

The Migration of Dan (Judges 18)



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Jos 19:47 And the coast of the children of Dan went out too little for them: therefore the children of Dan went up to fight against Leshem, and took it, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and possessed it, and dwelt therein, and called Leshem, Dan, after the name of Dan their father.

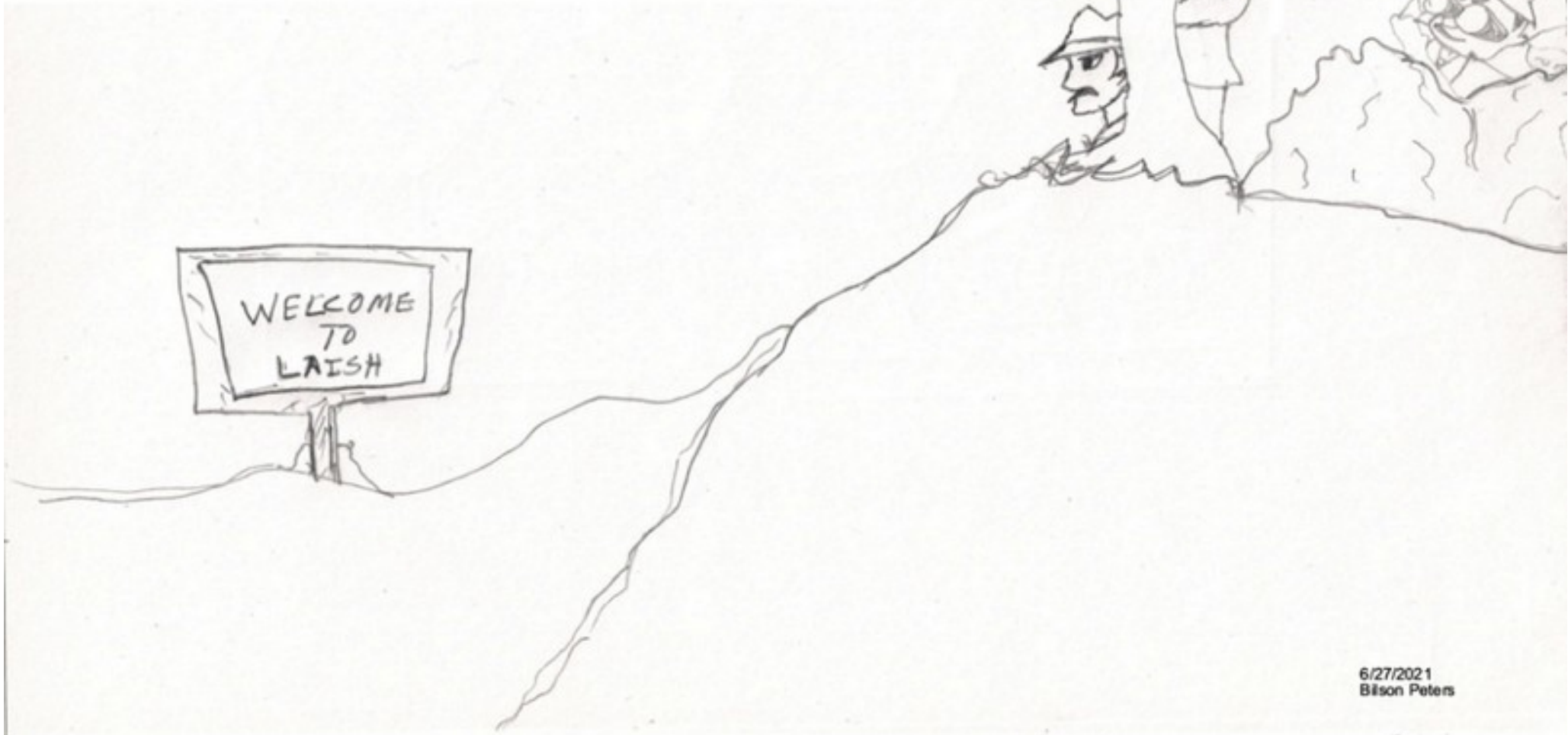
1Cor. 7:17 But as God hath distributed to every man, as the Lord hath called every one, so let him walk. And so ordain I in all churches. ... 20 Let every man abide in the same calling wherein he was called.

Heb. 13:5 Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.

1Co 12:18 But now hath God set the members every one of them in the body, as it hath pleased him.

Judg. 18:2 And the children of Dan sent of their family five men from their coasts, men of valour, from Zorah, and from Eshtaol, to spy out the land, and to search it; and they said unto them, Go, search the land: who when they came to mount Ephraim, to the house of Micah, they lodged there.

- How many spies did the tribe of Dan send out to claim an inheritance?



Dan's Interview with the Levite

3 The **voice/sound** קול

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Ex 28:34 a golden bell and a pomegranate, upon the hem of the robe round about. 35 And it shall be upon Aaron to minister: and his **sound** קול shall be heard when he goeth in unto the holy place before the LORD, and when he cometh out, that he die not.

How the Levite answered the Danites, 18:4:

Who brought thee? Micah

What hast thou? He hired me

What doest thou? I am his priest

If the Levite had asked the Danites:

Who brought you? Jdg 11:24 Wilt not thou possess that which Chemosh thy god giveth thee to possess? So whomsoever the LORD our God shall drive out from before us, them will we possess.

What are you doing? Deut 13:6 If thy brother, the son of thy mother, or thy son, or thy daughter, or the wife of thy bosom, or thy friend, which is as thine own soul, entice thee secretly, saying, Let us go and serve other gods, which thou hast not known, thou, nor thy fathers; ... 9 ... thou shalt surely kill him; thine hand shall be first upon him to put him to death, and afterwards the hand of all the people. 10 And thou shalt stone him with stones, that he die; ... 12 If thou shalt hear say in one of thy cities, which the LORD thy God hath given thee to dwell there, saying, 13 Certain men, the children of Belial, are gone out from among you, and have withdrawn the inhabitants of their city, saying, Let us go and serve other gods, which ye have not known; ... 15 Thou shalt surely smite the inhabitants of that city with the edge of the sword, destroying it utterly, and all that is therein, and the cattle thereof, with the edge of the sword.

What do you have? Jos 18:3 And Joshua said unto the children of Israel, How long are ye slack to go to possess the land, which the LORD God of your fathers hath given you?

18:5, Asking Counsel of the Lord

The precedent:

Jdg 1:1 Now after the death of Joshua it came to pass, that the children of Israel asked the LORD, saying, Who shall go up for us against the Canaanites first, to fight against them?

18:6, the non-answer: “before the Lord is your way”

Gen. 17:1 And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I am the Almighty God; **walk before me**, and be thou perfect.

Prov. 5:21 For the ways of man are **before the eyes** of the LORD, and he pondereth all his goings.

Later examples of religious consumerism:

Isa 30:9 That this is a rebellious people, lying children, children that will not hear the law of the LORD: 10 Which say to the seers, See not; and to the prophets, Prophecy not unto us right things, **speak unto us smooth things, prophecy deceits:** 11 Get you out of the way, turn aside out of the path, cause the Holy One of Israel to cease from before us.

2Ti 4:3 For the time will come when they will **not endure sound doctrine;** but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;

2Th 2:10 them that perish; because they **received not the love of the truth,** that they might be saved.

Judges 18 and Numbers 13-14

	Five Danites, Judges 18	Joshua and Caleb, Numbers 13-14
Exhortation to go	9a And they said, Arise, that we may go up against them: ... 9d and are ye still? be not slothful to go, and to enter to possess the land.	13:30 And Caleb stilled the people before Moses, and said, Let us go up at once, and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it.
Eyewitness	9b for we have seen the land ,	14:7a And they spake unto all the company of the children of Israel, saying, The land, which we passed through to search it,
Goodness of the land	9c and, behold, it is very good טובה מאוד :	7b is an exceeding good land טובה הארץ מאוד מאוד .
Condition of the people	10a When ye go, ye shall come unto a people secure ,	9b neither fear ye the people of the land; for they are bread for us: their defence is departed from them , and the LORD is with us: fear them not.
Goodness of the land	10b and to a large land: ... 10d a place where there is no want of any thing that is in the earth.	8b a land which floweth with milk and honey .
Dependence on the Lord	10c for God hath given it into your hands;	8a If the LORD delight in us, then he will bring us into this land, and give it us; ... 9a Only rebel not ye against the LORD,