



CAVE 1

במערה זו מצאו שלושה רועים בדואים בשנת 1947, במקרה, שמונה קנקני חרס. בתוך אחד הקנקנים היו שלוש מגילות: מגילת ישעיהו השלמה, שבה כל ספר ישעיהו כתוב בנוסח עממי; מגילת סרך היחד, שבה ספר התקנות של אנשי כת מדבר יהודה; ומגילת פשר חבקוק, המפרשת את ספר חבקוק על סמך אירועים שהתרחשו בתקופת הבית השני.

מאוחר יותר התגלו במערה ארבע מגילות נוספות: מגילת ישעיהו נוסח ב', הכתובה בנוסח המסורה; מגילת מלחמת בני אור בבני חושך, המתארת את המלחמה שלאחריה יבוא יום הדין; מגילת ההודיות, המכילה ארבעים מזמורי תודה; ומגילה חיצונית לספר בראשית, שנכתבה ארמית ומרחיבה את הכתוב בספר בראשית באופן סיפורי.

IN 1947, THREE BEDOUIN SHEPHERDS DISCOVERED EIGHT CLAY JARS IN THIS CAVE. ONE JAR CONTAINED THREE SCROLLS: THE COMPLETE ISAIAH SCROLL (WRITTEN IN POPULAR VERSION), THE COMMUNITY RULE (THE RULE BOOK OF THE QUMRAN SECT), AND THE HABAKKUK COMMENTARY (AN INTERPRETATION OF THE BOOK OF HABAKKUK IN LIGHT OF THE EVENTS OF THE SECOND TEMPLE PERIOD).

LATER, FOUR ADDITIONAL SCROLLS WERE DISCOVERED IN THE CAVE: A SECOND VERSION OF THE BOOK OF ISAIAH, WRITTEN IN THE MASORETIC STYLE, THE WAR SCROLL, WHICH DESCRIBES A WAR TO BE FOLLOWED BY JUDGMENT DAY, THE THANKSGIVING SCROLL, CONTAINING FORTY PSALMS OF THANKSGIVING, AND THE GENESIS APOCRYPHON, WRITTEN IN ARAMAIC IN A NARRATIVE STYLE AND EXPANDING ON THE GENESIS STORIES.











Joshua 6: 1-5

1 Now Jericho was tightly shut up because of the Israelites. No one went out and no one came in.2 Then the LORD said to Joshua, "See, I have delivered Jericho into your hands, along with its king and its fighting men.3 March around the city once with all the armed men. Do this for six days.4 Have seven priests carry trumpets of rams' horns in front of the ark. On the seventh day, march around the city seven times, with the priests blowing the trumpets.5 When you hear them sound a long blast on the trumpets, have all the people give a loud shout; then the wall of the city will collapse and the people will go up, every man straight in."



These human settlements which started in the Natufian period (around 9,000 BC) giving birth to an extraordinary Neolithic (8,500-5000 BC) community

The site witnessed the creation of agriculture and animal husbandry, the birth of architecture with earliest mud-brick and of religion with cult of ancestors. For all these reasons this site is known as THE OLDEST CITY OF THE WORLD

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The oldest city of the world

The people of the city said to Elisha, (The location of this city is good but the water is bad, and the land is unfruitful). He said, (Bring me a new bowl and put salt in it). So they brought it to him, then he went to spring of the water and threw the salt into it, and said, (Thus says the Lord I have made this water wholesome, from now on neither death nor miscarriage shall come from it)

Elisha Spring Fountain



JERICHO

THE LOWEST PLACE ON EARTH
1300 FEET BELOW SEA-LEVEL

10,000 YEARS OLD

BLESSED PEACE FROM THE OLDEST CITY

8000 B.C.

1979









Luke 19: 1-10

1 Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. 2 A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was wealthy. 3 He wanted to see who Jesus was, but because he was short he could not see over the crowd. 4 So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way. 5 When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, “Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today.” 6 So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly. 7 All the people saw this and began to mutter, “He has gone to be the guest of a sinner.” 8 But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, “Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount.” 9 Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. 10 For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.”



Mark 10: 46-52

⁶They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. ⁴⁷When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” ⁴⁸Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” ⁴⁹Jesus stood still and said, “Call him here.” And they called the blind man, saying to him, “Take heart; get up, he is calling you.” ⁵⁰So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. ⁵¹Then Jesus said to him, “What do you want me to do for you?” The blind man said to him, “My teacher, let me see again.” ⁵²Jesus said to him, “Go; your faith has made you well.” Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

















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