

JOSHUA 21



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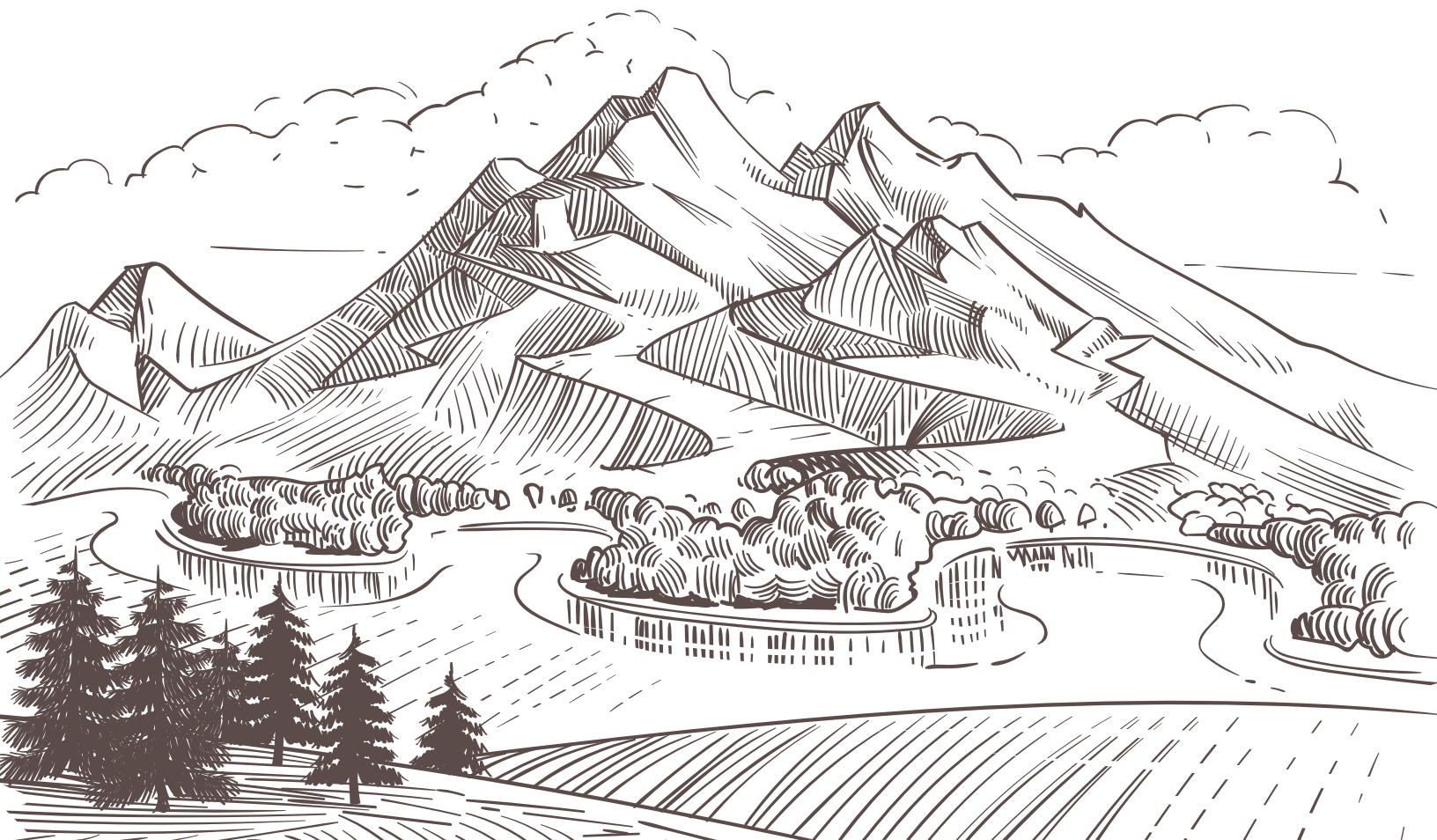
- Israel's conquest of the Promised Land began around 1450 B.C. and lasted approximately 5-7 years.

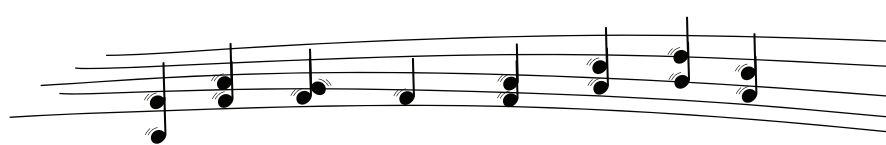
CHARACTERS

- **Joshua** – Joshua led the Israelites during their conquest of the Promised Land. Joshua was the assistant of Moses during the Israelite's time wandering in the wilderness.
- **Levites** – Descendants of Jacob's son Levi. They were a special tribe dedicated to serving God.
- **Aaron** – The first High Priest of Israel. He was the brother of Moses.
- **Eleazar** – The second High Priest of Israel. He was the son of Aaron and nephew of Moses.

WHERE

- Joshua was camped at Shiloh (21:2).
- Joshua 21 is a list of the cities given to the Levites. The Levites didn't receive a land inheritance like the other tribes, instead they were given a selection of cities within the territories of the other tribes.





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OUTLINE

- THE CITIES OF THE LEVITES (21:1-45):

- + The Levites approached Joshua and asked him to fulfill the promise made to them by Moses and give them cities to live in within the Promised Land.
- + Joshua 21 includes a list of the cities the Levites received.
- + The family of Aaron received 13 cities out of the lands of Judah, Simeon, and Benjamin.
- + The family of Kohath received 10 cities out of the lands of Ephraim, Dan, and Manasseh.
- + The family of Gershon received 13 cities out of the lands of Issachar, Asher, Naphtali, and Manasseh.
- + The family of Merari received 12 cities out of the lands of Reuben, Gad, and Zebulun.
- + The 6 cities of refuge (Joshua 20) were included in the Levite's inheritance.
- + In total, the Levites received 48 cities with their surrounding pasturelands.
- + Joshua 21 concludes by stating that God kept all His promises to Israel and gave them victory over all the enemies they encountered during their conquest of the Promised Land.

