

TYRE AND SIDON

Tyre and Sidon were two great seaports north of Israel. They were very old, strong cities. Sidon was 30 miles north of Tyre. Great ships sailed from Tyre and Sidon to all the lands around. Israel from the city to Tyre. People in these cities also made a special purple dye from a certain shellfish. They shipped this dye to many people in other lands.

People from Tyre and Sidon came to hear Jesus. (Luke 6:17 and Mark 3:8) Some of these people believed. Jesus went to Tyre and Sidon to try to get away from the great crowds. While Jesus was there He healed a little girl. (Mark 7:24-31)

Paul stopped at Tyre on his third missionary journey. When Paul left, the Christian families walked with Paul to the shore. They all knelt to pray there on the beach. Then Paul sailed away. (Acts 21:2-6)

Tyre and Sidon were once great cities. Today we can only find a trace of these cities.

