

Judges 3:31
Shamgar Delivers Israel

“Shamgar, the son of Anath”

“he struck down 600 Philistines”

Who were the Philistines?

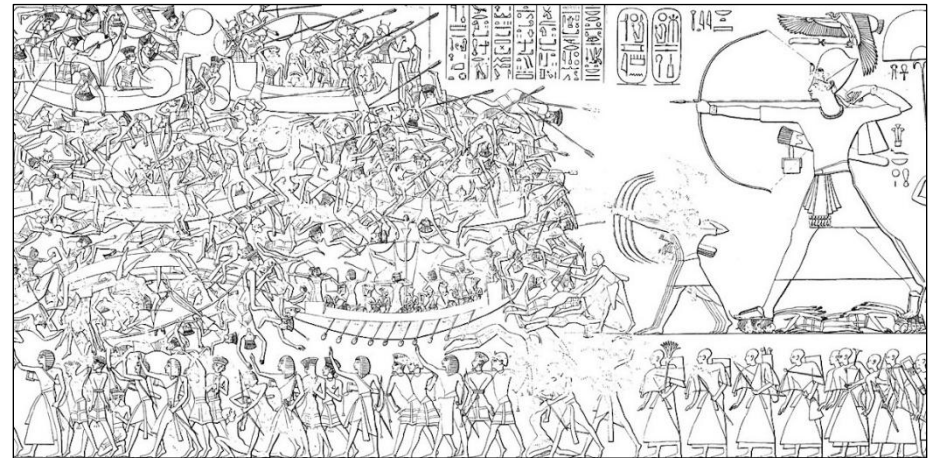
Where did they come from?

Are they different than the Philistines of Abraham’s day?

“with an oxgoad”

Food for Thought

- Even in relatively _____, the Bible accurately reflects the time in which it claims to have been written.
- This is _____, using (possibly) a foreigner with a farm instrument to deliver his people from a wild bunch of foreigners.



▲ Relief portraying the battle between the Sea Peoples (including the Philistines) and the Egyptians and Ramesses III, from Medinet Habu, 1174 BC.

	Patriarchal Philistines	Iron Age Philistines
Titles	kings (<i>melekim</i>)	princes (<i>seranim</i>)
Names	Canaanite <i>Abimelech, Phicol</i>	Indo-European <i>Goliath, Achish</i>
Cities	Gerar, Avva, Geshur	Gath, Ekron, Gaza, Ashkelon, Ashdod
LXX names	“Philistiim” (Gen-Josh) Φυλιστιειμ	“Strangers” (Judges on) ἄλλόφυλοι
Relations	friendship	animosity
Circumcision	No reference (as with other Canaanites)	uncircumcised (as with Greek isle populations)

