

~WEST (160)

- The **Hebrews** indicated direction from the viewpoint of a person facing east. Thus the west was behind them and might be implied by the **Hebrew** word '*a-chohr*', meaning, behind.
- Syria from the east and the Philistines from behind, and they will eat up Israel with open mouth. In view of all this his anger has not turned back, but his hand is stretched out still. (**Isaiah 9:12**)
- Most often, **west** or **westward**, or **western** is denoted by the Hebrew word *yam* , meaning, **sea**, as at;
- From the wilderness and this Lebanon to the great river, the river Euphrates, that is, all the land of the Hittites, and to the Great Sea toward the setting of the sun your territory will prove to be. (**Joshua 1:4**)
- Evidently because the Mediterranean, or Great Sea, lay in that direction from the Promised Land.
- And your seed will certainly become like the dust particles of the earth, and you will certainly spread abroad to the **west** and to the east and to the north and to the south, and by means of you and by means of your seed all the families of the ground will certainly bless themselves. (**Genesis 28:14**)
- Then Yehowah made a shift to a very stiff west wind, and it carried the locusts away and drove them into the Red Sea. Not a single locust was let remain in all the territory of Egypt. (**Exodus 10:19**)

But for the **west** side the hangings were for fifty cubits. Their pillars were ten and their socket pedestals ten. The pegs of the pillars and their joints were of silver. (**Exodus 38:12**)
- As for a west boundary, it must prove to be for you the Great Sea and the shoreland. This will become your **west** boundary. (**Numbers 34:6**)
- And his feet will actually stand in that day upon the mountain of the olive trees, which is in front of Jerusalem, on the east, and

the mountain of the olive trees must be split at its middle, from the sunrising and to the **west**. There will be a very great valley, and half of the mountain will actually be moved to the north, and half of it to the south. (**Zechariah 14:4**)

- The context must be considered to determine whether *yam* means, **sea** or denotes the **west**.
- And the boundary went up to the valley of the son of Hinnom to the slope of the Jebusite at the south, that is to say, Jerusalem, and the boundary went up to the top of the mountain that faces the valley of Hinnom to the west, which is at the extremity of the low plain of Rephaim to the north. (**Joshua 15:8**)
- And the boundary was marked out from the top of the mountain to the spring of the waters of Nephtoah, and went out to the cities of Mount Ephron, and the boundary was marked out to Baalah, that is to say, Kiriath-jearim. (**Joshua 15:9**)
- And the boundary went around from Baalah westward to Mount Seir and passed over to the slope of Mount Jearim at the north, that is to say; Chesalon, and it went down to Beth-shemesh and passed over to Timnah. (**Joshua 15:10**)
- And the boundary went out to the slope of Ekron to the north, and the boundary was marked out to Shikkeron and passed over to Mount Baalah and went out to Jabneel, and the boundarys termination proved to be at the **sea**. (**Joshua 15:11**)
- And the western boundary was at the **Great Sea** and its shoreland. This was the boundary all around, of the sons of Judah by their families. (**Joshua 15:12**)
- And he proceeded to make the molten sea ten cubits from its one brim to its other brim, circular all around, and its height was five cubits, and it took a line of thirty cubits to circle all around it. (**2 Chronicles 4:2**)
- And there was the likeness of gourd-shaped ornaments under it clear around, surrounding it, ten in a cubit, enclosing the **sea** all around. The gourd-shaped ornaments were in two rows, being cast in its casting. (**2 Chronicles 4:3**)
- It was standing upon twelve bulls, three facing the north and

three facing the west and three facing the south and three facing the east, and the **sea** was above upon them, and all their hind parts were inward. (**2 Chronicles 4:4**)

- The one **sea** and the twelve bulls under it. (**2 Chronicles 4:15**)
- Another **Hebrew** word, *ma'arav* is used to denote either the **sunset**.
- Do not be afraid, for I am with you. From the sunrising I shall bring your seed, and from the sunset I shall collect you together. (**Isaiah 43:5**)
- And from the sunset they will begin to fear the name of Yehowah, and from the rising of the sun the glory of him, for he will come in like a distressing river, which the very spirit of Yehowah has driven along. (**Isaiah 59:19**)
- Or the west.
- Of the Hebronites, Hashabiah and his brothers, capable men, a thousand seven hundred, were over the administration of Israel in the region of the Jordan to the west for all the work of Yehowah and for the king's service. (**1 Chronicles 26:30**)

And Hezekiah was the one that stopped up the upper source of the waters of Gihon and kept them directed straight along down to the west to the City of David, and Hezekiah continued to prove successful in every work of his. (**2 Chronicles 32:30**)

- It is used to help convey the thought of great distance in the comforting assurance of Jehovah's mercy toward imperfect human's.
- As far off as the sunrise is from the sunset, so far off from us he has put our transgressions. (**Psalms 103:12**)
- When Jesus said that many would come from eastern parts and western parts to recline at the table in the Kingdom with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, the **Greek** text at;
- But I tell you that many from eastern parts and western parts will come and recline at the table with Abraham and Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of the heavens. (**Matthew 8:11**)

- Says literally from risings and **settings**. Here the **Greek** word *dy'sme* relates to the direction of the sunset, that is, the west. **INT** *Dy'sme* is also used elsewhere to denote the west.
- For just as the lightning comes out of eastern parts and shines over to western parts, so the presence of the Son of man will be. (**Matthew 24:27**)
- Then he went on to say also to the crowds; When you see a cloud rising in western parts, at once you say; A storm is coming, and it turns out so. (**Luke 12:54**)
- Furthermore, people will come from eastern parts and western, and from north and south, and will recline at the table in the kingdom of God. (**Luke 13:29**)
- On the east were three gates, and on the north three gates, and on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. (**Revelation 21:13**)