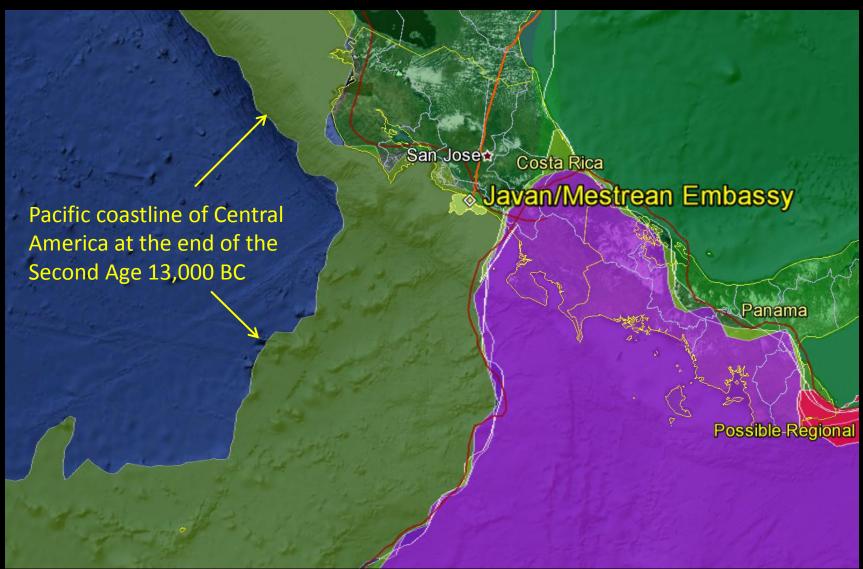
Second Sight and Second Birth

Jordan and Suri's route during the series so far....

Jordan begins his journey through the Second Age by "landing" in the Javan/Mestrean Embassy on the southwest border of Atlas. Atlas, according to Plato was the most powerful country of the ten nations of Atlantis. The Atlantean capital, Poseidon was located in the heart of Atlas. Poseidon would have been an ancient equivalent to Rome of the Roman empire, only much larger and more affluent. I believe based on evidence through out the Caribbean that this enormous capital lies buried under the sands of the Caribbean between the Yucatan peninsula and the southwest coastline of Cuba.



On a whim and to make my conclusion work in Second Birth, I placed the Javan / Mestrean Embassy off the Pacific Coast of Costa Rica near the modern city of Quepos. (http://www.puertoquepos.com/costa-rica/quepos.html) In 13,000 BC the ocean was 800 feet lower. The Embassy would have been on dry land, about 350 miles inland from the ancient coastline.



Suri is a princess of Mestre, the ancestor nation of Egypt according to the First Century historian Josephus. She and her fiancé, Amon, prince of Mestre along with the Ambassadors of Mestre and Javan are called to Poseidon for an emergency meeting with the Queen of Atlantis. Jordan is brought along for the ride at the insistence of the Mestrean ambassador. The Mestrean and Javan security details aren't happy campers about Jordan being added. Tensions are high between Atlantis and the free nations of the East. One more civilian to watch in the heart of the enemy's capital is not welcome news.



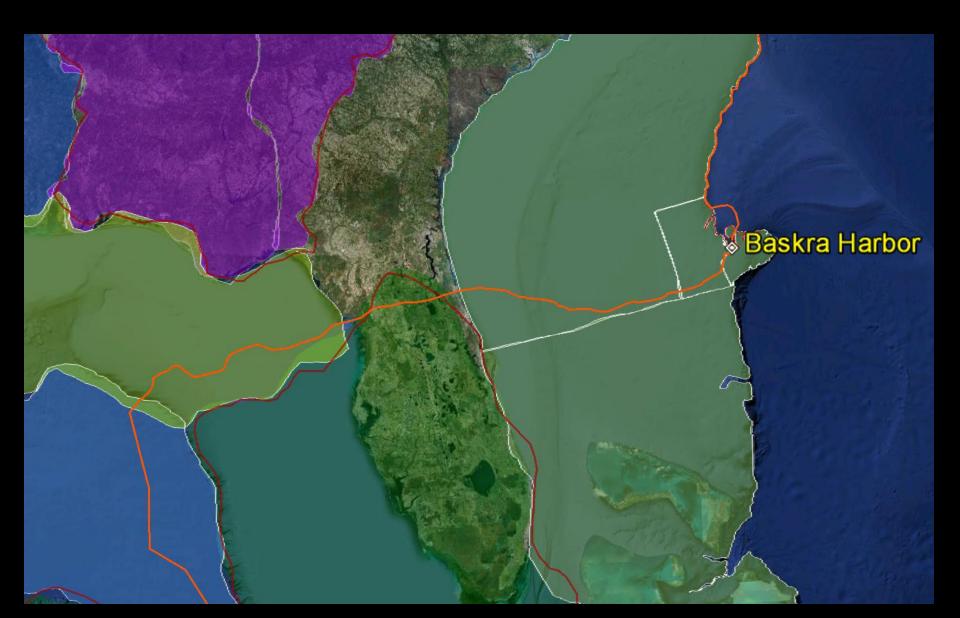
Plato describes Poseidon as the greatest city that ever existed. He gives the dimensions of the city. Based on those dimensions the city was large enough to contain Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, and Vermont with room left over. In the heart of this ancient capital was an old Citadel or ringed city. I will draw this later in the book series after I publish book Four .



All heck breaks loose in the Capital, thanks to Jordan. The security detail led by Levi and Aaron have to evacuate the diplomats. Their route is shown in orange. At one point they cross the Florida peninsula which in 13,000 BC was a highland region covered with enormous trees. These trees covered the valley between Florida and the Bahamas. Their trunks were 12 to 15 feet in diameter. I made them a bit larger since I was writing fiction.



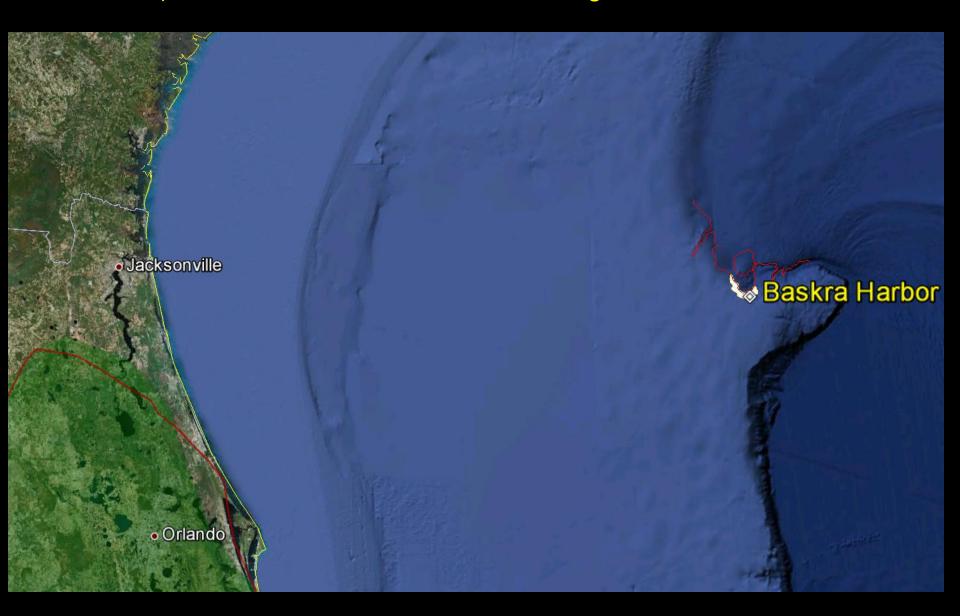
Levi and Aaron take their complaining civilians to the east coast to Baskra Harbor where they find transportation north.



I drew the details of the route to, around, and out of Baskra Harbor for the benefit of those who read Second Sight. I can't describe what happens without spoiling part of the story for those of you who haven't read it yet. The raft technology was straight from the Inca.



I chose Baskra Harbor's location by looking at a submerged natural harbor 1100 miles east of Jacksonville. It would have taken 16 hours to drive there by car in 13,000 BC (A wheeled car) It would have taken 14 hours if I was driving.



Here's a close up of the coastline without any of the land colored in. My dad told me the Baskra escape scene was one of his favorites. Coming from my Captain USN dad, that meant a lot. I chose the name Baskra because of the Basque migration legends.

