

A scenic landscape featuring a calm lake in the foreground, reflecting the surrounding greenery and the blue sky with scattered white clouds. The background is filled with a dense forest of tall, green trees. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and natural.

1st Samuel

Lesson 9

1 Samuel Chapters 25-27

David and Abigail

Two Themes For This Study

1. Follow God's Commands

2. Repent

Ecclesiastes 12:13-14

13 The conclusion, when all has been heard, is: fear God and keep His commandments, because this applies to every person.

9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

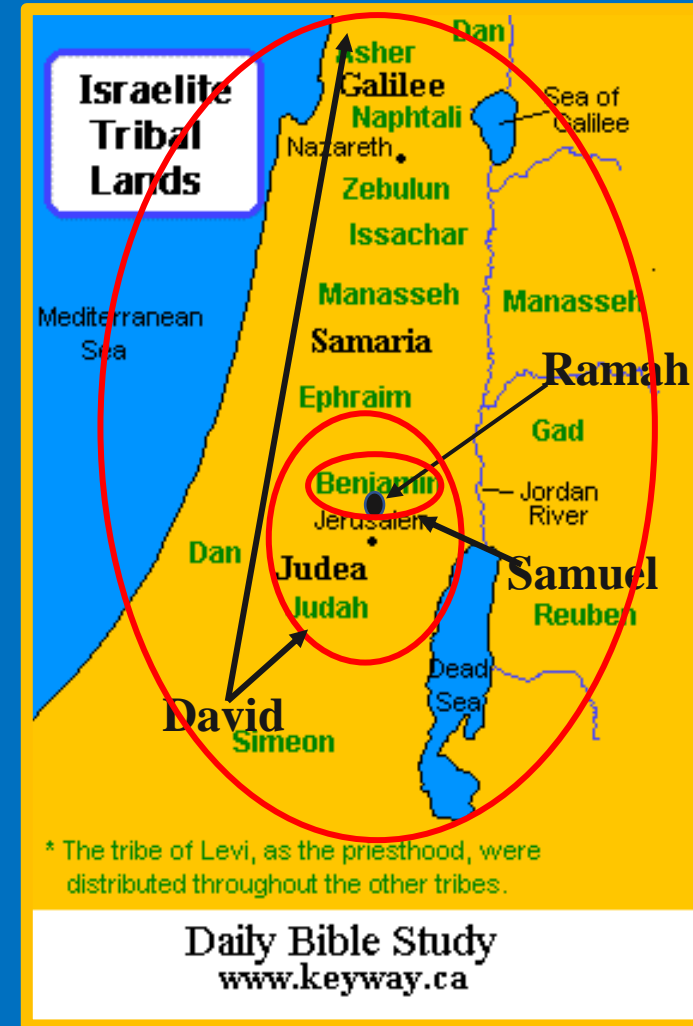


God's protection and
direction to those who seek
His counsel.

Chapter 25-David Marries Abigail

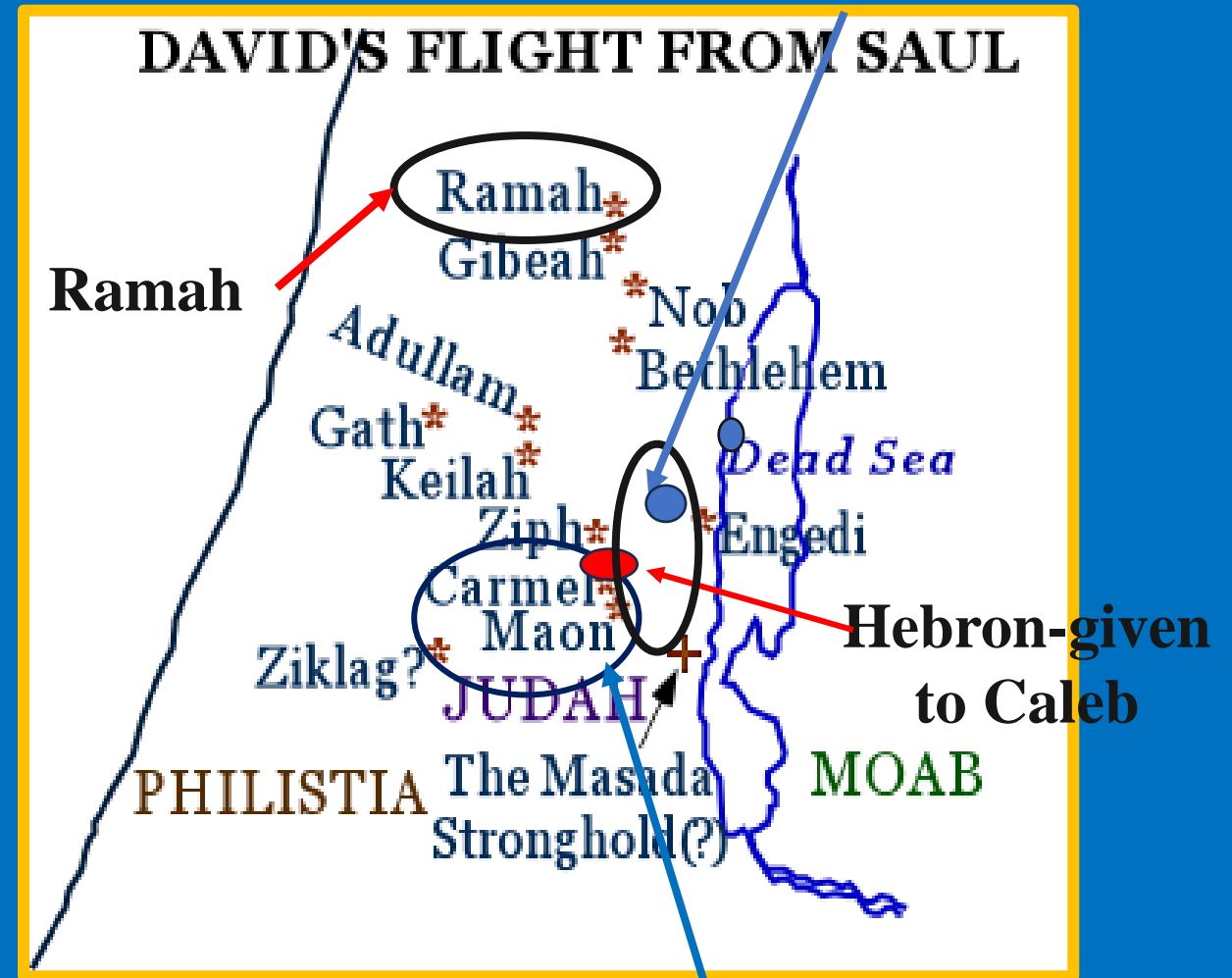
Vs. 1-44

- Samuel **died** and all Israel mourned him. Samuel was buried at his house in Ramah.
- After Samuel's death, Bible scholars feel Nathan and Gad could have written the remaining chapters of 1st Samuel and 2nd Samuel (1st Chronicles 29:29). []



- Nabal (Nabal means fool), a very rich man and a Calebite, lived in Moan. He had 3,000 sheep and 1,000 goats in Carmel. []
- Nabal descended from Caleb.
- Since Caleb accompanied Joshua to spy out the promised land, Moses gave him the land of Hebron (Joshua 14:13). []

Hills of Hachilah

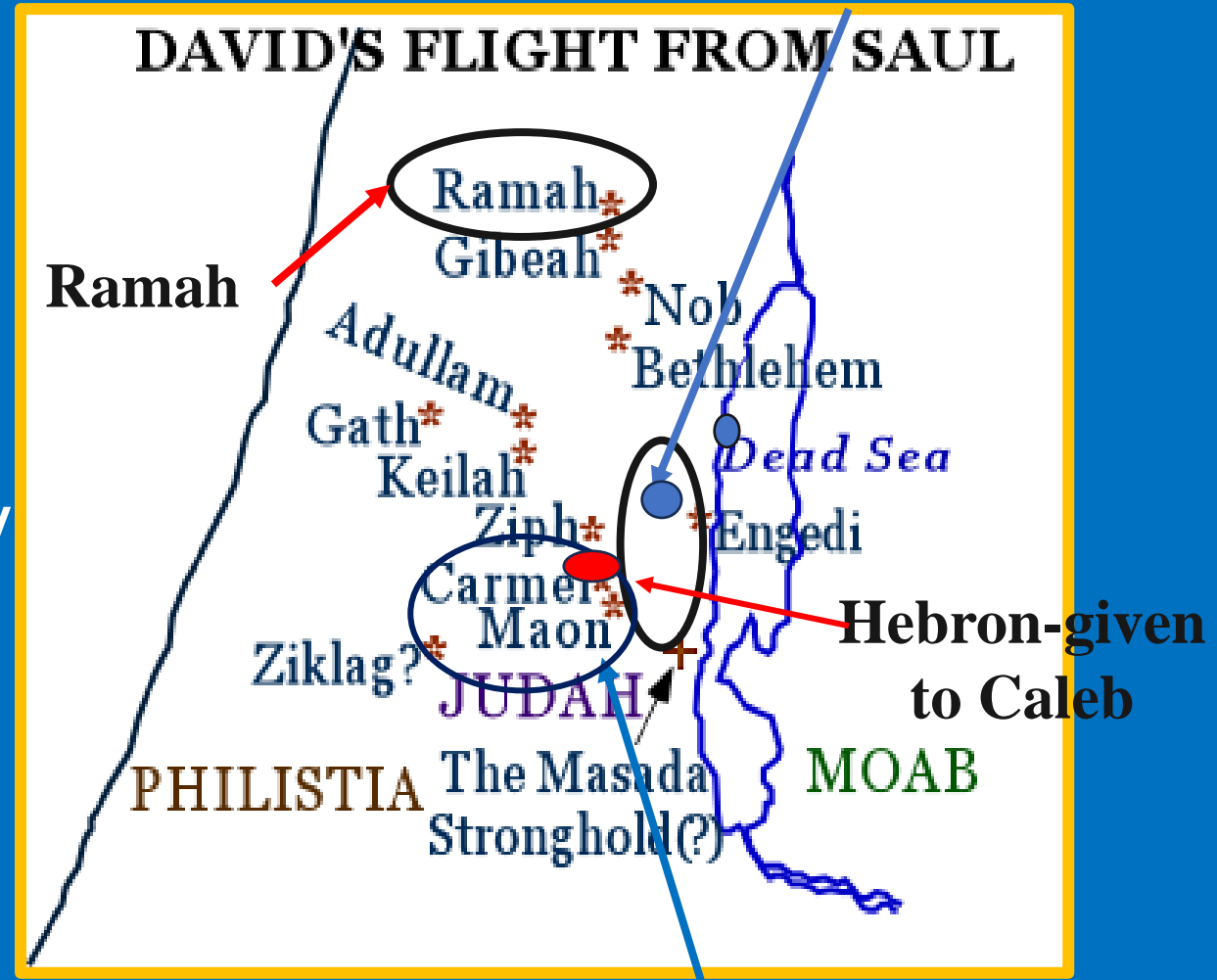


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Carmel and Moan

- Nabal's wickedness contrasted his wife Abigail's intelligence and beauty.
- David's men got along well with Nabal's men, and they protected Nabal's flocks.
- David sent messengers to Nabal and asked for provisions since David had shown kindness to Nabal.

Hills of Hachilah



Carmel and Moan

- Nabal rebuked (scorned, yelled, or screamed at) the men and refused to give David any provisions.
- When David heard of Nabal's response, as revenge, he took four hundred men to fight Nabal.



- One of Nabal's servants told **Abigail** what had happened and reiterated how good David's men treated them (notice how David did not ask for the Lord's guidance).



- Abigail quickly took two hundred loaves of bread, two jugs of wine, five prepared sheep, five measures (30 liters) of roasted grain, one hundred clusters of raisins and two hundred cakes of figs and brought them to David.



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- When she approached David, she bowed down and apologized for Nabal's actions.
- Abigail actions foreshadowed Christ's humility and intercession-
Philippians 2:8; Romans 8:33-34 []



- Verse 29 gives a great parallel concerning God's protection. []
- Abigail prophesied if anyone revolted against David, the lord would bind David in “the bundle of the living.”



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- People would often bundle their treasures to protect them. This showed how God bundles us in His arms, protects us from evil, and throws out the wicked. (1 Samuel 25:29; Revelation 11:7-15) []
- Abigail prophesied David would rule over Israel and his house would last forever. (1st Samuel 25:28; 2 Samuel 7:16). []



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- Notice how David's anger got in the way of seeking God's advice. The Lord used Abigail to stop David from committing a grave sin.
- When Abigail told Nabal what she had done, he became as stone and died 10 days later. Nabal might have died from a stroke. (1st Samuel 25:36-39). []



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- After Nabal died, David took Abigail as his wife. David had previously taken Ahinoam and Michal as wives, however, Saul had given Michal to Palti [Paul-tee].
- God never approved the practice of polygamy Genesis 2:24. []



- Practices in Old Testament history allowed polygamy in the case of a childless first marriage. However, polygamy often caused misery.

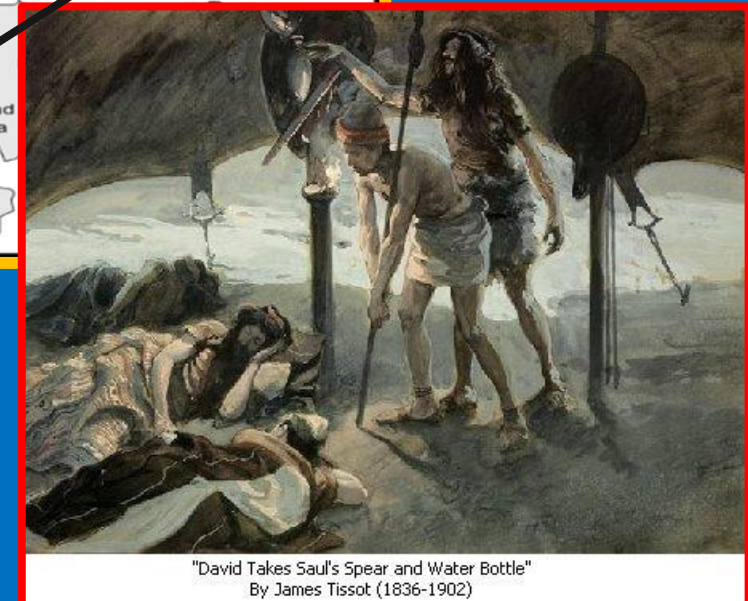
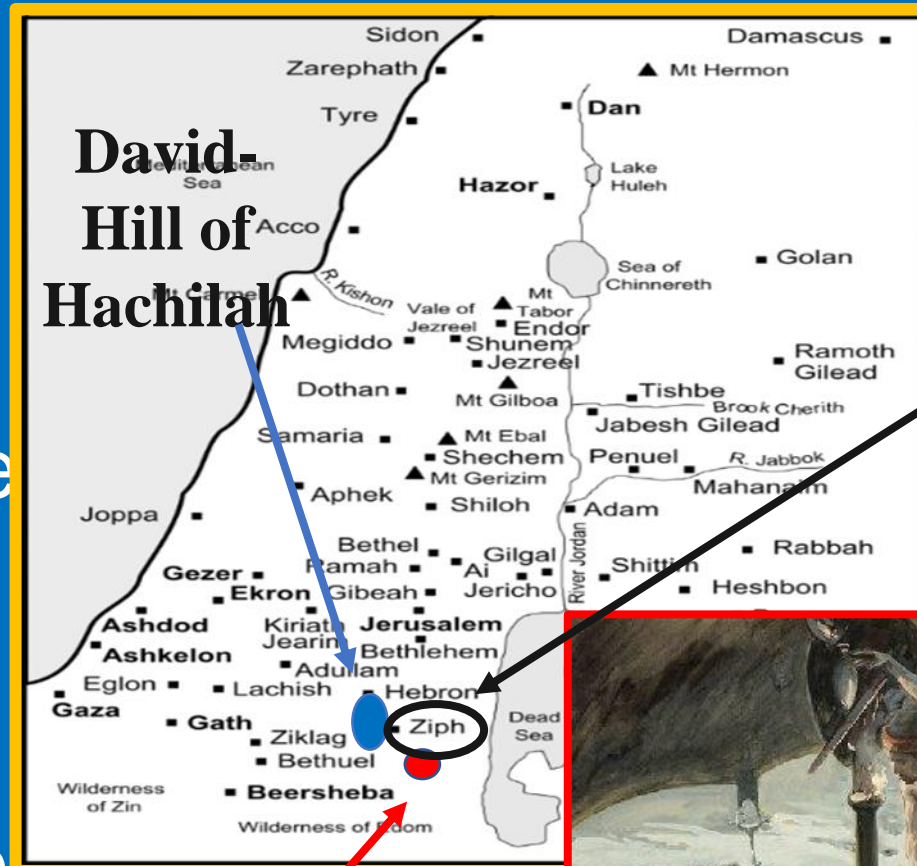


Chapter 26-David Spares Saul's Life Again

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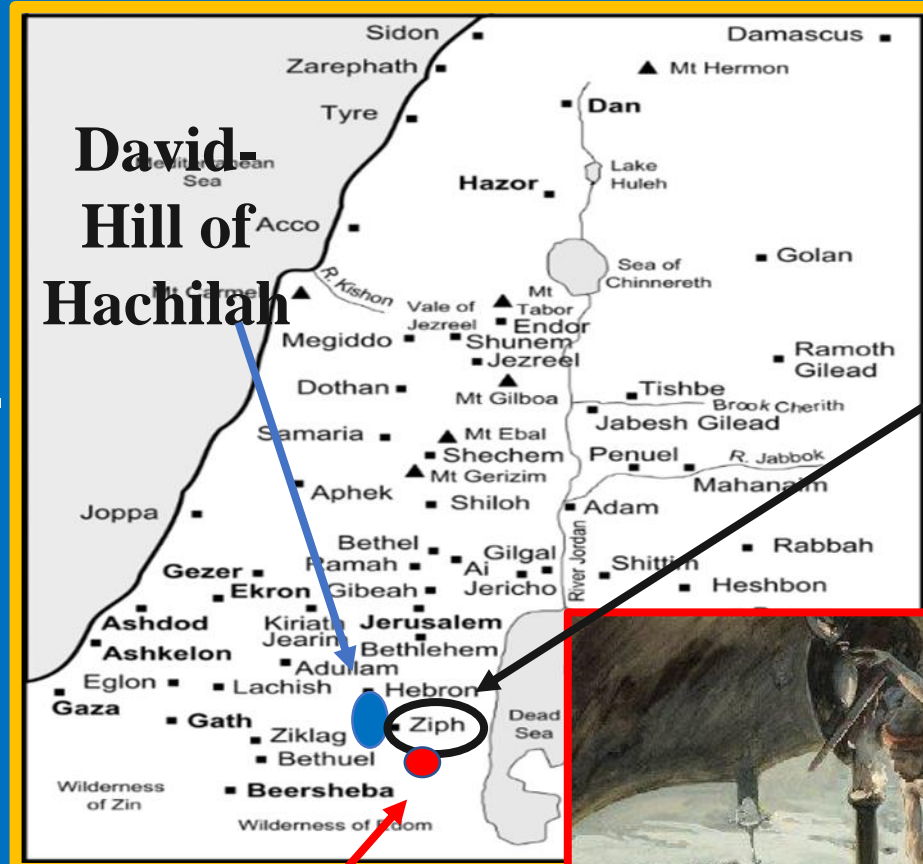
Vs. 1-25

- When Saul heard that David was on the hill of Hachilah [Hack-a-Li-a], he arose and took **3,000** chosen men.
- Saul camped in the hill country of Ziph beside the road while David stayed in the wilderness.

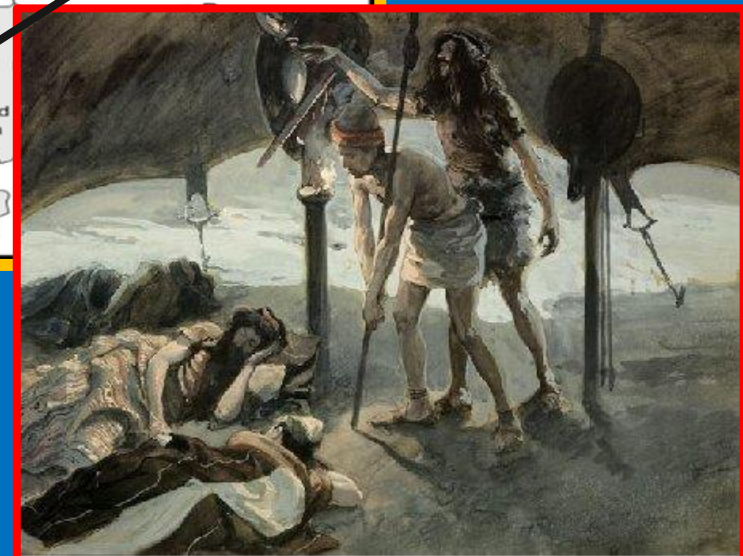


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- David spied on Saul's camp at night and saw him sleeping with his spear stuck in the ground. Saul's soldiers, while sleeping, had surrounded him.

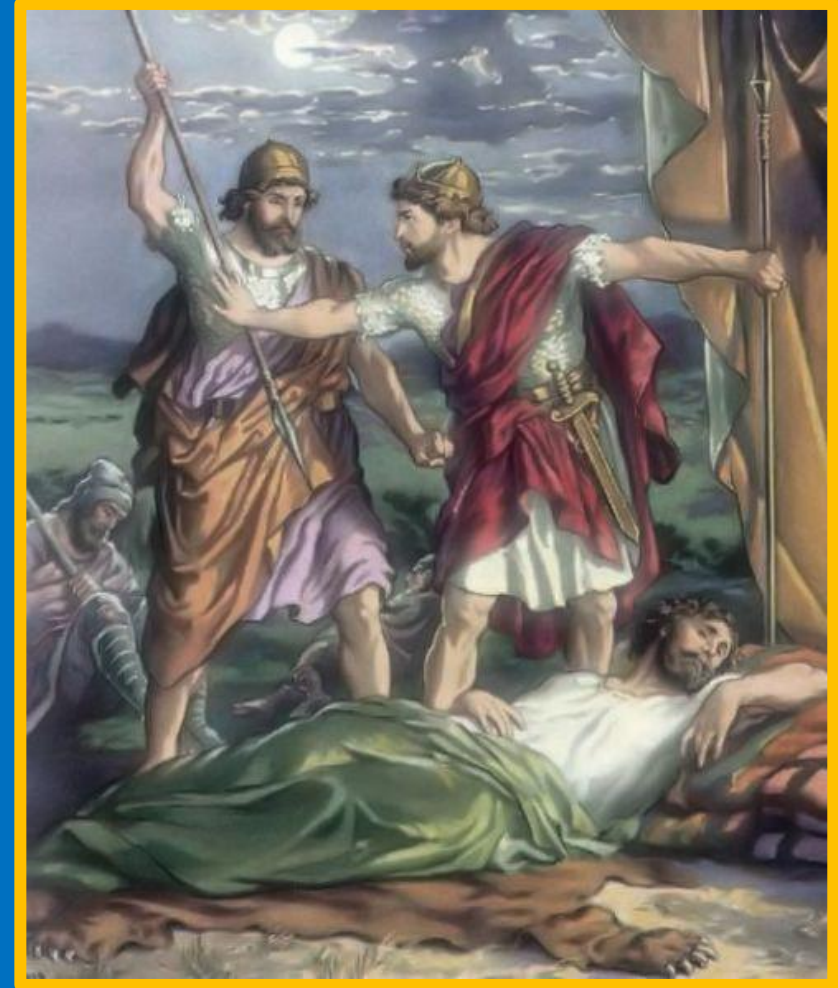


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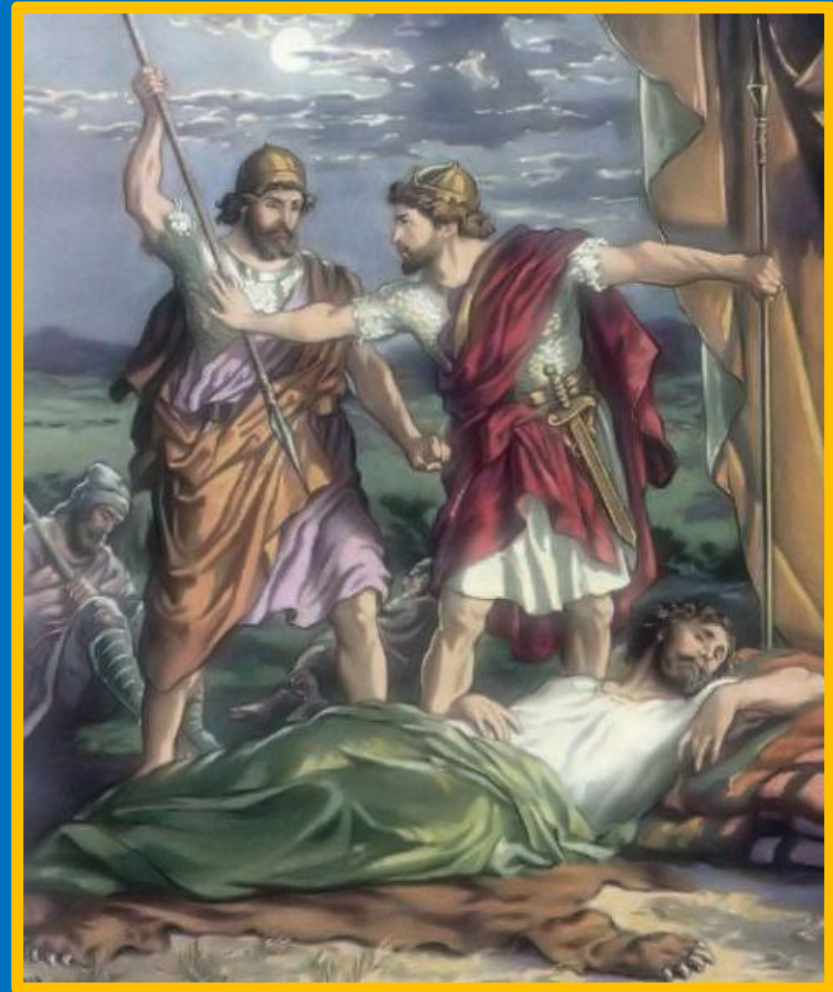


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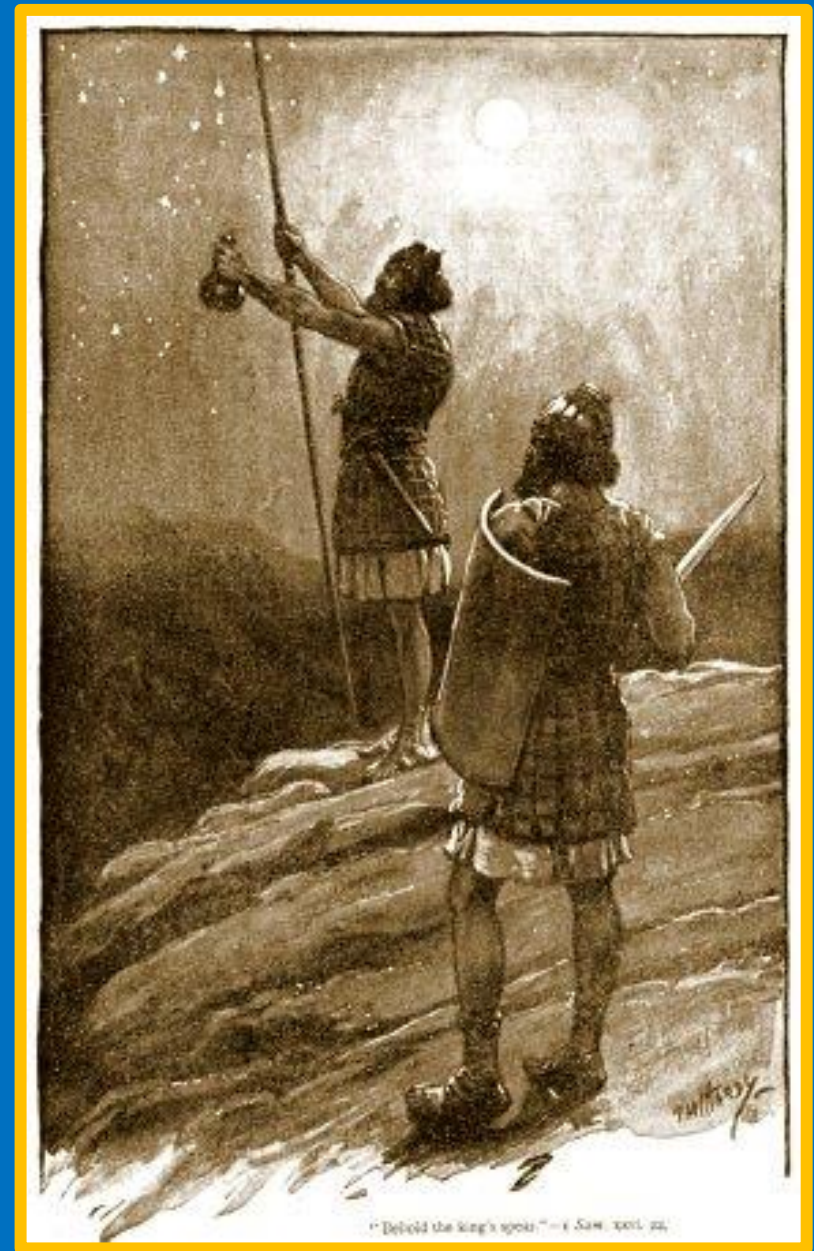
- David took **Abishai** (Aba'-shy) and went down to the camp.
- Abishai wanted to go into the camp and kill Saul.
- David restrained Abishai since he did not want to stretch out his hand against the Lord's anointed.



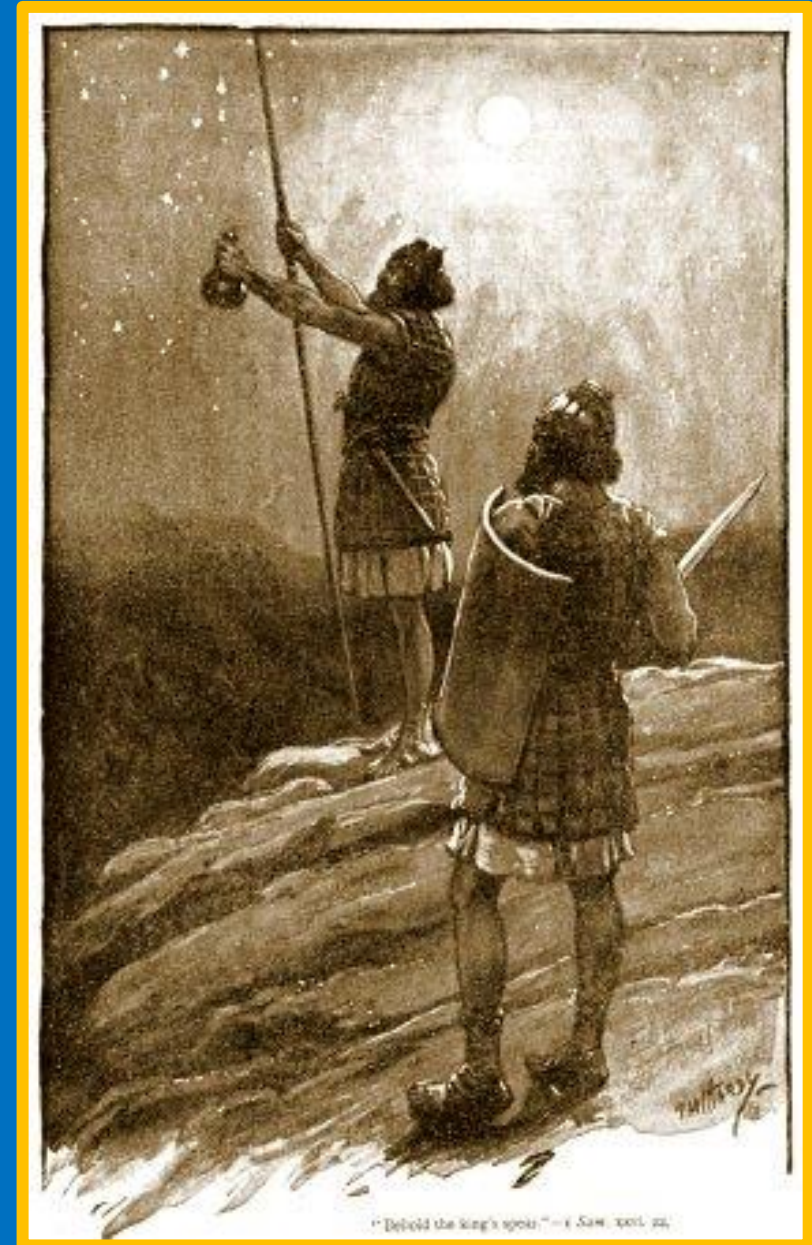
- David said the Lord would strike Saul in His time (Hebrews 10:30; Psalm 94:1-2) []
- The Lord caused a sound sleep to fall upon the soldiers allowing David to take Saul's spear and his jug of water.



- When David and Abishai crossed back over to their side he called out to **Abner** and asked why he had not protected Saul.
- When Saul heard David's voice, he called out to him.
- David showed Saul the jug of water and the spear.

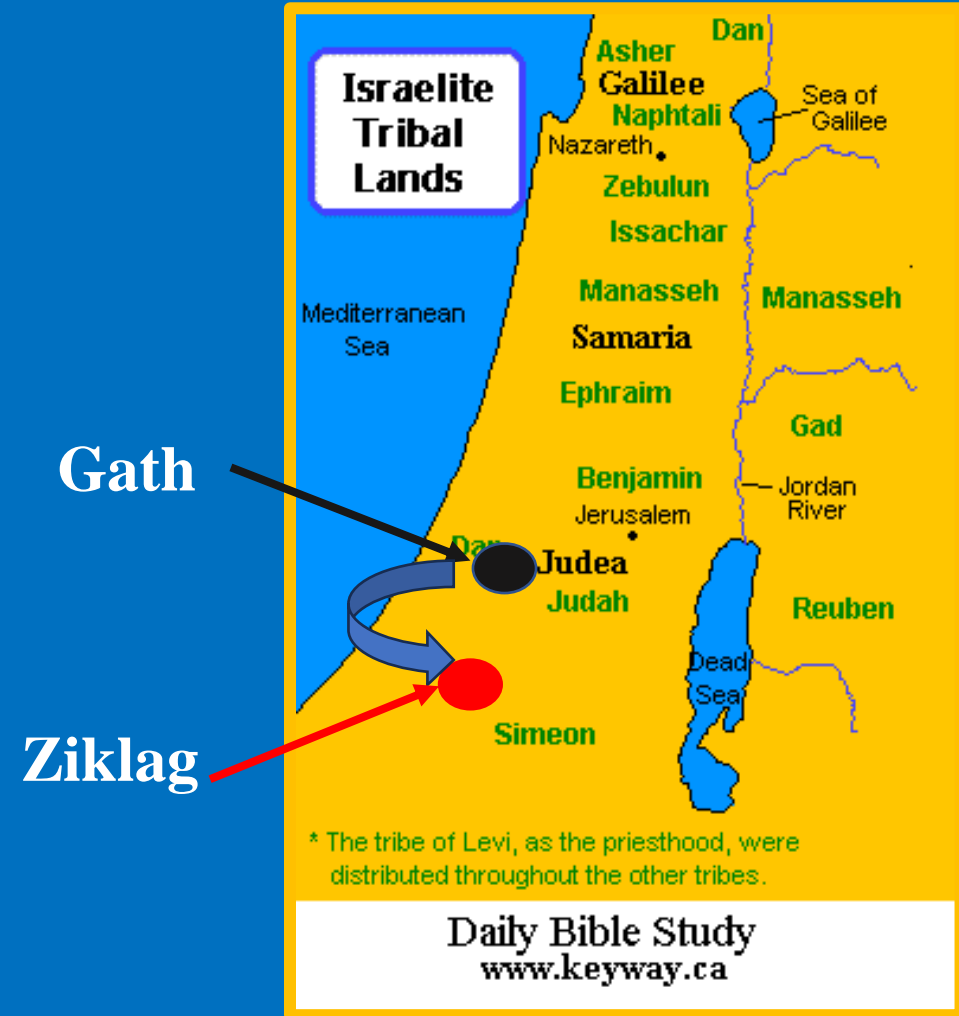


- David told Saul he could have taken his life but refused to harm him.
- David tried to prove his innocence and loyalty.
- Saul repented and recognized David as the future king.

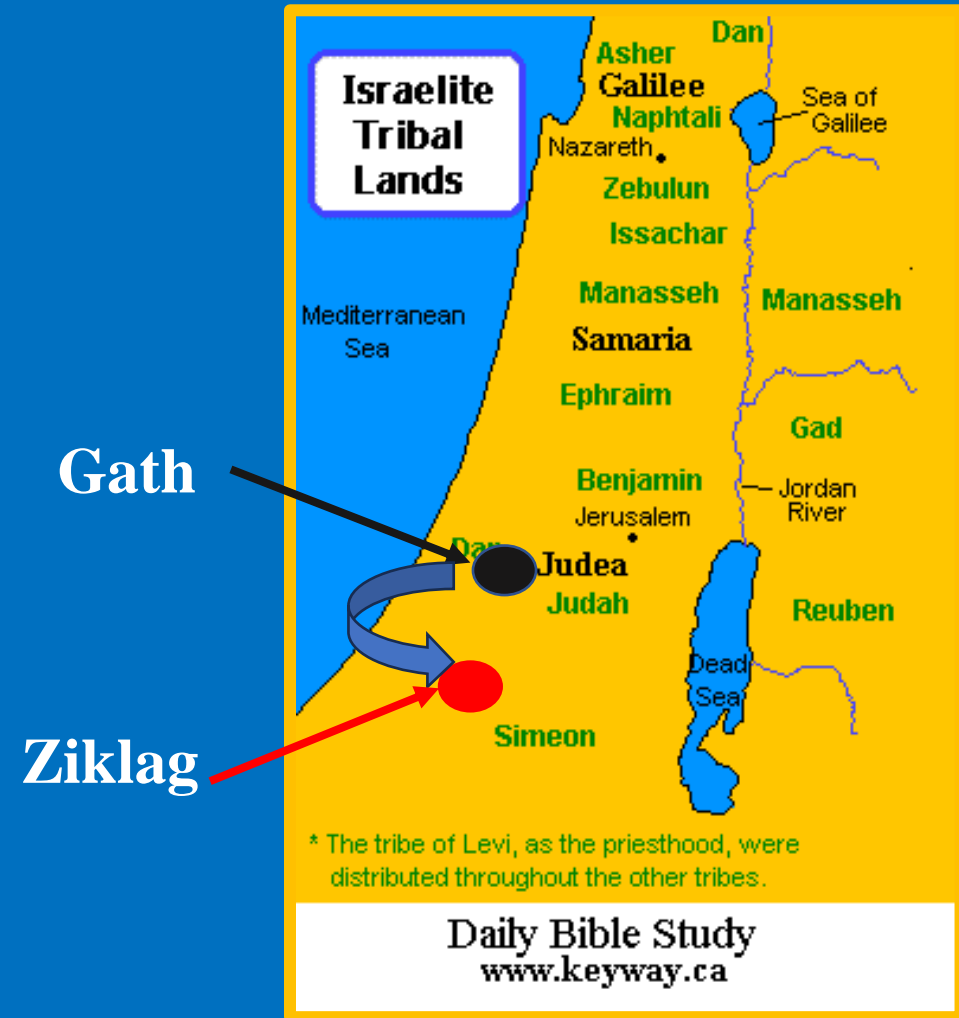


Chapter 27-David Becomes a Servant to the Philistines

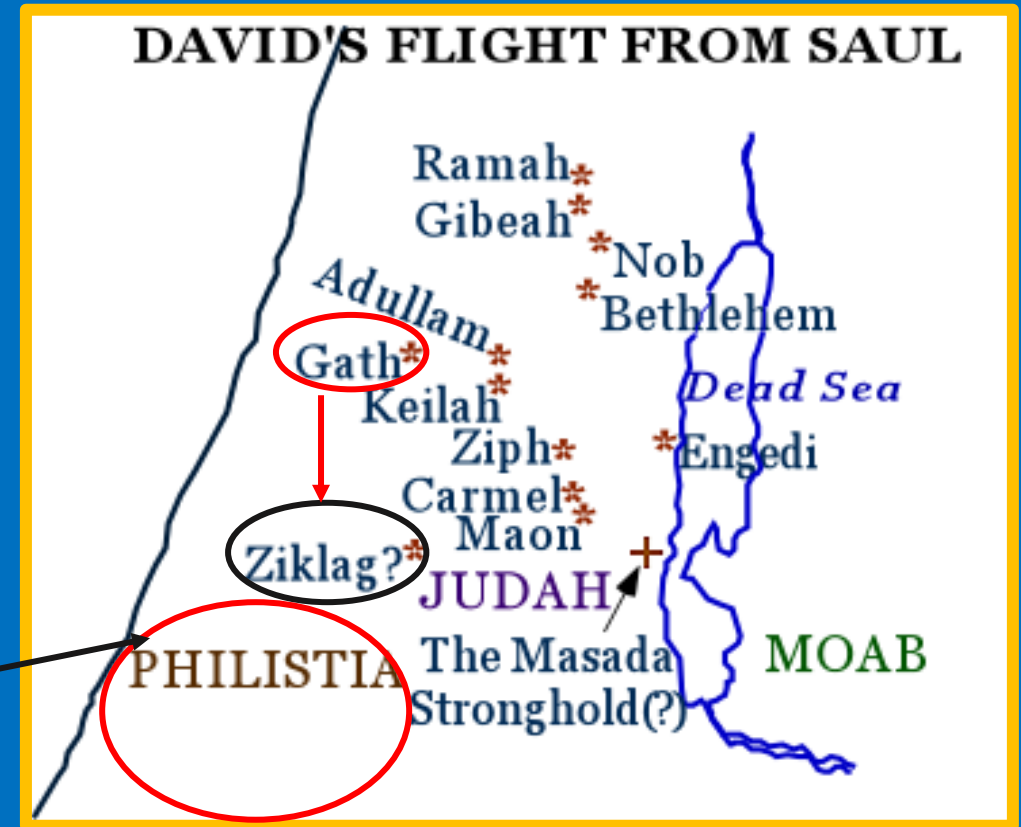
- Vs. 1-12
- David realized he could not trust Saul and decided to reside in the land of the Philistines.
- David knew Saul would not pursue him in Philistine territory.



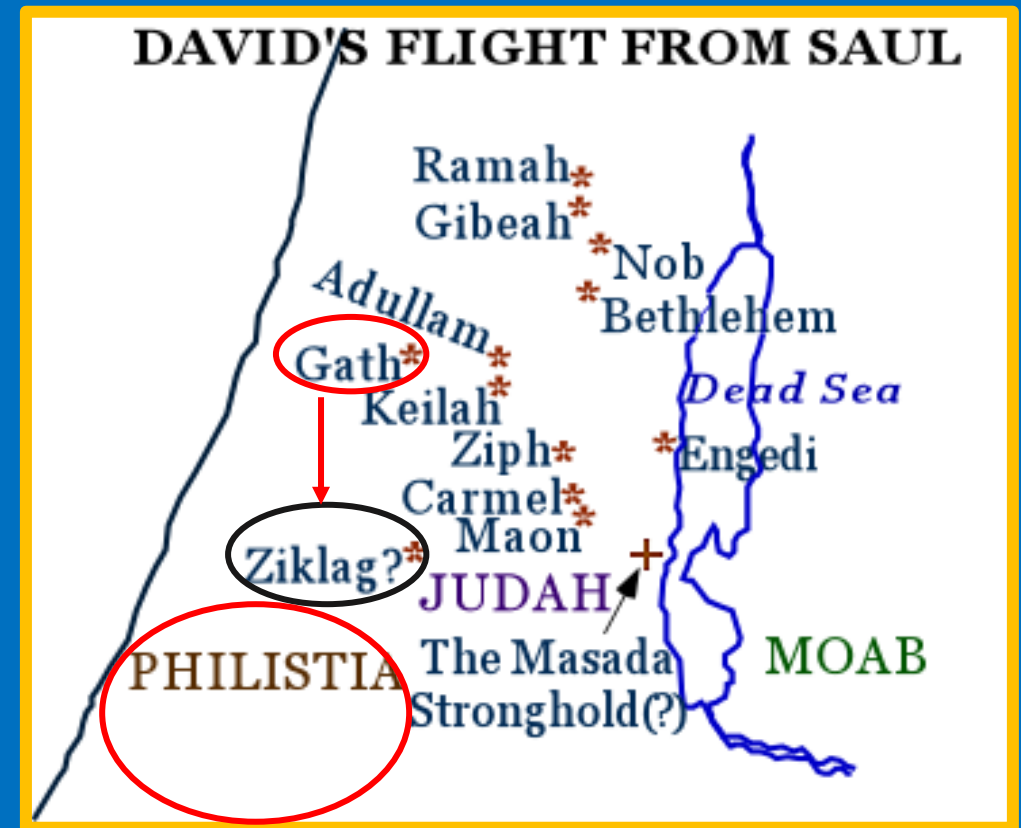
- David went with his six hundred men to Achish (A-kish), the king of Gath. David previously feigned madness in Gath. Goliath also lived in Gath. []
- David moved from Gath. Perhaps, David did not want to be under the king's eye or under an idolatrous rule.



- David asked the king for the land of **Ziklag**. The king granted him his wish and David lived among the Philistines for one year and four months. [*]
- David raided the Geshurites, the Girzites, and the Amalekites.



- These tribes were inhabitants of Canaan from ancient times. These people resided in southern Canaan and northern Sinai.
- David made Achish believe he had attacked Judean lands, but he gained the **loyalty** of the Israelites by attacking their hostile southern neighbors.



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Summary

Zechariah 4:6 states, "...Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit, says the Lord of hosts". Fear often clouds our judgment. In times of fear, anger, uncertainty it is important to wait upon the Lord. Psalm 46:10 states, "Be still, and know that I am God!"

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1st Chronicles 29:29

9 Now the acts of King David, from first to last, are written in the chronicles of Samuel the seer, in the chronicles of Nathan the prophet and in the chronicles of Gad the seer...” []

Psalm 5:11

11 But let all who take refuge in You be glad, Let them ever sing for joy; And may You shelter them, That those who love Your name may exult in You.

Psalm 12:5

5 "Because of the devastation of the afflicted, because of the groaning of the needy, Now I will arise," says the Lord; "I will set him in the safety for which he longs."

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Psalm 20:1

1 May the Lord answer you in the day of trouble! May the name of the God of Jacob set you securely on high!

Psalm 46:1

1 God is our refuge and strength, Or Abundantly available for help A very present help in trouble. []

1 Samuel 25:28

28 Please forgive the transgression of your maidservant; for the Lord will certainly make for my lord an enduring house, because my lord is fighting the battles of the Lord, and evil will not be found in you all your days.

2 Samuel 7:16-*Davidic Covenant*

16 Your house and your kingdom shall endure before Me forever; your throne shall be established forever.

Noahic Covenant, Abrahamic Covenant, Mosaic Covenant,
Davidic Covenant, New Covenant []

1st Samuel 25-36-39

36 Then Abigail came to Nabal, and behold, he was holding a feast in his house, like the feast of a king. And Nabal's heart was merry within him, for he was very drunk; so she did not tell him anything at all until the morning light. 37 But in the morning, when the wine had gone out of Nabal, his wife told him these things, and his heart died within him so that he became as a stone.

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38 About ten days later, the Lord struck Nabal and he died. 39 When David heard that Nabal was dead, he said, "Blessed be the Lord, who has pleaded the cause of my reproach from the hand of Nabal and has kept back His servant from evil. The Lord has also returned the evildoing of Nabal on his own head." []

Genesis 2:24

24 For this reason a man shall leave his father and his mother, and be joined to his wife; and they shall become one flesh. []

Hebrews 10:30

30 For we know Him who said, "VENGEANCE IS MINE, I WILL REPAY."

Psalm 94:1-2

10 Lord, God of vengeance, God of vengeance, shine forth!
2 Rise up, O Judge of the earth, Render recompense to the proud. []

Revelation 11:7-15

11 Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat upon it, from whose presence earth and heaven fled away, and no place was found for them. 12 And I saw the dead [bodies of unbelievers from all time], the great and the small, standing before the throne, and books were opened; and another book was opened, which is the book of life; and the dead [bodies of unbelievers] were judged from the things which were written in the books, according to their deeds.

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13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it, and death [bodies of unbelievers] and Hades [souls of unbelievers from all time] gave up the dead which were in them; and they were judged, every one of them according to their deeds. 14 Then death and Hades [body and soul] were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire. 15 And if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire. []

Philippians 2:8

8 Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

Romans 8:33-34

33 Who will bring a charge against God's elect? God is the one who justifies; 34 who is the one who condemns? Christ Jesus is He who died, yes, rather who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us. []

Joshua 14:13

- 6 Then the sons of Judah drew near to Joshua in Gilgal, and Caleb the son of Jephunneh [Ja-fawn-a] the Kenizzite [*a tribe from Edom*] said to him, “You know the word which the Lord spoke to Moses the man of God concerning you and me in Kadesh-barnea...13 So Joshua blessed him and gave Hebron to Caleb the son of Jephunneh [Ja-fawn-a] for an inheritance. []

1st Samuel 25:29

29 Should anyone rise up to pursue you and to seek your life, then the life of my lord shall be bound in the bundle of the living with the Lord your God; but the lives of your enemies He will sling out as from the hollow of a sling. []

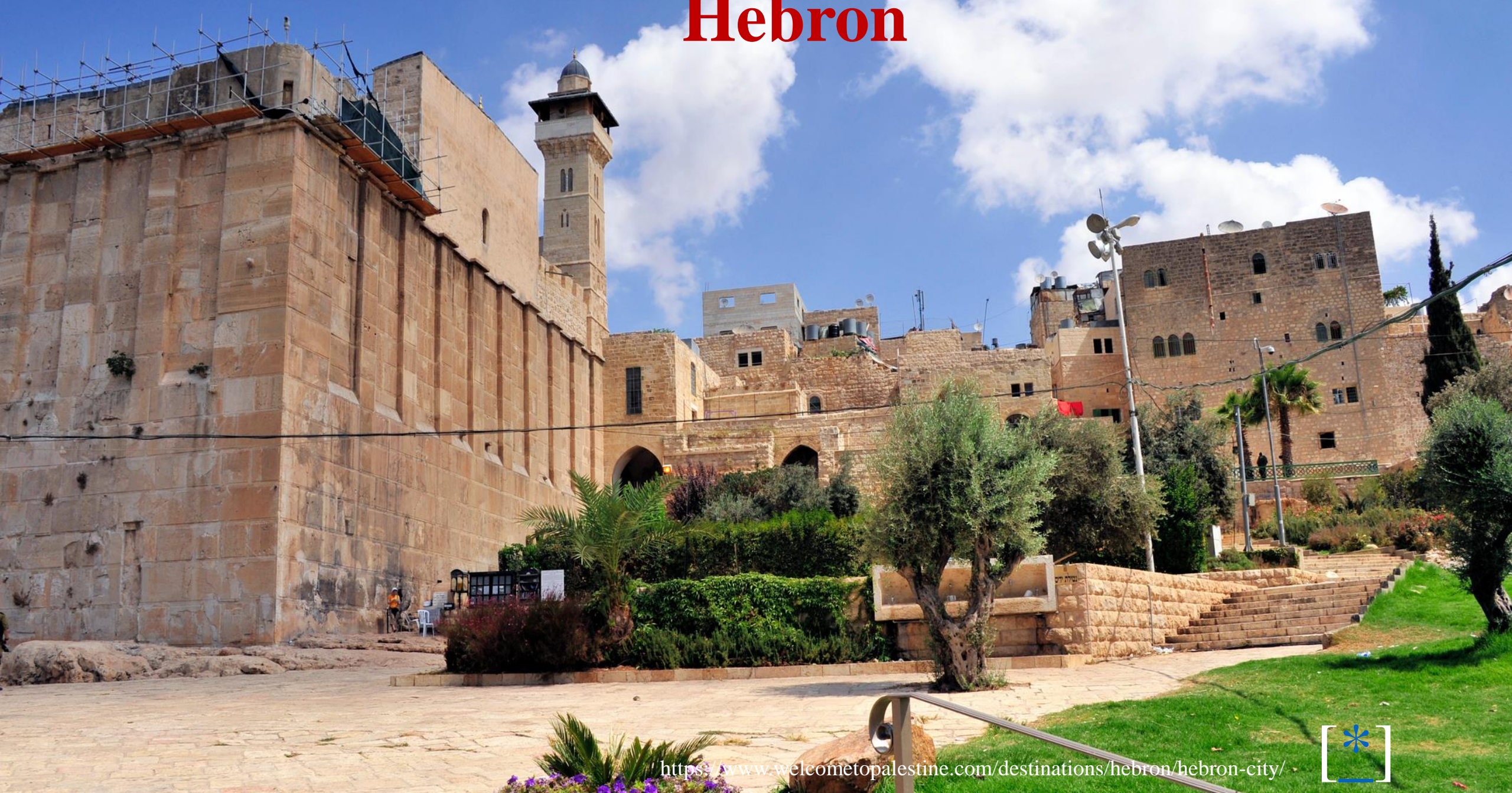
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Wilderness of Moan



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