

Hedareb Beja in Eritrea



What is the largest non-Arabic ethnic group between the Nile River and the Red Sea? The Bejas! One subgroup, the Hedareb, are nomadic shepherds who live in the desert regions of Sudan, Egypt and Eritrea. Many believe the Beja are descendants of Noah's grandson, Cush. They have occupied their current homeland for more than 4,000 years. During this time, they have adopted Islam and mixed it with folk religion.

Ministry Obstacles

They are scattered over more than 110,000 square miles which makes it hard to reach all of them.

Outreach Ideas

The Lord can raise up missionaries who are willing to go to the Beja and invest themselves in the nomadic lifestyle. The Hedareb Beja can also encounter the gospel online and through radio.

Prayer Focus

There are no known Hedareb Beja believers. Pray for God to establish his Church among this people group.



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POPULATION: 201,000

LANGUAGE: Bedawiyet

RELIGION: Islam

BIBLE: Portions

STATUS: Unreached

Ask God to reveal himself to the Beja and set them free from the belief that they can please God through words without a savior. Pray for a movement to Christ among the Beja peoples this decade.

SCRIPTURE I will give thanks to you, O LORD, among the peoples; I will sing praises to you among the nations. Psalm 108:3, ESV

PRAY that God will raise up thankful people from among this people.