



THE LIFE OF TIMOTHY

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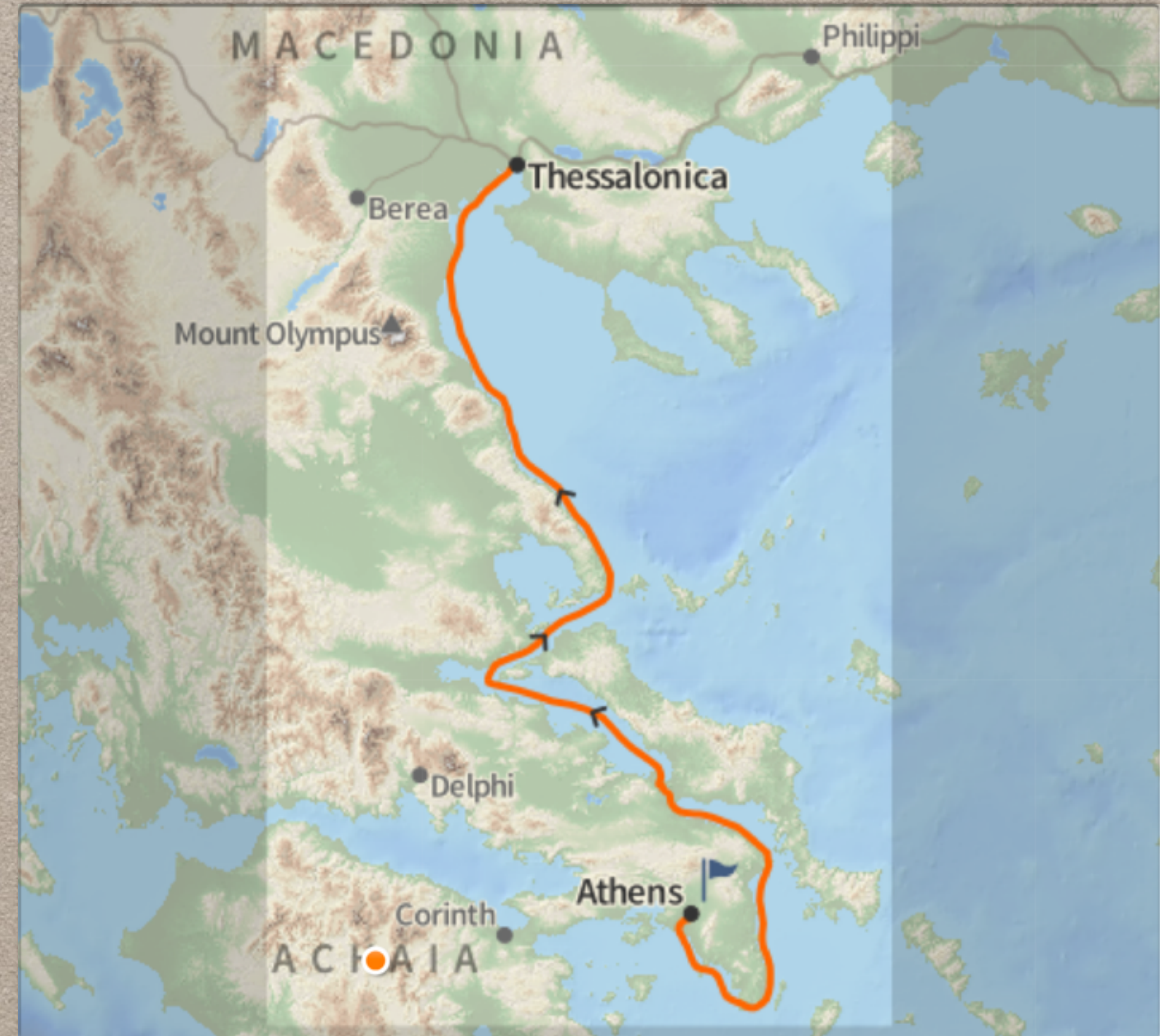
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BACK TOGETHER IN CORINTH

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SENT BACK FROM ATHENS

- 1 Thess. 3:1-13 about this episode (Acts doesn't mention this brief reunion in Athens, but picks back up with him coming to Corinth)
 - Timothy is reporting, writing, carrying, and representing
 - Bearing apostolic authority, as he will again many times ("apostles" 1 Thess. 2:6)
 - "A man under authority" (cf. Matt. 8:9)
 - Someone is backing you up – you represent more than you







Rome

ITALY

Puteoli

MACEDONIA

Philippi

Berea

Thessalonica

Mount Olympus

ACHAIA

Corinth

Athens

Cenchreae

TENTMAKING

- “Cilicium” cloth or leather working
- Why?
 - To not be like the traveling philosophers
 - To combat idleness by his lifestyle
 - To offer the gospel free of charge was reward enough for him



ERASTUS, THE CITY TREASURER

- Acts 19:22
- Romans 16:23
- 2 Timothy 4:20



THE ISTHMIAN GAMES



PAUL IN CORINTH

- What's been happening in Corinth? (Acts 18:1-18)
- What things are being confronted? What is this city like?
- "Sophists" (Witherington, p. 547f.)
- 1 Cor. 2:1-5 about his ministry there [freshly after Athens]
- 1 Cor. 9 – Sacrificing privileges
- 1 Cor. 15:1ff. – "The gospel which I preached to you, which you also received ..."

GALLIO'S DECISION

- Pollock, p. 170-172
- *Evidence*, p. 33ff.



ACHAIA

- 1 Cor. 16:15
- 2 Cor. 1:1; 9:2; 11:10
- How was Achaia reached?
 - Pollock, p. 172-3

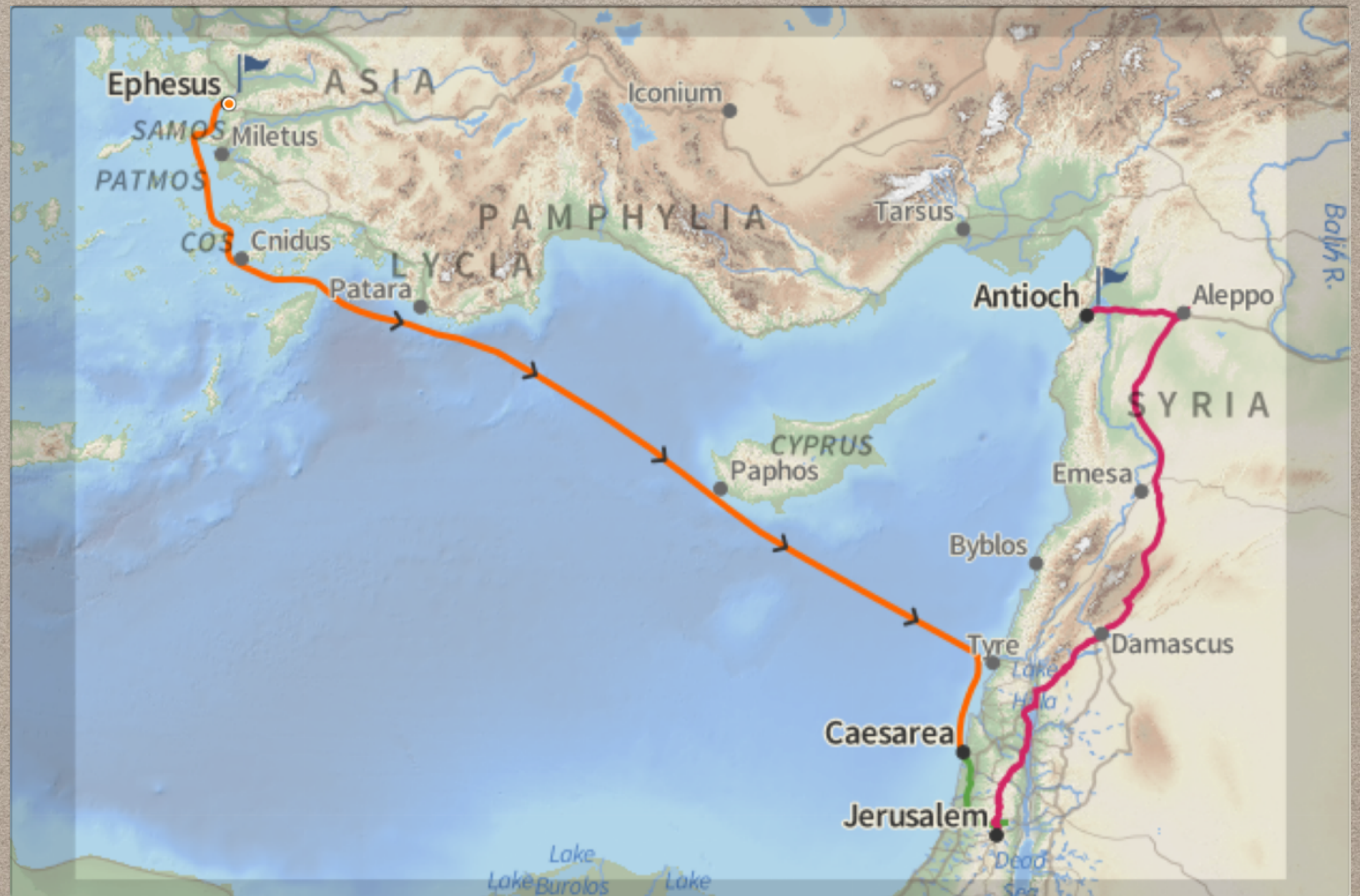


THE THESSALONIAN LETTERS – “NOW WE REALLY LIVE, IF YOU STAND FIRM IN THE LORD”

- Thoughts from Witherington and other commentators
- 1 and 2 Thessalonians written (note the persistent “we”)
 - Concerns with forgery, Pollock p. 170 (2 Thess 2:2; 3:17; Gal. 6:11)
- Coauthorship in Pierson, p. 102-108. – Makes an excellent case for Timothy having a real effect on the letters. p. 120-1 emphasize the “Timothy factor” overall – 98%?

TIMOTHY ACCOMPANIES PAUL BACK TO ANTIOCH

- What happened to Silas?
 - No further word here, but probably became an associate of Peter's (1 Pet. 5:12)
- Pierson, p.66f.
 - Timothy presumably gets to meet the churches of Caesarea, Jerusalem, and Antioch.





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