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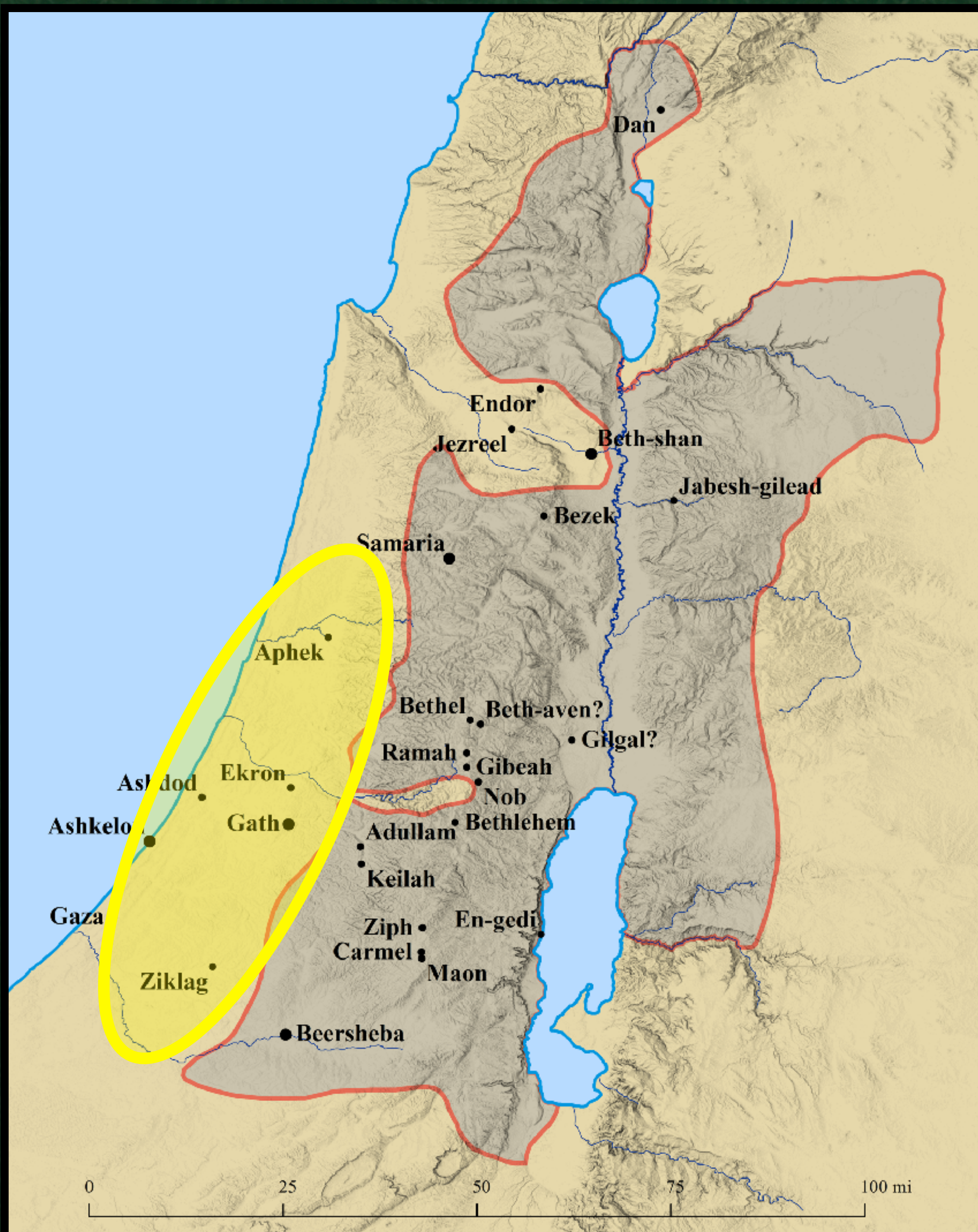


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But now your kingdom shall not continue. The LORD has sought for Himself a man after His own heart, and the LORD has commanded him to be commander over His people, because you have not kept what the LORD commanded you."

1 Samuel 13:14

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“ Why did they keep it seven months at all?
It can take a long time before we realize
the futility of resisting God! ”

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“ They think all the calamity of the plagues has been from the Lord God of Israel. But they are not 100% sure. So, they devise another test. After all, one never wants to repent unnecessarily! ”

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“ The Israelites and the Philistines were both resisting Him, so the Lord found a few cows to show His glory through! ”

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When the camp prepares to journey, Aaron and his sons shall come, and they shall take down the covering veil and cover the ark of the Testimony with it.

Numbers 4:5

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3. God's Instruction Is More Important Than Good Intentions (v13-19)

And when Aaron and his sons have finished covering the sanctuary and all the furnishings of the sanctuary, when the camp is set to go, then the sons of Kohath shall come to carry them; but they shall not touch any holy thing, lest they die...

Numbers 4:15

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3. God's Instruction Is More Important Than Good Intentions (v13-19)

But they shall not go in to watch while the
holy things are being covered, lest they die.

Numbers 4:20

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4. Dedicated To God Is Better Than Distant From God (v20-7:2)

“ Like the Philistines, all the Israelites were concerned about was sending the ark off to the next city. There was no self-searching, no confession of sin. This act confirmed the spiritual darkness of their hearts.”

Stephen J. Andrews & Robert D. Bergen, Holman OT Commentary

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4. Dedicated To God Is Better Than Distant From God (v20-7:2)

Hebrews 10

30 For we know Him who said, "VENGEANCE IS MINE, I WILL REPAY," says the Lord. And again, "THE LORD WILL JUDGE HIS PEOPLE."

31 It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

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4. Dedicated To God Is Better Than Distant From God (v20-7:2)

“ Their question was not, “How can we be made right with a holy God,” but it was “Who can we give this problem to so the holiness of God is no longer a burden to us?” ”

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Minister To One Another

- **Manifestations of the Spirit** (1 Corinthians 12:7-11)
 - word of wisdom
 - word of knowledge
 - faith
 - gifts of healings
 - working of miracles
 - prophecy
 - discerning of spirits
- **Share Verses With Each Other** (Colossians 3:16)
- **Pray For One Another** (James 5:16)