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# Saul's Pride

6 And it came to pass as they came, when David was returned from the slaughter of the Philistine, that the women came out of all cities of Israel, singing and dancing, to meet king Saul, with tabrets, with joy, and with instruments of musick.

7 And the women answered one another as they played, and said, Saul hath slain his thousands, and David his ten thousands.

# Saul's Pride

8 And Saul was very wroth, and the saying displeased him; and he said, They have ascribed unto David ten thousands, and to me they have ascribed but thousands: and what can he have more but the kingdom?

9 And Saul eyed David from that day and forward.

1 Sam 18:8

# David's Flight from Saul

- Saul 7x attempts to kill David

*10 And it came to pass on the morrow, that the evil spirit from God came upon Saul, and he prophesied in the midst of the house: and David played with his hand, as at other times: and there was a javelin in Saul's hand.*

1 Sam 18:10



# David's Flight from Saul

- Saul 7x attempts to kill David

*II And Saul cast the javelin; for he said, I will smite David even to the wall with it. And David avoided out of his presence twice.*

1 Sam 18:11

- David is promoted to head of the army
- Saul then gives Michal to David as wife
  - Hoping that the Philistines will kill David



# The Book of 1st Samuel

## Chapter 19-21

David's Flight from Saul

# David's Flight from Saul

- Saul instructs Jonathan & all servants to kill David (attempt #3)
  - Jonathan temporarily pacifies Saul
- Saul then gives Michal to David as wife, hoping that the Philistines will kill David (attempt #4)
- Another Javelin attack (attempt #5)
- Saul sends to take David (attempt #6)
  - Michal helps David to escape through a window, and he flees to Samuel

# David's Flight from Saul

- Saul pursues David to Naoith
- David escapes and goes to see Jonathan
  - “What have I done?”
- Jonathan convinced that no harm will come to David
  - “Why should my father hide this thing from me? It is not so!”
  - When a soul is out of touch with God, he will even try to deceive those closest to him
- Jonathan proposes a test

# David's Flight from Saul

- David is absent from the new moon feast
- Saul even attempts to kill Jonathan
- David then flees to Nob – city of priests
  - Later Saul will come and kill 85 priests and turn on the city killing men, women and children
- David now goes to Achish, king of Gath
  - Were Achish and Goliath rivals?
  - Did David win favour with Achish by defeating Goliath?
  - David realises he is deep behind enemy lines!

**14** Then said Achish unto his servants, Lo, ye see the man is mad: wherefore then have ye brought him to me?

**15** Have I need of mad men, that ye have brought this fellow to play the mad man in my presence? shall this fellow come into my house?

**1 Samuel 21:14-15**

- Psalm 34 *“A Psalm of David, when he changed his behaviour before Abimelech; who drove him away, and he departed”*



# The Book of 1st Samuel

## Chapter 22

### David's Dark Hour

*I David therefore departed thence, and escaped to the cave Adullam...*

1 Samuel 22:1

- Psalm 142 – A Psalm of instruction
  - “A prayer when he was in the cave”
- David starts off alone...
- Then he is joined by his family...
- Then by all disgruntled by Saul’s reign
- 400 will increase to 600



# Psalm 142

- 1 I cried unto the LORD with my voice; with my voice unto the LORD did I make my supplication.*
- 2 I poured out my complaint before him; I shewed before him my trouble.*



# Psalm 142

3 When my spirit was overwhelmed within me, then thou knewest my path. In the way wherein I walked have they privily laid a snare for me.

4 I looked on my right hand, and beheld, but there was no man that would know me: refuge failed me; no man cared for my soul.



# Psalm 142

5 I cried unto thee, O LORD: I said, Thou art my refuge and my portion in the land of the living.

6 Attend unto my cry; for I am brought very low: deliver me from my persecutors; for they are stronger than I.

7 Bring my soul out of prison, that I may praise thy name: the righteous shall compass me about; for thou shalt deal bountifully with me.



# The Book of 1st Samuel

## Chapter 23

David's Betrayal at Keilah

# Betrayal at Keilah

- The town of Keilah comes under attack from the Philistines
- David comes to deliver them
  - after seeking the LORD!
- Saul hears David is there and goes after him
- David again seeks the LORD and is told that the people of Keilah would give him up to Saul
- David then flees toward En-Gedi



# The Book of 1st Samuel

## Chapter 24

### Saul's Pursuit of David

1 And it came to pass, when Saul was returned from following the Philistines, that it was told him, saying, Behold, David is in the wilderness of Engedi.

2 Then Saul took three thousand chosen men out of all Israel, and went to seek David and his men upon the rocks of the wild goats.

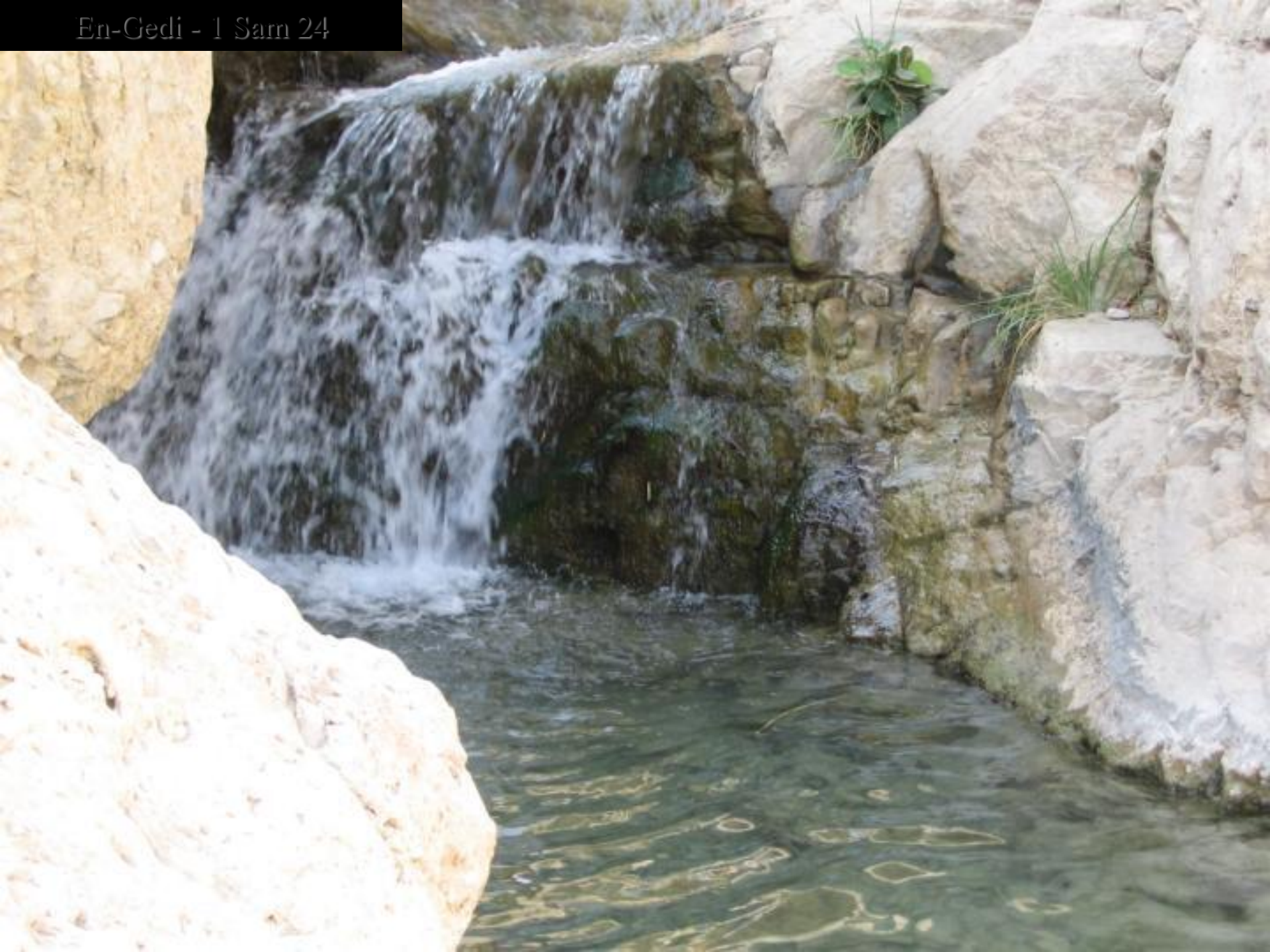
3 And he came to the sheepcotes by the way, where was a cave; and Saul went in to cover his feet: and David and his men remained in the sides of the cave.











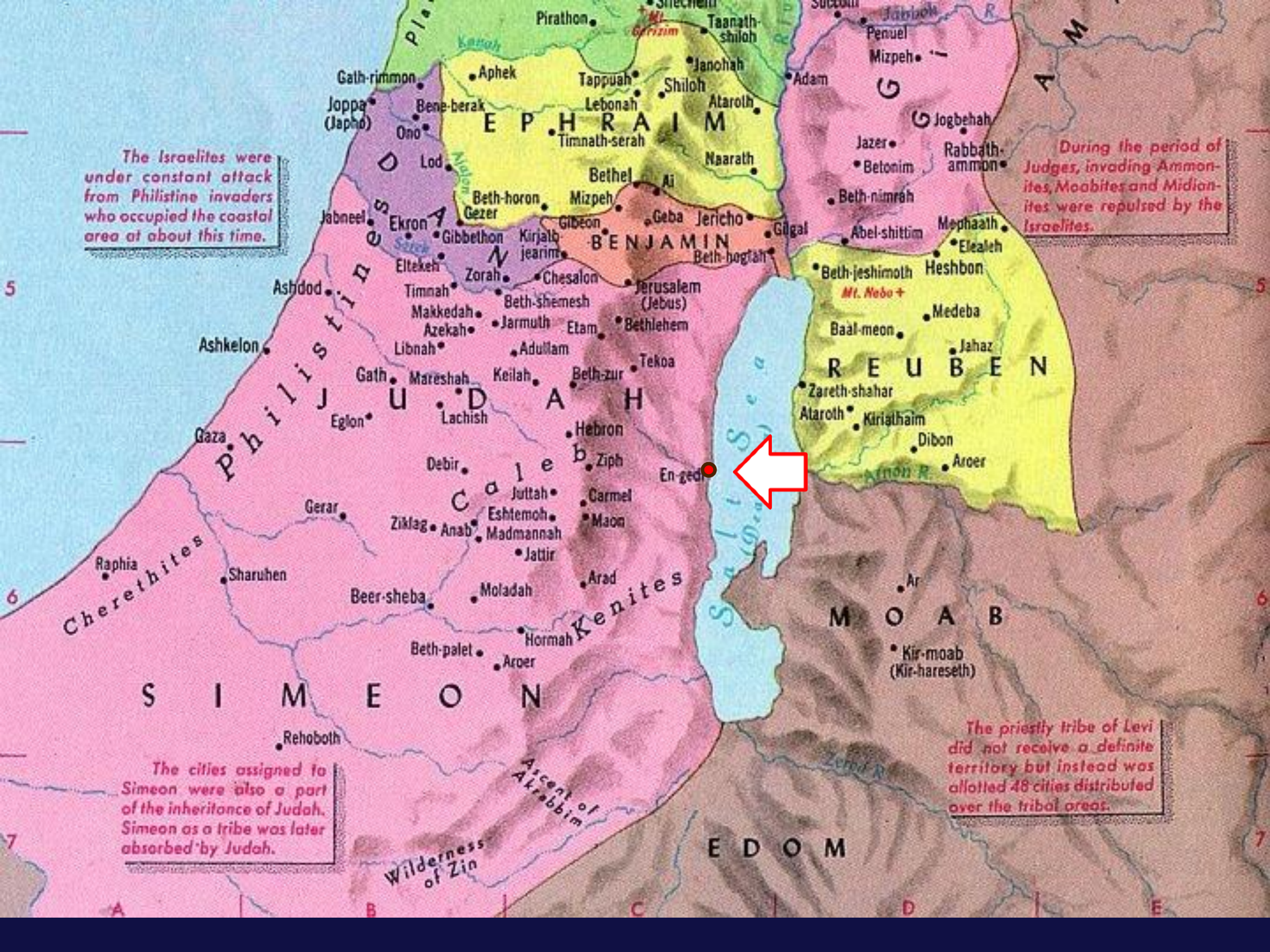


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# Submission to Authority

- While Saul is in the cave, David cut off the bottom of his robe
  - David's men had urged him to kill Saul
  - But how would that have helped in the long run?
  - “Vengeance is mine, I will repay” (Romans 12:19)
- *“Afterward David’s heart smote him”*
- David had publically rejected Saul’s authority – and then repents



# The Book of 1st Samuel

## Chapter 25

Vengeance is Mine

*1 And Samuel died; and all the Israelites were gathered together, and lamented him, and buried him in his house at Ramah. And David arose, and went down to the wilderness of Paran.*

**1 Samuel 25:1**



# Abigail & Nabal

- David's men are in need of sustenance
- They had already cared for Nabel's men and flock
- David requests sustenance from Nabel
- Nabel rejects David's request
- David is outraged and prepares to attack
- Abigail hears and petitions David
- David relents
- Nabel is then struck by the LORD and dies
- David then takes Abigail as his wife



# The Book of 1st Samuel

## Chapter 26

### Saul's Final Pursuit



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## Chapter 27

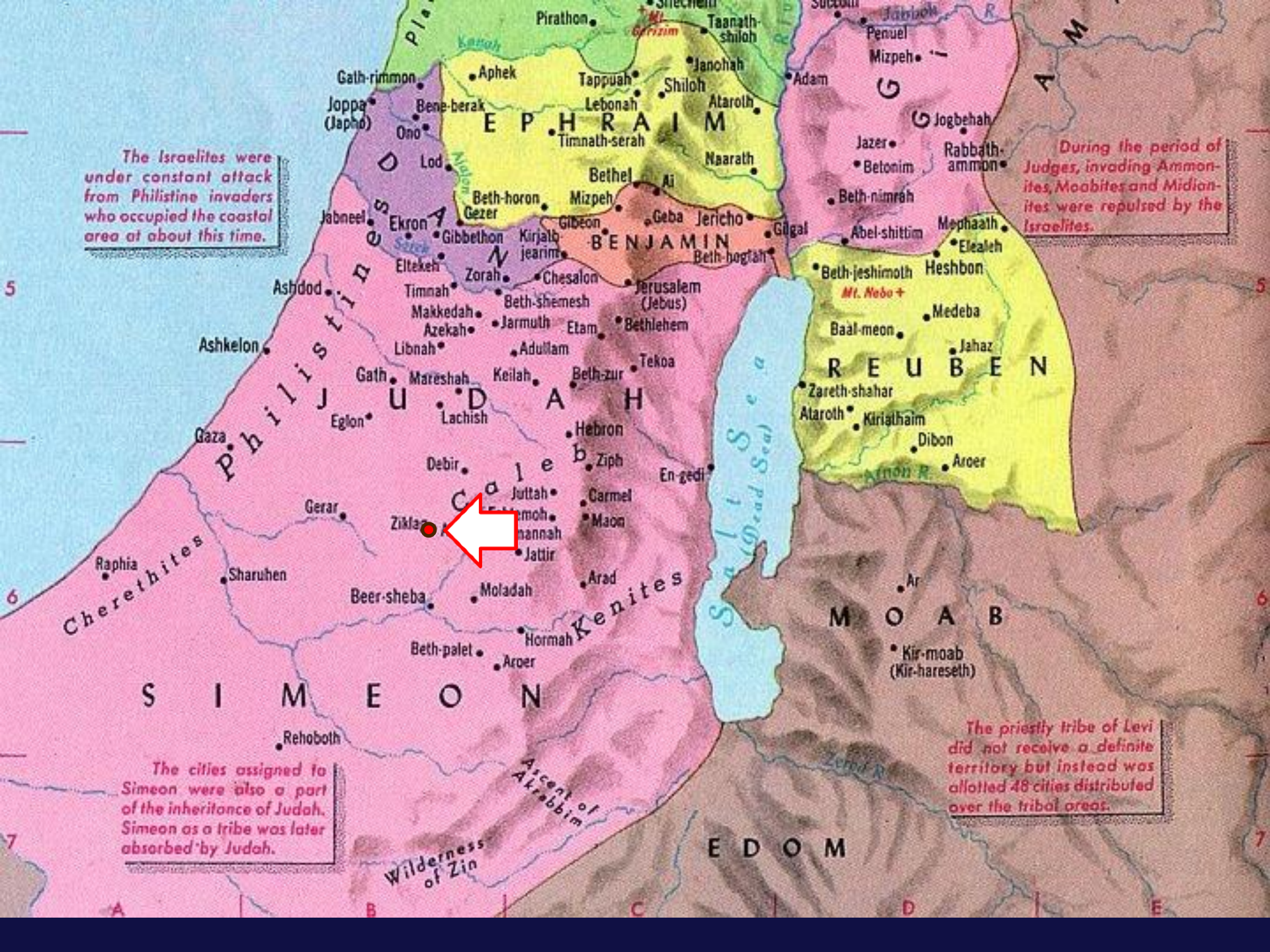
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# The Book of 1st Samuel

## Chapter 28

### The Witch of Endor



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## Chapter 29-30

### David's Last Great Test

# David's Last Great Test

- David goes with king Achish to fight with the Philistines against Israel
- The Philistine leaders reject David and send him home
- When David arrives, everything is gone
- All had been taken by the Amalakites

6 And David was greatly distressed; for the people spake of stoning him, because the soul of all the people was grieved, every man for his sons and for his daughters: but David encouraged himself in the LORD his God.

1 Samuel 30:6



# David's Last Great Test

- David find's his strength in the LORD
- David and his men set out after the Amalekites...
- ...and recovers all

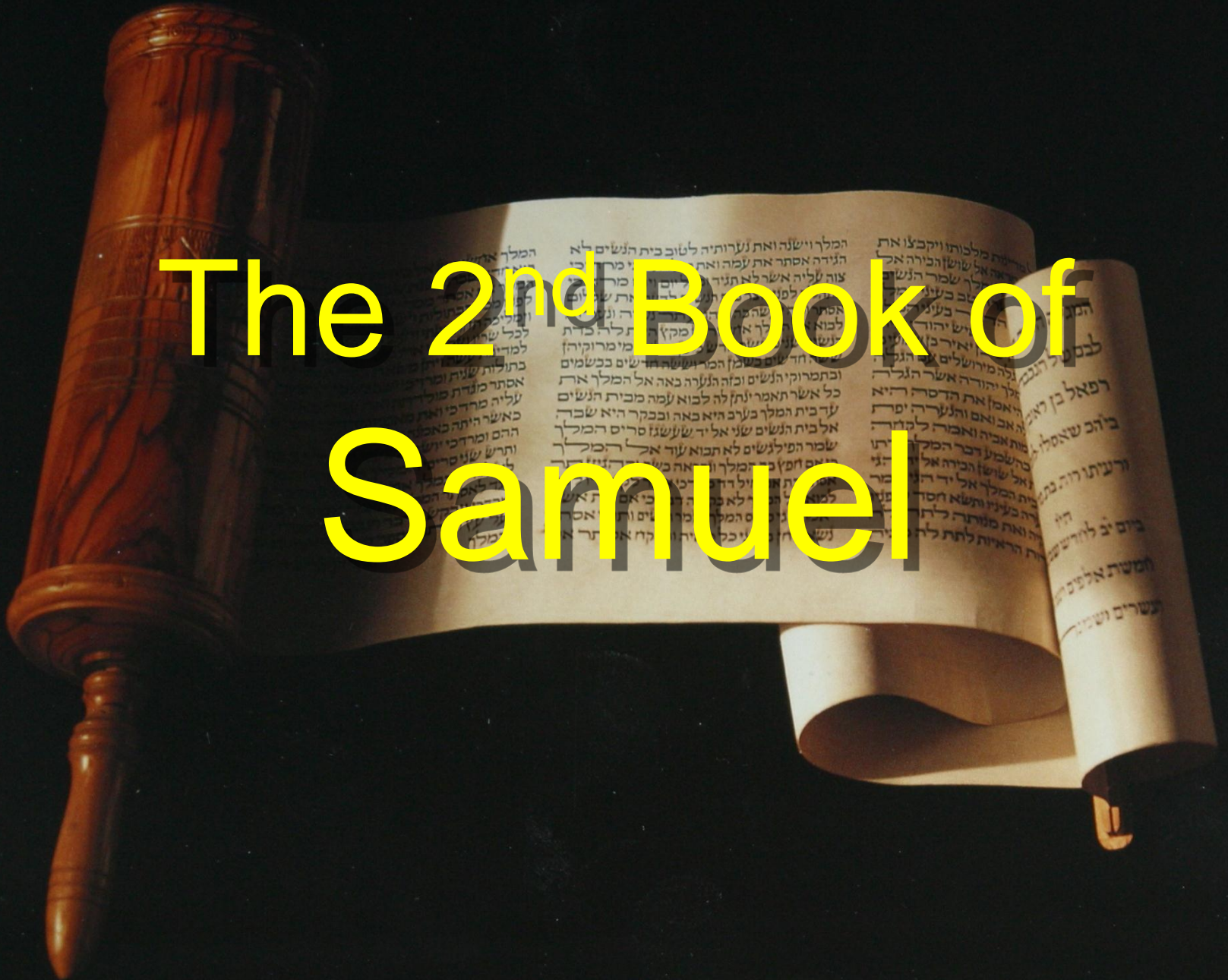


# The Book of 1st Samuel

## Chapter 31

### The Death of the King

# The 2nd Book of Samuel



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- David's Triumphs 1 – 12
  - King of Judah (at Hebron) 7 yrs
  - King of All Israel (at Jerusalem) 13 yrs
- David's Troubles 13 - 24
  - In his Family
  - In the Nation

# 2 Samuel

- Israel now enters a period of civil war for 7yrs 6mts
- Saul's son Ish-bosheth is placed on the throne by Abner (captain of Saul's host)

*3:1 Now there was long war between the house of Saul and the house of David: but David waxed stronger and stronger, and the house of Saul waxed weaker and weaker*

# 2 Samuel

- Abner is accused of a relationship with Saul's concubine by Ish-bosheth
- This was the final straw, and Abner then seeks an alliance with David

*9 So do God to Abner, and more also, except, as the LORD hath sworn to David, even so I do to him; 10 To translate the kingdom from the house of Saul, and to set up the throne of David over Israel and over Judah, from Dan even to Beer-sheba. 11 And he could not answer Abner a word again, because he feared him.*

# 2 Samuel

- David demands his wife be returned
- Abner complies

*17 And Abner had communication with the elders of Israel, saying, Ye sought for David in times past to be king over you: 18 Now then do it: for the LORD hath spoken of David, saying, By the hand of my servant David I will save my people Israel out of the hand of the Philistines, and out of the hand of all their enemies.*

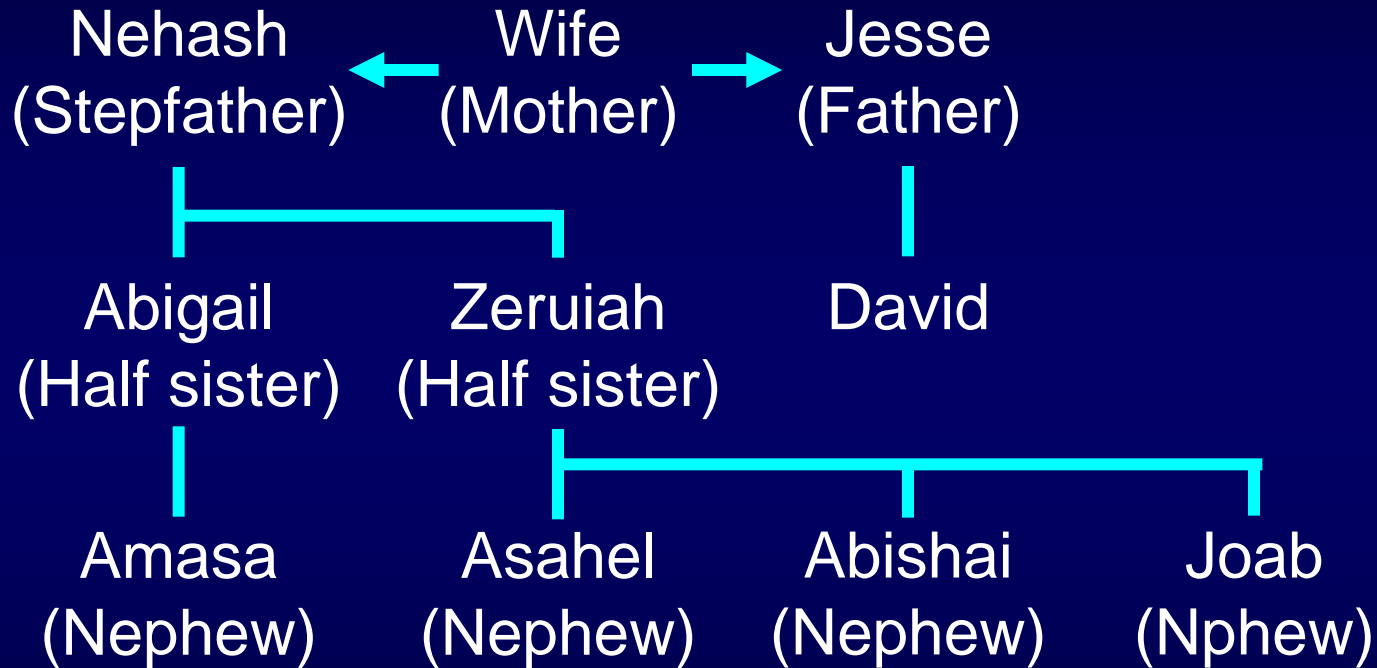
2 Sam 3:17-18

# 2 Samuel

- Finally David is made king over all Israel
- Joab kills Abner
  - to avenge the death of his own brother whom Abner had killed
- David publicly denounces this act of Joab
- This helps to unify the people under David



# David's Family



**1** Then came all the tribes of Israel to David unto Hebron, and spake, saying, Behold, we are thy bone and thy flesh.

**2** Also in time past, when Saul was king over us, thou wast he that leddest out and broughtest in Israel: and the LORD said to thee, Thou shalt feed my people Israel, and thou shalt be a captain over Israel.

3 So all the elders of Israel came to the king to Hebron; and king David made a league with them in Hebron before the LORD: and they anointed David king over Israel.

4 David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned forty years.

5 In Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months: and in Jerusalem he reigned thirty and three years over all Israel and Judah.



# The Book of 2 Samuel

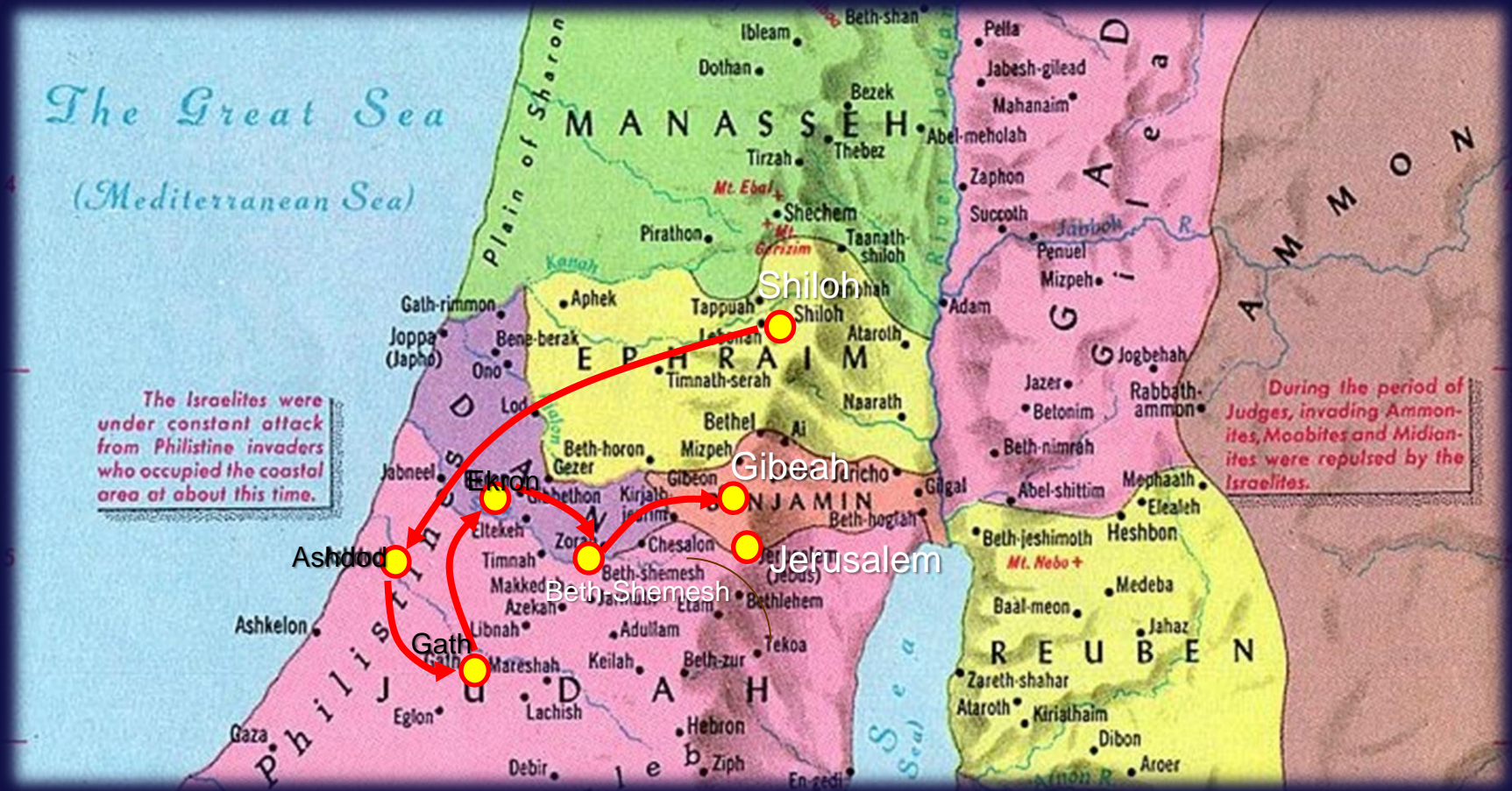
## Chapter 6

When is a box not a box?

## 2 Samuel 6

- David decides to bring the Ark back to The City of David (Jerusalem)
- The Ark had been the centrepiece of national worship, it represented the presence of God in their midst
- It was another act of unification to bring the nation together
- David takes 30,000 chosen men to the house of Abinadab in Gibeah

# The Journey of the Lost Ark



# 2 Samuel 6

- Abinadab had two sons, Uzzah and Ahio
- The Ark was placed on a cart and they set off with music and rejoicing.
- Ahio was leading and Uzzah following...

5 And David and all the house of Israel played before the LORD on all manner of instruments made of fir wood, even on harps, and on psalteries, and on timbrels, and on cornets, and on cymbals.

6 And when they came to Nachon's threshingfloor, Uzzah put forth his hand to the ark of God, and took hold of it; for the oxen shook it.

7 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Uzzah; and God smote him there for his error; and there he died by the ark of God.



8 And David was displeased, because the LORD had made a breach upon Uzzah: and he called the name of the place Perez-uzzah to this day.

9 And David was afraid of the LORD that day, and said, How shall the ark of the LORD come to me?

10 So David would not remove the ark of the LORD unto him into the city of David: but David carried it aside into the house of Obed-edom the Gittite.

# 2 Samuel 6

- Why would God do this?
  - Isn't this unfair?
- Israel had forgotten the most important lesson to learn about God...
- He is Holy
- Because of what the Ark represented, God had given very specific instructions on how to move it
  - Levites only!
  - Carried using poles

# The I AM

<sup>6</sup> But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe **that he is**, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

Hebrews 11:6

- God is so far 'above' us
- He is Sovereign - **accountable only to Himself**



# The Book of 2 Samuel

## Chapter 7

### The Davidic Covenant

# 2 Samuel 7

- Finally the Ark is brought to Jerusalem...

*1 And it came to pass, when the king sat in his house, and the LORD had given him rest round about from all his enemies;*

*2 That the king said unto Nathan the prophet, See now, I dwell in an house of cedar, but the ark of God dwelleth within curtains.*

*3 And Nathan said to the king, Go, do all that is in thine heart; for the LORD is with thee.*

8 Now therefore so shalt thou say unto my servant David, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, I took thee from the sheepcote, from following the sheep, to be ruler over my people, over Israel:

9 And I was with thee whithersoever thou wentest, and have cut off all thine enemies out of thy sight, and have made thee a great name, like unto the name of the great men that are in the earth.

2 Samuel 7:8-29

**IO** Moreover I will appoint a place for my people Israel, and will plant them, that they may dwell in a place of their own, and move no more; neither shall the children of wickedness afflict them any more, as beforetime,

**II** And as since the time that I commanded judges to be over my people Israel, and have caused thee to rest from all thine enemies. Also the LORD telleth thee that he will make thee an house.

**12** And when thy days be fulfilled, and thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, I will set up thy seed after thee, which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom.

**13** He shall build an house for my name, and I will stablish the throne of his kingdom for ever.

**14** I will be his father, and he shall be my son. If he commit iniquity, I will chasten him with the rod of men, and with the stripes of the children of men:



*15 But my mercy shall not depart away from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away before thee.*

*16 And thine house and thy kingdom shall be established for ever before thee: thy throne shall be established for ever.*

*17 According to all these words, and according to all this vision, so did Nathan speak unto David.*

# The Davidic Covenant

## 2 Samuel 7

- *Affects all that follows*
  - in the Scriptures
  - in the history of mankind
- Divine Confirmation of throne in Israel
- Perpetuity of the Davidic Dynasty
- Davidic Covenant is Unconditional

# The Davidic Covenant

2 Samuel 7

- Messianic Implications

“Son of David, Son of Abraham” Matt 1:1

“Lion of the Tribe of Judah, Root of David”  
Rev 5:5

# The Scarlet Thread Continues

- The “Seed of the Woman” Genesis 3:15
  - The Race
- Abraham Genesis 22:18
  - The Nation
- Jacob Genesis 49:10
  - The Tribe
- David 2 Samuel 7:11-16
  - The Family

# Davidic Covenant

- The promise that David and his seed would be kings fulfilled the even more ancient Abrahamic Covenant blessing that the patriarchs would be the fathers of kings  
Gen 17:6, 16; 35:11
- To Judah, great-grandson of Abraham, was given the explicit pledge that a promised ruler would come from him Gen. 49:10
- Samuel anointed David himself from Judah, of whom the Lord said, "He is the one"  
1 Sam. 16:12

# Davidic Covenant

- The house to be built for David would be a royal house, a dynasty of kings. It would originate with him but would never end

2 Sam 7:16

- The kingdom and its throne would be permanent, a realm over which the Son of David would reign forever

2 Sam 23:5

# Davidic Covenant

- David was aware of his election by God and of the theological significance of that election as part of the messianic line that would result in a divine Descendant and King

Ps. 2:6-7; 110; cf. Ethan's words, Ps. 89:3-4

- The prophets also attested to the Davidic Messiah, the One who would rule over all and forever on His throne

Isa. 9:1-7; 11:1-5; Jer. 30:4-11 ;

Ezek. 34:23-24; 37:24-25; Amos 9:11-15

# Davidic Covenant

- The promise that the people of the Lord, David's kingdom Israel, would have an enduring land of their own was also based on earlier commitments of the Lord:
  - The seed of Abraham, God said, would be given Canaan as a home forever  
**Gen. 13:15; 15:18; 17:8; Deut. 34:4**
  - This very commitment is being challenged by the world today



# The Kingdom of David's Greater Son

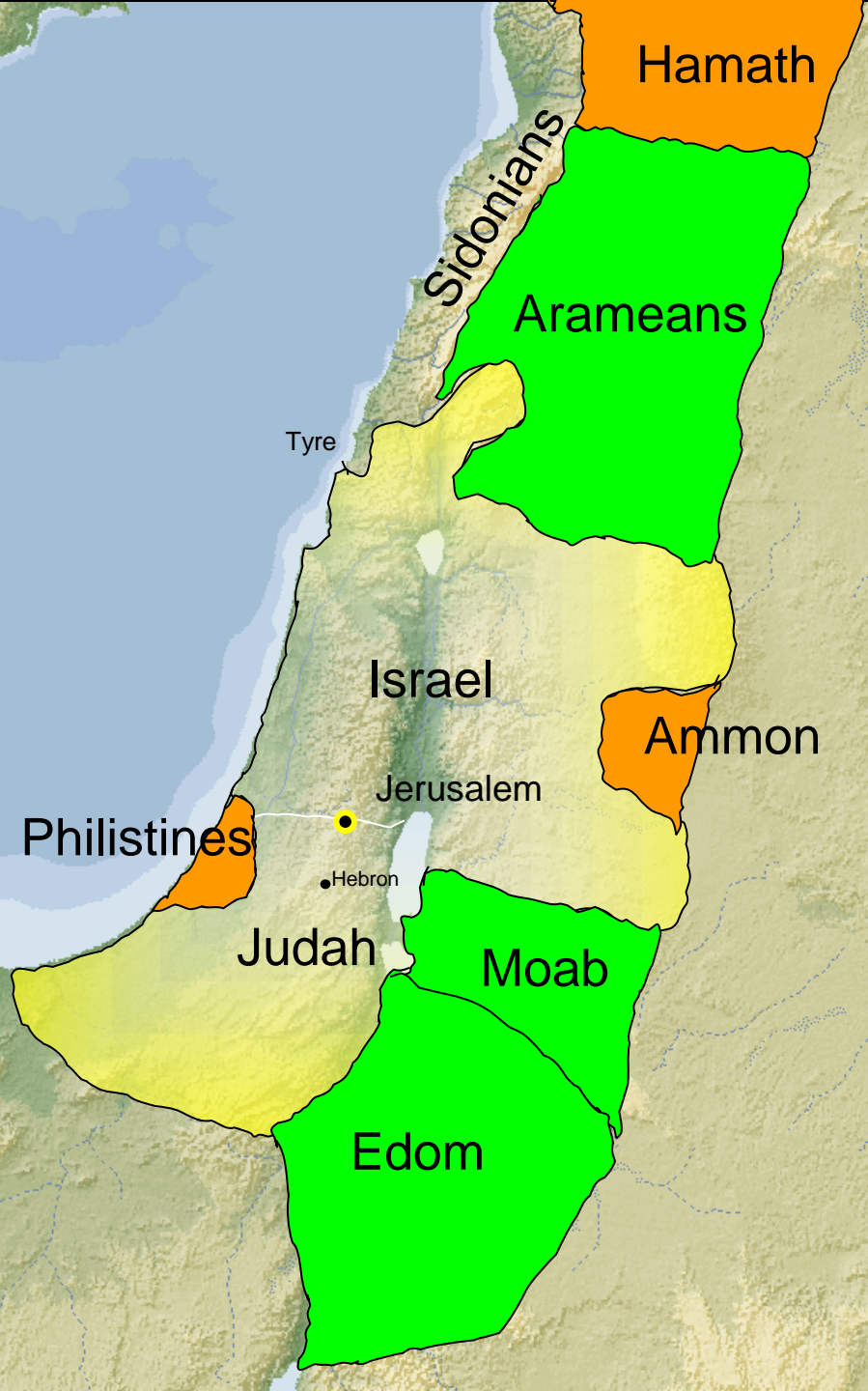
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- Dan. 7:13–14
- Hosea 3:4–5
- Amos 9:11
- Zech. 14:3–9
- Luke 1:32

And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb,  
and bring forth a son, and shalt call his  
name JESUS.

He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of  
the Highest: and the Lord God shall give  
unto Him the throne of his father David:  
And he shall reign over the house of Jacob  
for ever;  
and of his kingdom there shall be no end.

Luke 1:31-33

# David's Kingdom



Kingdom Proper



Vassal States



Acknowledged Israelite  
Sovereignty



# The Book of 2 Samuel

## Chapter 9

### Covenant Blessings

# 2 Samuel 9

- David begins preparations for the Temple
- Meanwhile...
- David (now the beneficiary of a covenant) seeks to confirm the covenant he had made with Jonathan
- Mephibosheth is invited to eat at the king's table
  - Wonderful picture of Grace
  - Nothing done to earn this blessing
  - Purely based on David's faithfulness



# The Book of 2 Samuel

Chapters 11-12

Sin for a season

# David & Bathsheba

- David's army go out to battle...
- David stays at home
- During his evening walk 'notices' Bathsheba
- "Desire conceived gives birth to sin..."
- Bathsheba becomes pregnant
- Her husband (Uriah) is brought back from the battle – but refuses to go home!
- David has Uriah killed
- Problem solved! (No one needs know!)

**1** And the LORD sent Nathan unto David. And he came unto him, and said unto him, There were two men in one city; the one rich, and the other poor.

**2** The rich man had exceeding many flocks and herds:

**3** But the poor man had nothing, save one little ewe lamb, which he had bought and nourished up: and it grew up together with him, and with his children; it did eat of his own meat, and drank of his own cup, and lay in his bosom, and was unto him as a daughter.



4 And there came a traveller unto the rich man, and he spared to take of his own flock and of his own herd, to dress for the wayfaring man that was come unto him; but took the poor man's lamb, and dressed it for the man that was come to him.

5 And David's anger was greatly kindled against the man; and he said to Nathan, As the LORD liveth, the man that hath done this thing shall surely die:

*6 And he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity.*

*7 And Nathan said to David, Thou art the man.*

2 Samuel 12:1-7

- David does pay fourfold!

*1 If a man shall steal an ox, or a sheep, and kill it, or sell it; he shall restore five oxen for an ox, and four sheep for a sheep.*

Exodus 22:1

# Reaping what you sow

- David 'stole a sheep'
- According to Ex 22:1 he must pay fourfold
- Uriah died (was murdered)
  - 1) The child of this union dies 2 Sam 12:23
  - 2) Amnon dies 2 Sam 13:29
  - 3) Absalom dies 2 Sam 18:15
  - 4) Adonijah dies 1 Kings 12:24
- Psalm 51
  - “Against you only have I sinned...”

**11** Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will raise up evil against thee out of thine own house, and I will take thy wives before thine eyes, and give them unto thy neighbour, and he shall lie with thy wives in the sight of this sun.

**12** For thou didst it secretly: but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun.

2 Samuel 12:11-12



# The Book of 2 Samuel

Chapters 13-20

The Revolt of Absalom

# David's Family

## Wives

Michal (Saul's daughter)

Ahinoam

Abigail (Nabal's widow)

Macaah (daughter  
of king of Geshur)

Haggith

Abital

Eglah

Bathsheba

## Sons

Ammon

Kileab

Absalom

Tamer

Adonijah

Sephetiah

Ithream

Solomon

Nathan

Ibhar

Elishua

Elphelet

Nogah

Nepheg

Japhia

Elishama

Eliada

Eliphelt

+ others by  
concubines

# The Revolt of Absalom

- Amnon (David's son) raped Tamer (his half-sister)
- Absalom killed Amnon to avenge Tamer
- Absalom flees and is banished...
- ...But David mourns the loss of both his sons
- Joab concocts a plan to bring Absalom home
- Yet David still refuses to see him – 2yrs
- Finally Absalom is brought before David...
- ...But then Absalom actively seeks to undermine David

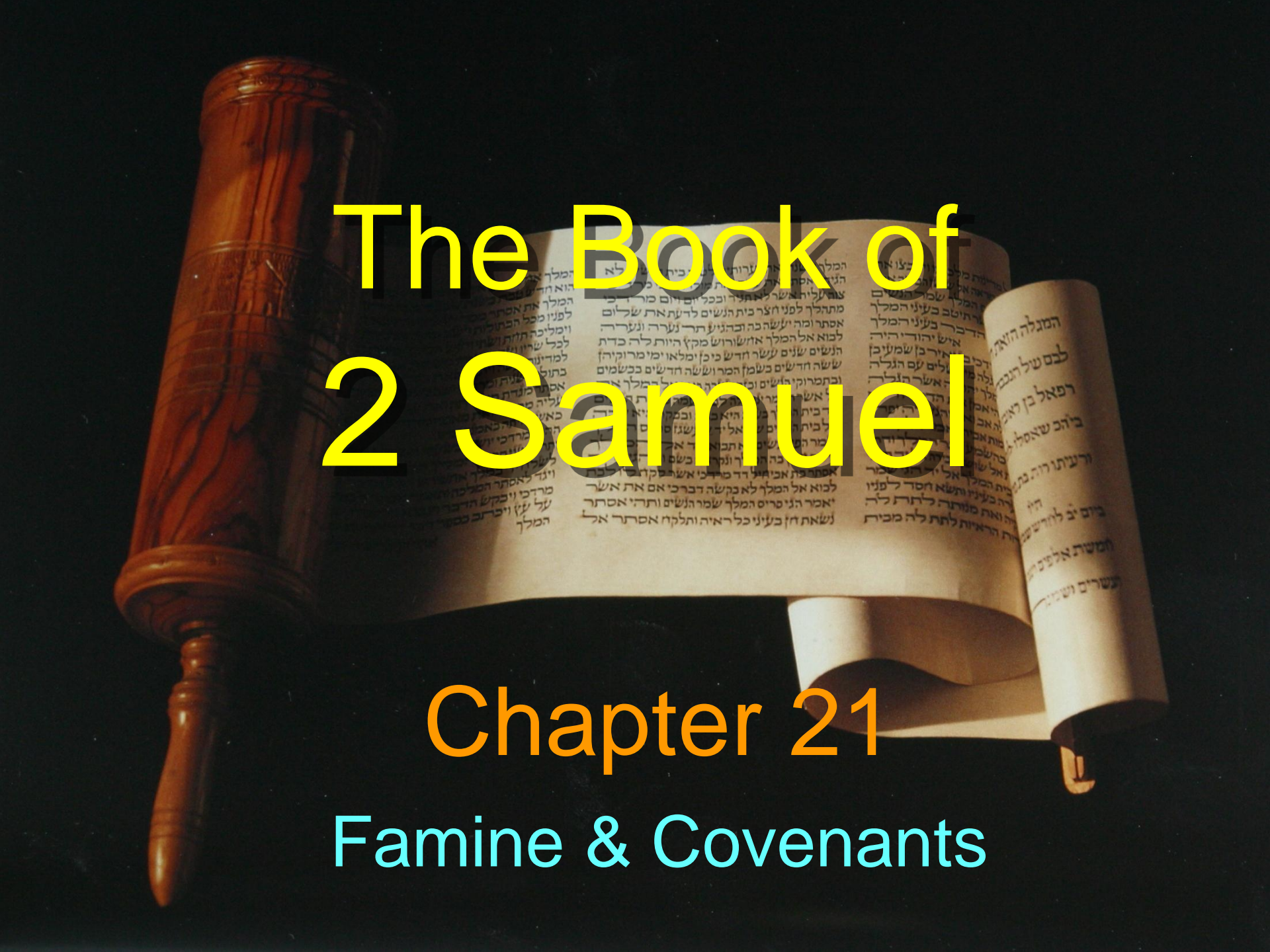
# The Revolt of Absalom

- David is eventually forced to flee Jerusalem
- Absalom takes the palace and David's concubines
- Ahithophel (David's trusted counsellor) betrays David and give counsel to Absalom
  - Why?
  - Ahithophel was Bathsheba's Granddad!
  - Psalm 41
  - *“Yea, mine own familiar friend, in whom I trusted, which did eat of my bread, hath lifted up his heel against me”.*



# The Revolt of Absalom

- Absalom goes out to battle against David, and Absalom is killed
- David returns to Jerusalem and Israel once again unite under him.



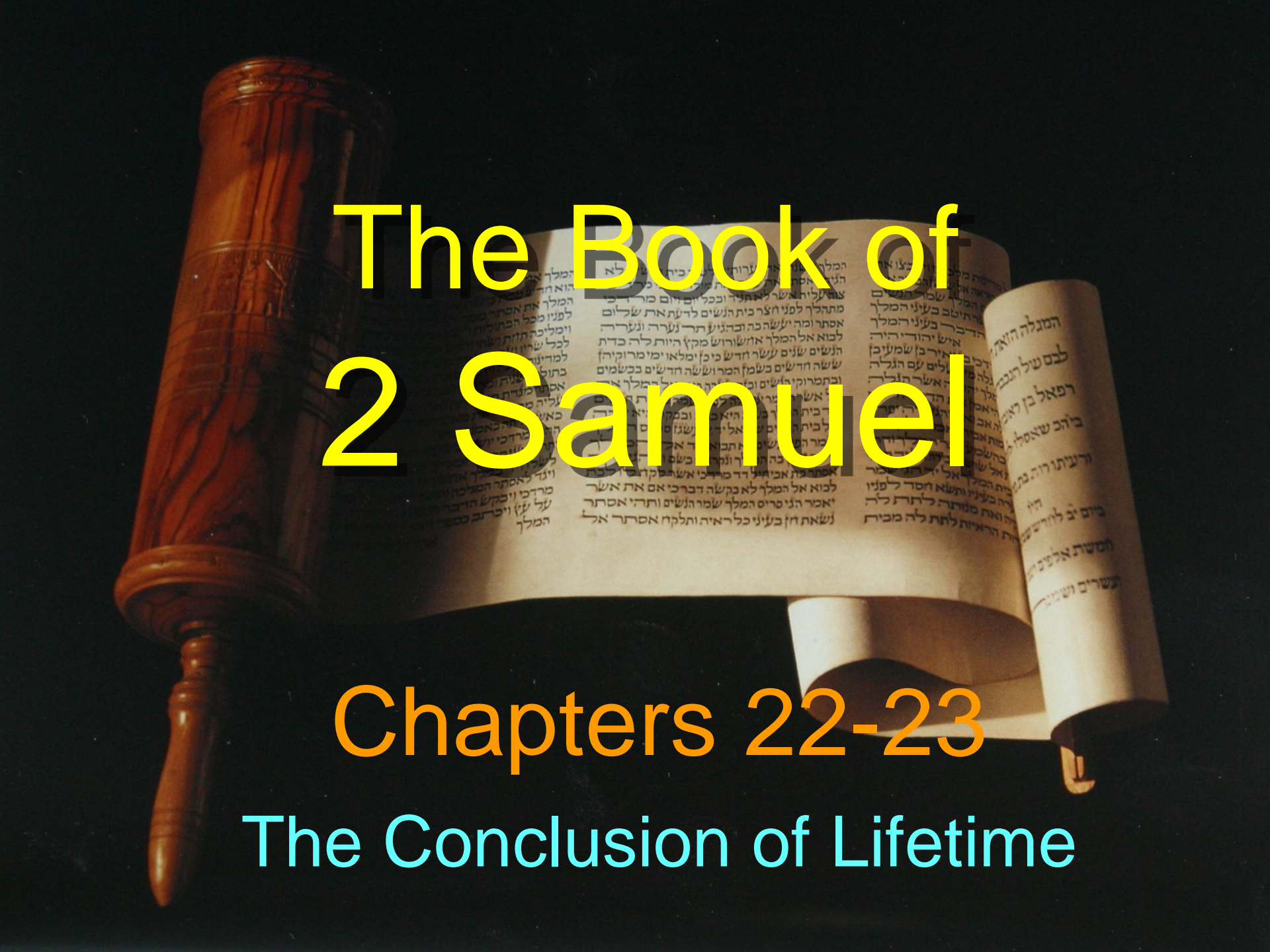
# The Book of 2 Samuel

## Chapter 21

### Famine & Covenants

# 2 Samuel 21

- There is a famine in the land 3 yrs and David seeks the Lord
  - God reveals it is because of the broken covenant with the Gibeonites
- In Joshua 9 Israel had made a covenant with the people of Gibeon
  - However, Saul in his zeal had tried to destroy them
- David then held 7 of Saul's family to account
- God delights in keeping His covenants!



# The Book of 2 Samuel

Chapters 22-23

The Conclusion of Lifetime

*1 And David spake unto the LORD the words of this song in the day that the LORD had delivered him out of the hand of all his enemies, and out of the hand of Saul:*

*2 And he said, The LORD is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer;*

*3 The God of my rock; in him will I trust: he is my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my high tower, and my refuge, my saviour; thou savest me from violence.*

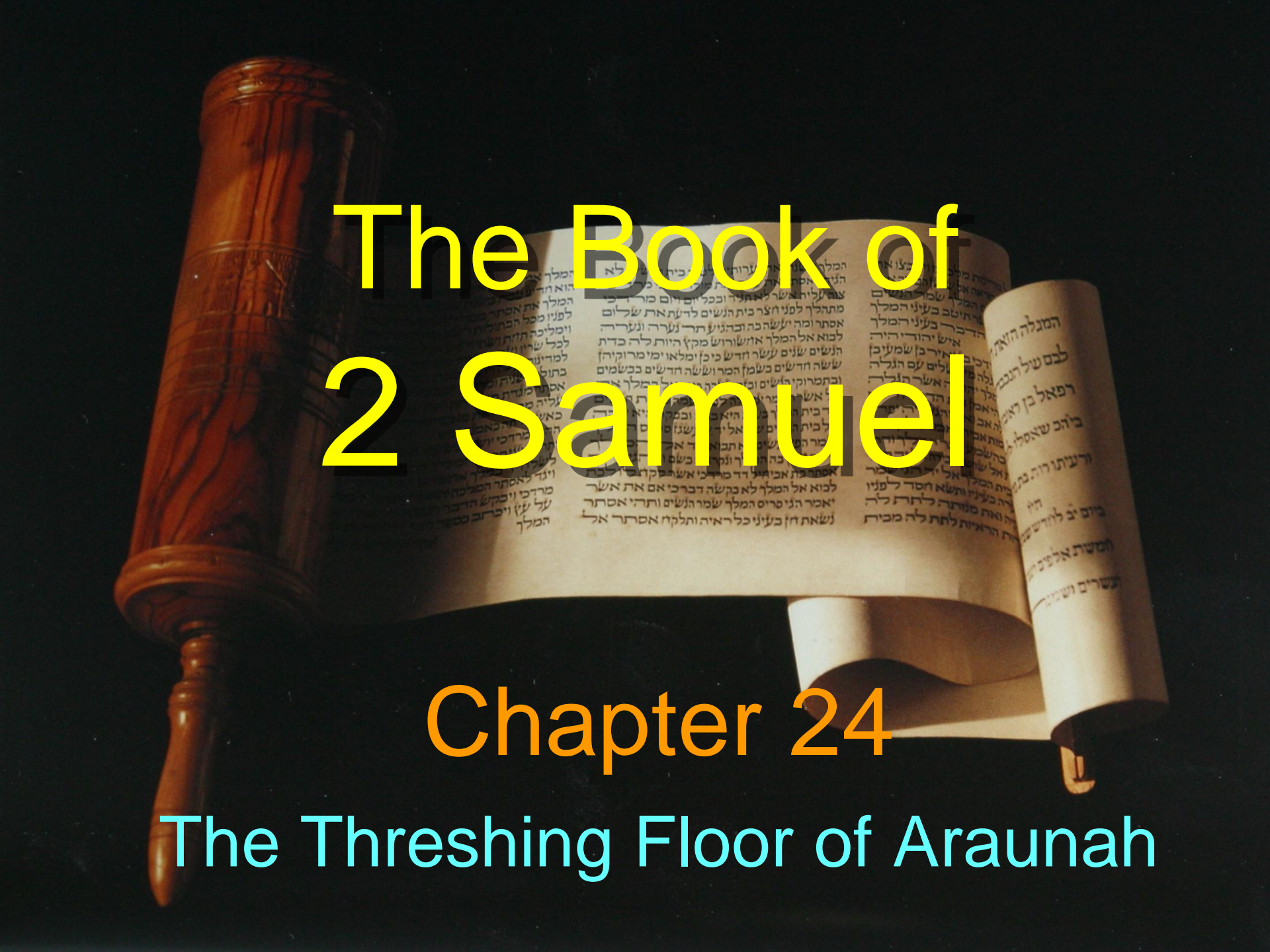
4 I will call on the LORD, who is worthy to be praised: so shall I be saved from mine enemies.

5 When the waves of death compassed me, the floods of ungodly men made me afraid;

6 The sorrows of hell compassed me about; the snares of death prevented me;

7 In my distress I called upon the LORD, and cried to my God: and he did hear my voice out of his temple, and my cry did enter into his ears.

2 Samuel 22:1-7



# The Book of 2 Samuel

## Chapter 24

### The Threshing Floor of Araunah

*1 And again the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel, and he moved David against them to say, Go, number Israel and Judah.*

*2 For the king said to Joab the captain of the host, which was with him, Go now through all the tribes of Israel, from Dan even to Beer-sheba, and number ye the people, that I may know the number of the people.*



3 And Joab said unto the king, Now the LORD thy God add unto the people, how many soever they be, an hundredfold, and that the eyes of my lord the king may see it: but why doth my lord the king delight in this thing?

4 Notwithstanding the king's word prevailed against Joab, and against the captains of the host. And Joab and the captains of the host went out from the presence of the king, to number the people of Israel.

**10** And David's heart smote him after that he had numbered the people. And David said unto the LORD, I have sinned greatly in that I have done: and now, I beseech thee, O LORD, take away the iniquity of thy servant; for I have done very foolishly.

**11** For when David was up in the morning, the word of the LORD came unto the prophet Gad, David's seer, saying,

**12** Go and say unto David, Thus saith the LORD, I offer thee three things; choose thee one of them, that I may do it unto thee.

**13** So Gad came to David, and told him, and said unto him, Shall seven years of famine come unto thee in thy land? or wilt thou flee three months before thine enemies, while they pursue thee? or that there be three days' pestilence in thy land? now advise, and see what answer I shall return to him that sent me.

**14** And David said unto Gad, I am in a great strait: let us fall now into the hand of the LORD; for his mercies are great: and let me not fall into the hand of man.

**15** So the LORD sent a pestilence upon Israel from the morning even to the time appointed: and there died of the people from Dan even to Beer-sheba seventy thousand men.

2 Samuel 24:10-16

**16** And when the angel stretched out his hand upon Jerusalem to destroy it, the LORD repented him of the evil, and said to the angel that destroyed the people, It is enough: stay now thine hand. And the angel of the LORD was by the threshingplace of Araunah the Jebusite.

2 Samuel 24:10-16

**21** And Araunah said, Wherefore is my lord the king come to his servant? And David said, To buy the threshingfloor of thee, to build an altar unto the LORD, that the plague may be stayed from the people.

**22** And Araunah said unto David, Let my lord the king take and offer up what seemeth good unto him: behold, here be oxen for burnt sacrifice, and threshing instruments and other instruments of the oxen for wood.

23 All these things did Araunah, as a king, give unto the king. And Araunah said unto the king, The LORD thy God accept thee.

24 And the king said unto Araunah, Nay; but I will surely buy it of thee at a price: neither will I offer burnt offerings unto the LORD my God of that which doth cost me nothing. So David bought the threshingfloor and the oxen for fifty shekels of silver.

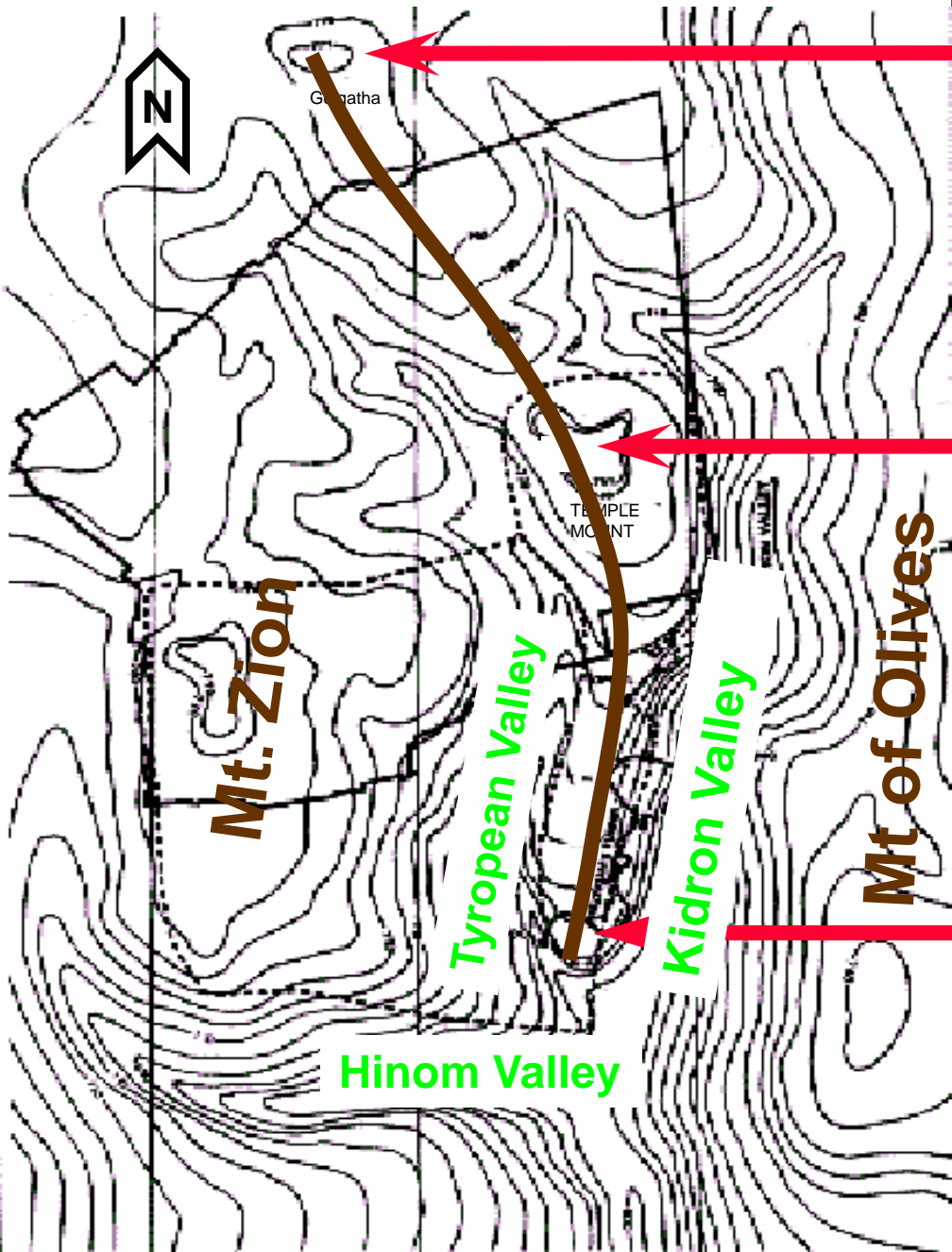
*25 And David built there an altar unto the LORD, and offered burnt offerings and peace offerings. So the LORD was intreated for the land, and the plague was stayed from Israel.*

**2 Samuel 24:21-25**

- This location becomes the place where the Temple will later be built by Solomon
- It is believed to be the place today where the Dome of the Rock stands
- It will be the place where the Messiah's temple will stand



# Topology of Mount Moriah



**Peak: Akedah**

**Threshing Floor  
of Arunah**

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