

The excavations at Hazor unearthed some of the finest examples of Canaanite religious and cultic materials. This pottery mask of the 14th century B.C.E. (the el-Amarna period) was found in the southwestern corner of the lower city in a potter's workshop. It resembles another found at the eastern edge of the lower city. The potter's shop stood near the small, broadhouse stela temple (see Slide 23). The exact use of the mask is unknown. The mask was attached to the head by a string, which fit through the holes visible next to the ears and on the forehead.