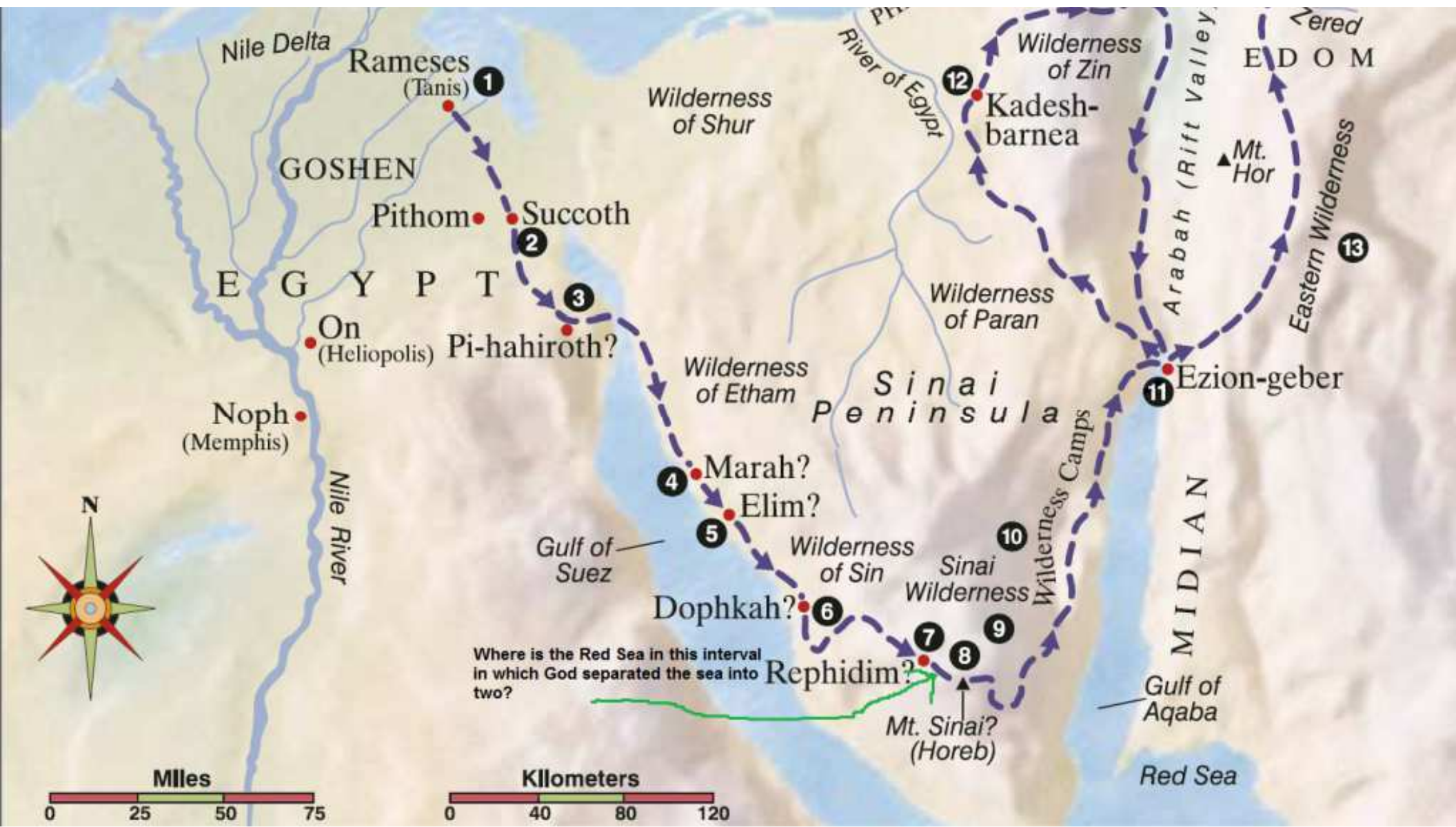


An open Bible is shown at the top and bottom of the image. A wooden gavel is placed diagonally across the Bible. The background is a textured, parchment-like surface. The word "JOSHUA" is written in large, dark, 3D-style letters across the center.

JOSHUA

Called For Such Times



GREAT FIRST LESSONS

- **Do what you are asked to do!**
- **Everyone has their place!**
- **Obedience brings victory!**
- **Recite it to Joshua... something important!**
 - **Joshua's future as the next leader...**
- **What are you being asked to do...?**

Times and God's people

- **God's people have come to the Mountain of God!**
 - Preparation and cleansing – Chapter 19
 - 19:24 – Moses Aaron go up
 - Chapter 20 – 10 commandments thunder from the Mountain
 - 20:18 ¶ And all the people perceived the thunder and the lightning flashes and the sound of the trumpet and the mountain smoking; and when the people saw it, they trembled and stood at a distance. 19 Then they said to Moses, "Speak to us yourself and we will listen; but let not God speak to us, lest we die."

Altar & Laws

- **Chapters 20:22ff – I have spoken to you!**
 - Altar of earth, uncut stones
- **Chapters 21-23 – slaves, capital crimes, “restitution”, Sabbath, yearly feasts, and an angel 23:20ff!**
- **Chapter 24 – God calls the people again**
 - Aaron, Nadab, Abihu, 70 elders... MOSES (vs 2)
 - Blood “covering (vs.8)
 - Elders behold Him (9-11) “ate and drank”

Stone tablet

- **24:12 – called to receive the tablets...**
- **13 So Moses arose with Joshua his servant, and Moses went up to the mountain of God.**
 - **Not the servant of God**
 - **Not the Servant of the People**
 - **But, he won the battle, fought the Amalekites, stood in the fighting... he is now what???**
 - **Servant of Moses???**

Obedience is CRUCIAL

- **Joshua the Servant - *sharath***
 - This word is used of: (92x O.T.)
 - Joseph to Potiphar (1st time – Gen 39:4)
 - Joseph to the prisoners (Gen 40:4)
 - Aaron/priest when the minister to God (Exodus 28:35)
 - Samuel ministering to the Lord/Eli (1Samuel 2:11,18)
 - Abishag ministering to David (1Kings 1:4,15)
 - Elisha ministering to Elijah (1Kings 19:21)
 - Psalm 101:6; 103:21; 104:4; Isaiah 56:6; 61:6

Stone tablet

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- Elders, Aaron, Hur told to wait – look after the people
- Glory of God comes down on the Mountain (16)
- 40 days and nights – vs 18
- Chapters 25-32 – detailed laws given... tabernacle plans
- Chapter 32 people sin, Moses intercedes...
- And, 40 days later...

Joshua before God

- **As Moses comes down, Joshua is still there! (17)**
 - How patient are we?
 - What experiences did Joshua have on the Mountain?
 - How important was it for him to be there?
 - Does the change us when we learn to wait?
- **Exodus 33:11 Thus the LORD used to speak to Moses face to face, just as a man speaks to his friend. When Moses returned to the camp, his servant Joshua, the son of Nun, a young man, would not depart from the tent.**

Lessons learned?

- **JOSHUA learned to be a SERVANT first!**
- **Humbling our goals, wants, desires, before God.**
- **Serving God's "servant" can teach us a lot!**
- **Waiting, being patient creates character.**
- **Lasting HUNGER FOR GOD is birthed, continues...**
- **Such people, God uses!**