The Half Was Not Told

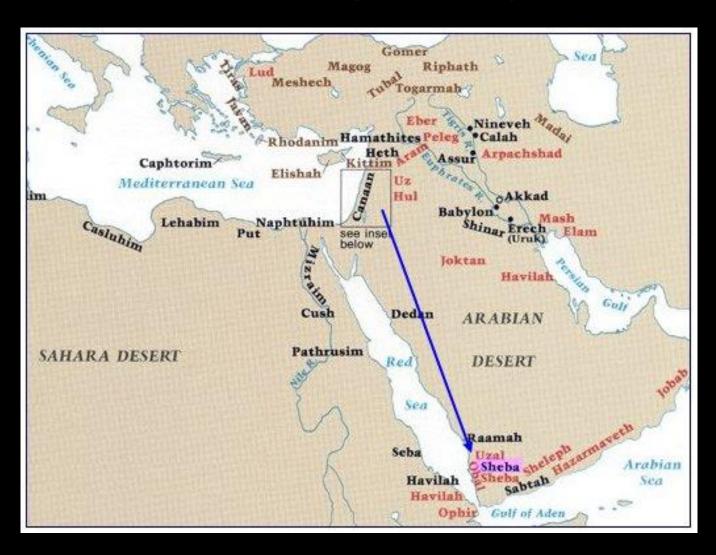
1 Kings 10:1-13

I. What The Queen Heard, Saw, And Did

She heard of Solomon's fame, 1

• 1 Kings 4:29-34; 9:26

Sheba ('South')



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- Heard reports
 - Had to know for herself
 - Privilege: talk to wisest man in world

She heard of Solomon's LORD, 1, 6

- God made Solomon what he was
- 1 K.3

Came to test Solomon, 1

- Not gullible.
- 1 Th.5:21; 1 Jn.4:1

Came to Jerusalem, 1-2

- Long trip: cost, fatigue; no comforts of home
- Humility: no one knows everything

Came with gifts, 2

Knowledge is priceless

Came to learn, 2-3

Solomon answered all her questions

- Her reaction: 4-5, 'no more spirit...'
- Her resolve: 7, see it for herself
- Her realization: 6-7, reports true, but understated

Credits God for it all, 8-9

Pagan learns about true God

Her money, 10

- 4 ½ tons of gold
- Wisdom is most valuable, Pr.8
- What is soul worth? Mt.16:26

She asked and received, 13

• Lk.11:9-13

She went home a changed person, 13

- Listen respect
- Learn ripen
- Live righteous
 - We cannot surpass God in giving

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II. What Jesus Said About The Queen, Lk.11

The Setting: 9-13 Yours for the asking

Mt.12:24 (Pharisees); Mk.3:22 (scribes)

Squandered their opportunity

The Sign: 14 Common people marveled

The Slander: 15-16

Could not deny the miracle

- Charge Him with collusion ('by Beelzebub')
- 2. Challenge Him to show sign

The Silencing: 17-23 'Do you need glasses?'

- 1. Illogical, 17-18. Satan proves Jesus supreme authority? Satan casts out satan??
- 2. Inconsistent, 19. 'Your sons'
- 3. Inexcusable, 20-22. 'Finger of God' Ex.8:15, 19.
- 4. Infernal (24-26). No neutrality.

The Support: 27-28

A Woman understands Him

Better than family relationship is hearing and obeying His word.

His brothers do not believe.

The Scripture: 29-32

Jonah, 29-30: sign to this generation

Queen of South, 31: judge of this generation

- ✓ Hb.11:7
- ✓ Imagine this evidence in court

Queen of Sheba	Pharisees
1200+ miles away	Truth in their midst, Lk.22:53
Solomon's wisdom	Access to One Greater than Solomon
Merely heard reports	Many religious advantages
Gave Solomon treasures, 1 K.10:10	Give nothing; plot to take Life
Her own initiative; no invitation	Invited, urged to accept truth, 14:15

- 1. Solomon was 'light in world' (6-9)
 - Jesus is Source of light, Jn.8:12
 - We reflect His light, Lk.11:33-36
 - People watch us. Ph.2:14-15
 - What can I do? Be bright

- 2. Queen came from far off
 - We once were 'far off' Ep.2:13
 - Jn.1:46

- 3. Told Solomon all her heart, 2
 - We may bring all our difficulties to the Lord, Col.2:3

- 4. She returned to Sheba a changed person, 13
 - We should too, Ac.4:13

- 5. Two kinds of people
 - Queen: breath taken away over Solomon's wisdom
 - Pharisees: foolishly yawn at Son of God
 - Lk.19:48

- 6. Indifference to Lord invites judgment by Queen of Sheba
 - But I had to travel 15 minutes...'
 - 'I was too sleepy / bored to listen'
 - 'I have short attention span'
 - 'I'm too busy to study at home'