

1 & 2 Samuel Series

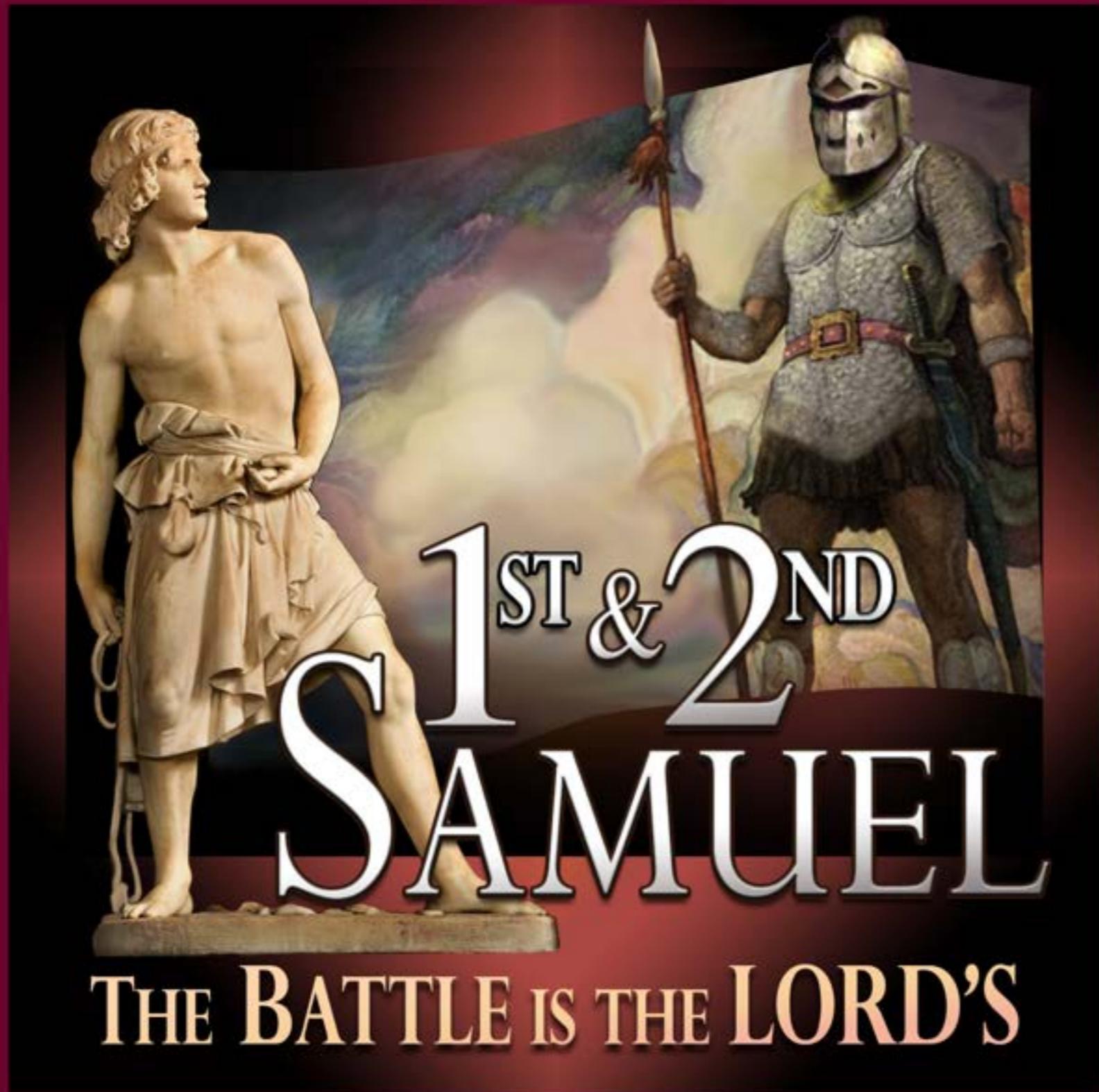
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BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU ASK FOR
1 SAMUEL 9:1–25

1 Samuel

Samuel
Prophet,
Priest,
Judge

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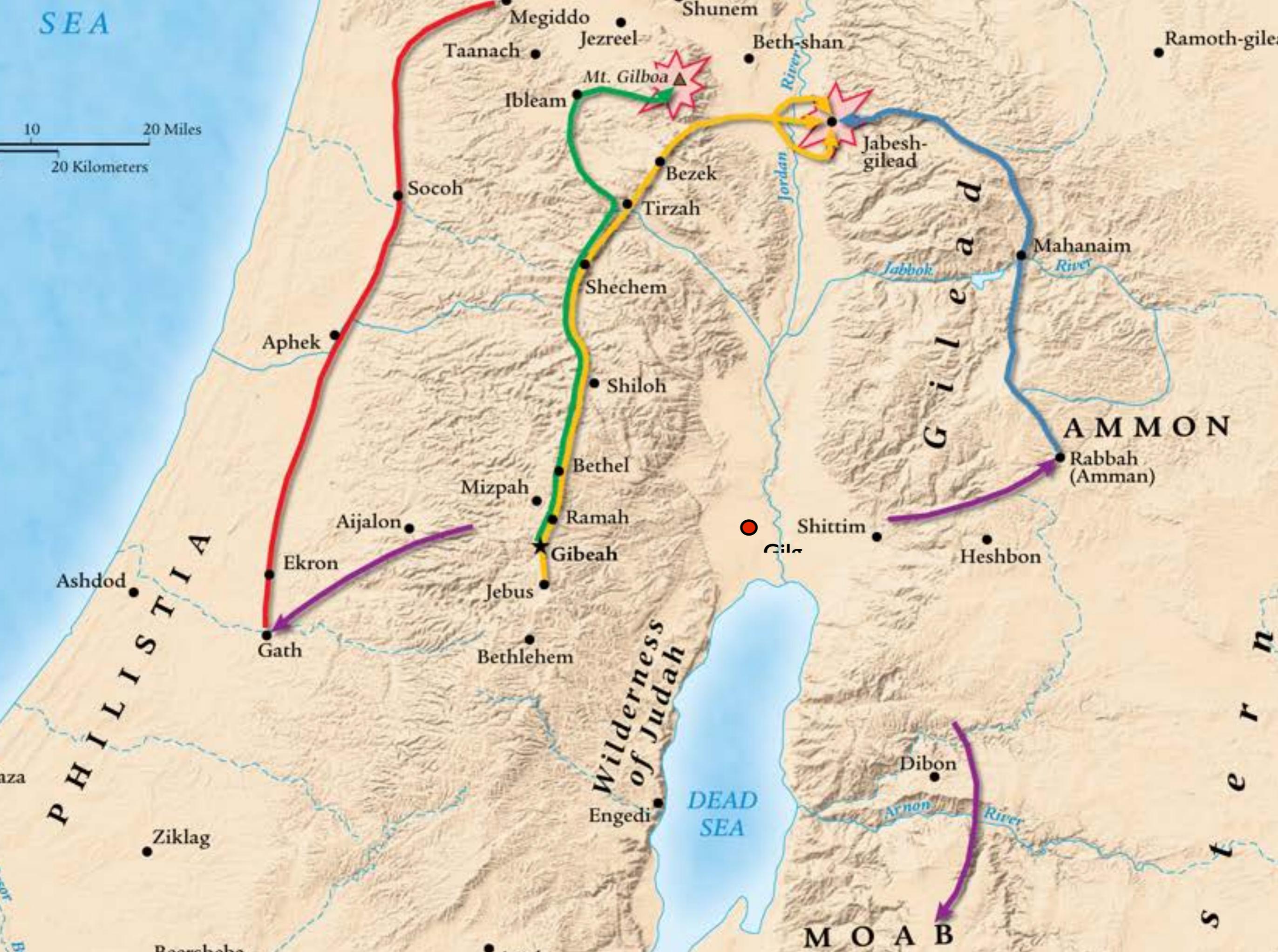
Saul

Rise

Decline

David's Rise

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20 Kilometers

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Beth-shan

Ramoth-gilead

Mt. Gilboa

Ibleam

Jabesh-gilead

Bezek

Socoh

Tirzah

Jabbok

Shechem

Mahanaim

Aphek

Shiloh

G i l e a d

A M M O N

Rabbah (Amman)

Bethel

Mizpah

Shittim

Aijalon

Ramah

Heshbon

Ekron

Gibeah

Ashdod

Jebus

P H I L I S T I A

Wilderness of Judah

DEAD SEA

M O A B

S t e r n

Ziklag

Engedi

Dibon

Arnon

River

Beer-sheba

Prov. 3:5, “Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding;

Prov. 3:6, “In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths.”

I. The Lord selects and anoints Saul to be King over Israel. 1 Sam. 9:1–10:16

**1B The Lord directs Samuel to select Saul to be King over Israel.
1 Sam. 9:1–27**

Samuel and Saul

Similarities

Both introduced with extensive genealogies.

Both came from the same region of the country and rose from obscurity to national prominence.

Both had names etymologically linked to the same verb, one meaning “requested.”

Both led Israel in battle against the Philistines.

Both built altars to the Lord.

Samuel and Saul

Differences

Samuel is spiritually focused, Saul is not.

Samuel is submitted to the Lord, Saul is not.

Samuel shows lasting humility, Saul does not.

Samuel is not necessarily appealing to the world, Saul is physically attractive.

1 Sam. 9:1, “There was a man of Benjamin whose name was Kish the son of Abiel, the son of Zeror, the son of Bechorath, the son of Aphiah, a Benjamite, a mighty man of power.

1 Sam. 9:2, “And he had a choice and handsome son whose name was Saul. There was not a more handsome person than he among the children of Israel. From his shoulders upward he was taller than any of the people.”

Aphiah

Bechorath

Zeror

Abiel

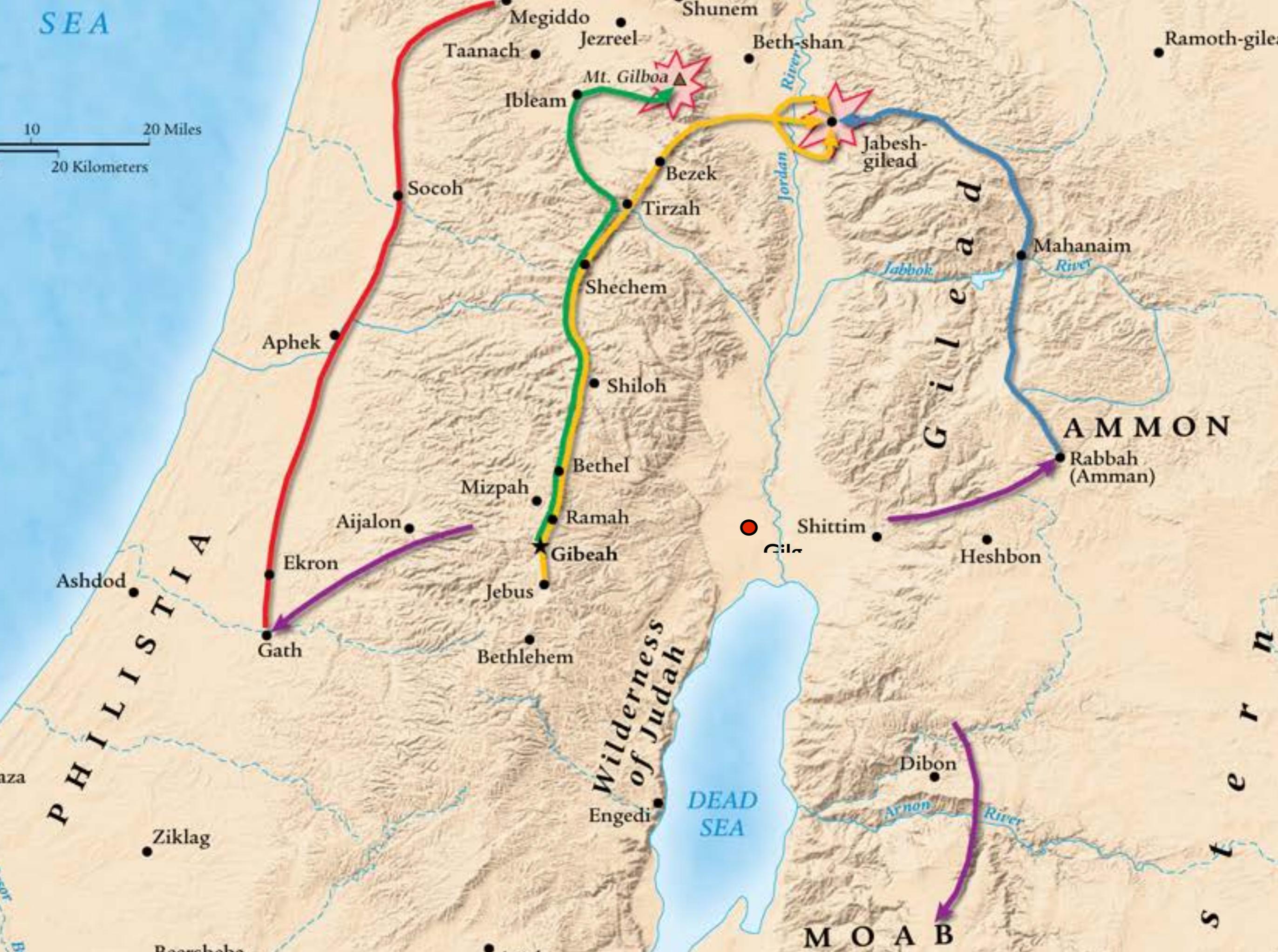
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1 Sam. 9:3, “Now the donkeys of Kish, Saul’s father, were lost. And Kish said to his son Saul, ‘Please take one of the servants with you, and arise, go and look for the donkeys.’”

1 Sam. 9:4, “So he passed through the mountains of Ephraim and through the land of Shalisha, but they did not find them. Then they passed through the land of Shaalim, and they were not there. Then he passed through the land of the Benjamites, but they did not find them.”



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תַּתְּוֹתָ (ʔātôn) “she-ass, she-donkey.” TWOT;
NIDOTTE

1 Sam. 9:9, “(Formerly in Israel, when a man went to inquire of God, he spoke thus: ‘Come, let us go to the seer’; for he who is now called a prophet was formerly called a seer.)”

1 Sam. 9:15, “Now the LORD had told Samuel in his ear the day before Saul came, saying,”

1 Sam. 9:16, “ ‘Tomorrow about this time I will send you a man from the land of Benjamin, and you shall anoint him commander over My people Israel, that he may save My people from the hand of the Philistines; for I have looked upon My people, because their cry has come to Me.’ ”

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1 Sam. 9:17, “So when Samuel saw Saul, the LORD said to him, ‘There he is, the man of whom I spoke to you. This one shall reign over My people.’ ”

עָצַר (*‘āṣar*) *restrain, close up, retain, shut, withhold, refrain, stay, detain.*

1 Sam. 9:18, “Then Saul drew near to Samuel in the gate, and said, ‘Please tell me, where is the seer’s house?’

1 Sam. 9:19, “Samuel answered Saul and said, ‘I am the seer. Go up before me to the high place, for you shall eat with me today; and tomorrow I will let you go and will tell you all that is in your heart.

1 Sam. 9:20, “ ‘But as for your donkeys that were lost three days ago, do not be anxious about them, for they have been found. And on whom is all the desire of Israel? Is it not on you and on all your father’s house?’ ”

Ex. 29:22, “Also you shall take the fat of the ram, the fat tail, the fat that covers the entrails, the fatty lobe attached to the liver, the two kidneys and the fat on them, the right thigh (for it is a ram of consecration),”

Ex. 29:27, “And from the ram of the consecration you shall consecrate the breast of the wave offering which is waved, and the thigh of the heave offering which is raised, of that which is for Aaron and of that which is for his sons.”

Lev. 7:32, “Also the right thigh you shall give to the priest as a heave offering from the sacrifices of your peace offerings.”