

## Limhi's men could not find Zarahemla

*Shortly after Limhi's men passed through the gap in the Narrow Strip of Wilderness they came to Chixoy River and made the mistake of thinking it was the river that would take them to Zarahemla. Instead, the Chixoy River took them to the Usumacinta River.*

*Mosiah 8:7 And the king said unto him (Ammon): Being grieved for the afflictions of my people, I caused that forty and three of my people should take a journey into the wilderness, that thereby they might find the land of Zarahemla, that we might appeal unto our brethren to deliver us out of bondage.*

The Usumacinta River carried them northward to an area that was a land of many waters in the Meridor Basin. This area is also the proposed location of the great Jaredite nation of Moron. The rainfall was higher during the Jaredite time frame so many of the current Bajoes were lakes.

*Mosiah 8:8 And thy were lost in the wilderness for the space of many days, yet they were diligent, and found not the land of Zarahemla but returned to this land, having traveled in a land among many waters, having discovered a land which was covered with bones of men, and of beasts, and was also covered with ruins of buildings of every kind, having discovered a land which had been peopled with*

The map to the right is that of the Mirador Basin. A place of many waters during Pre-Classic Period. The time when Limhi's men were searching for Zarahemla.

