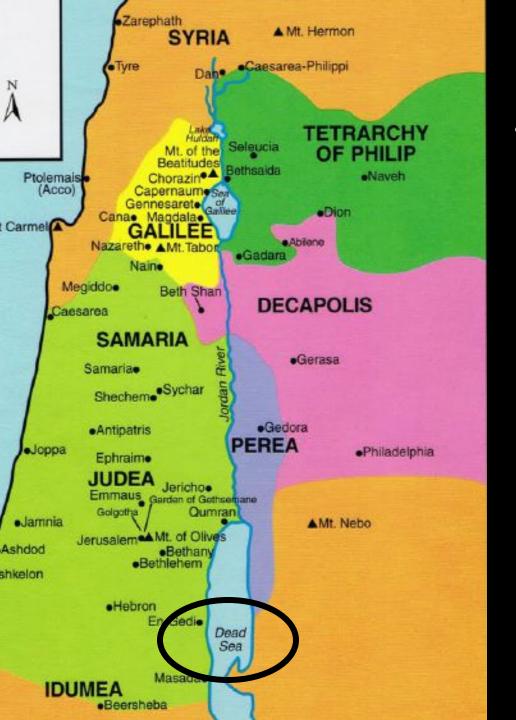








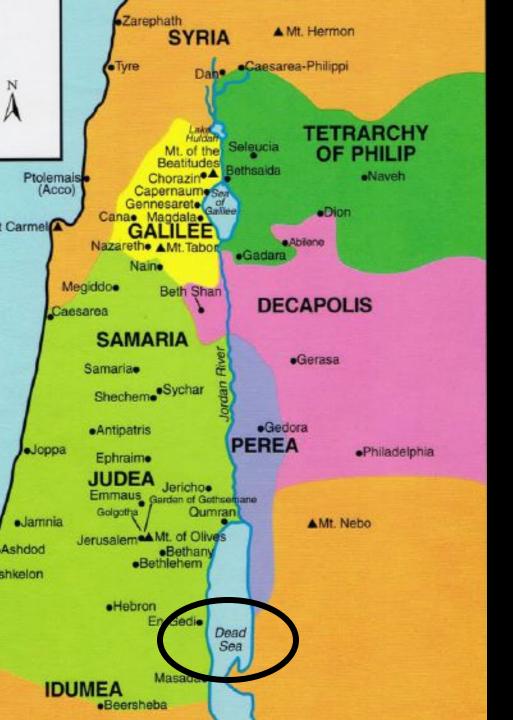
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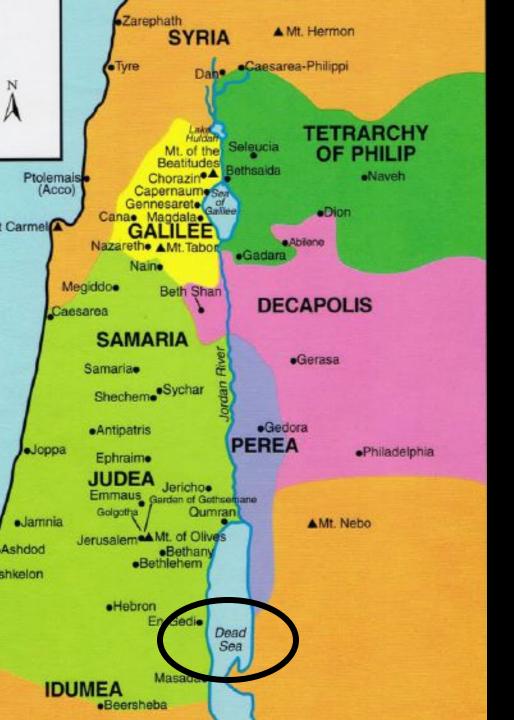
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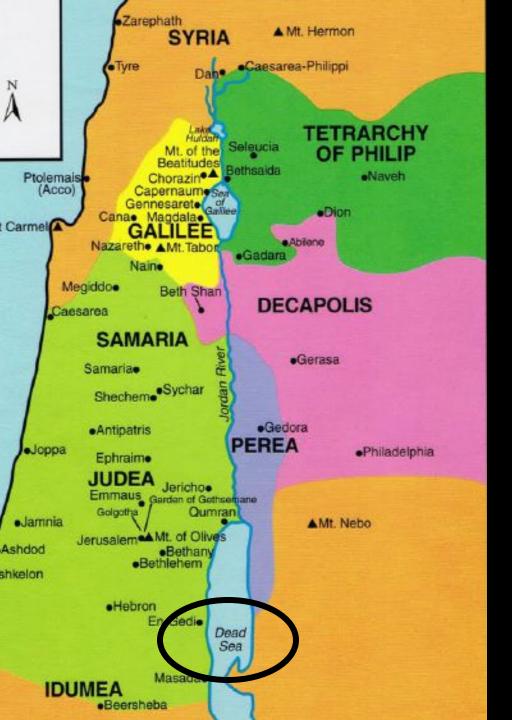
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