

Give Us A King



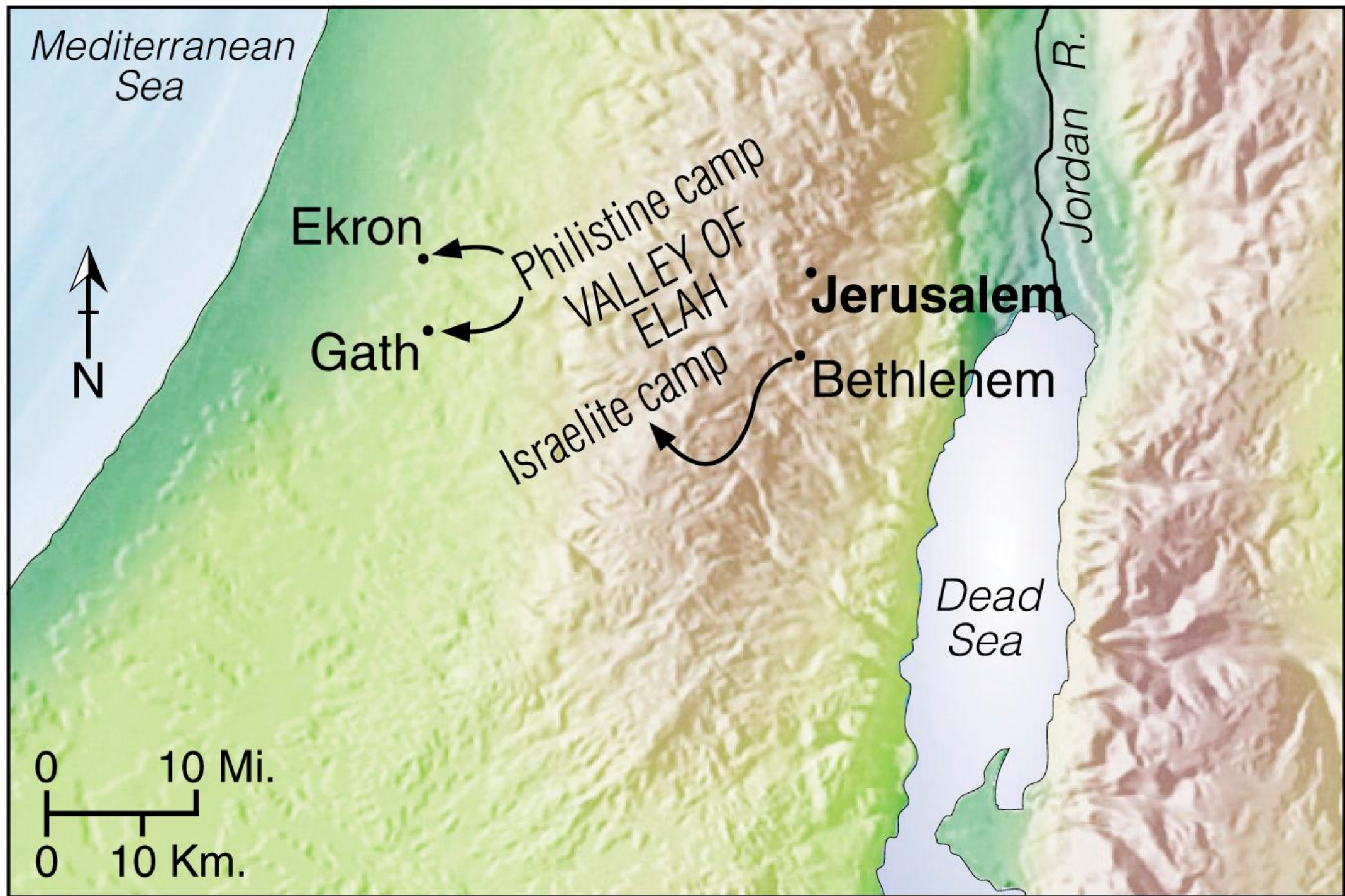
A Harmony of Samuel, Kings, and Chronicles

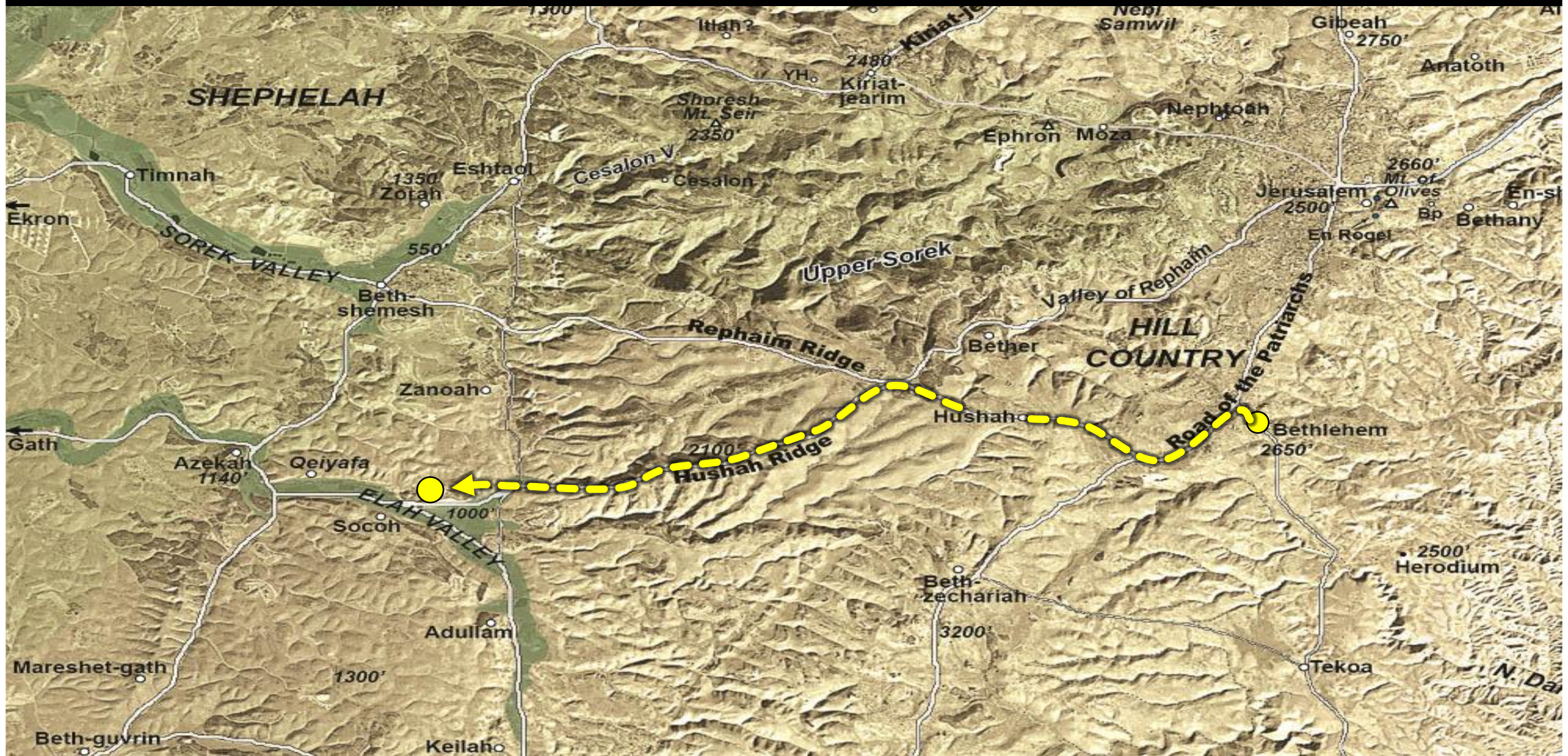
Part 1

1-2 Samuel and 1 Chronicles

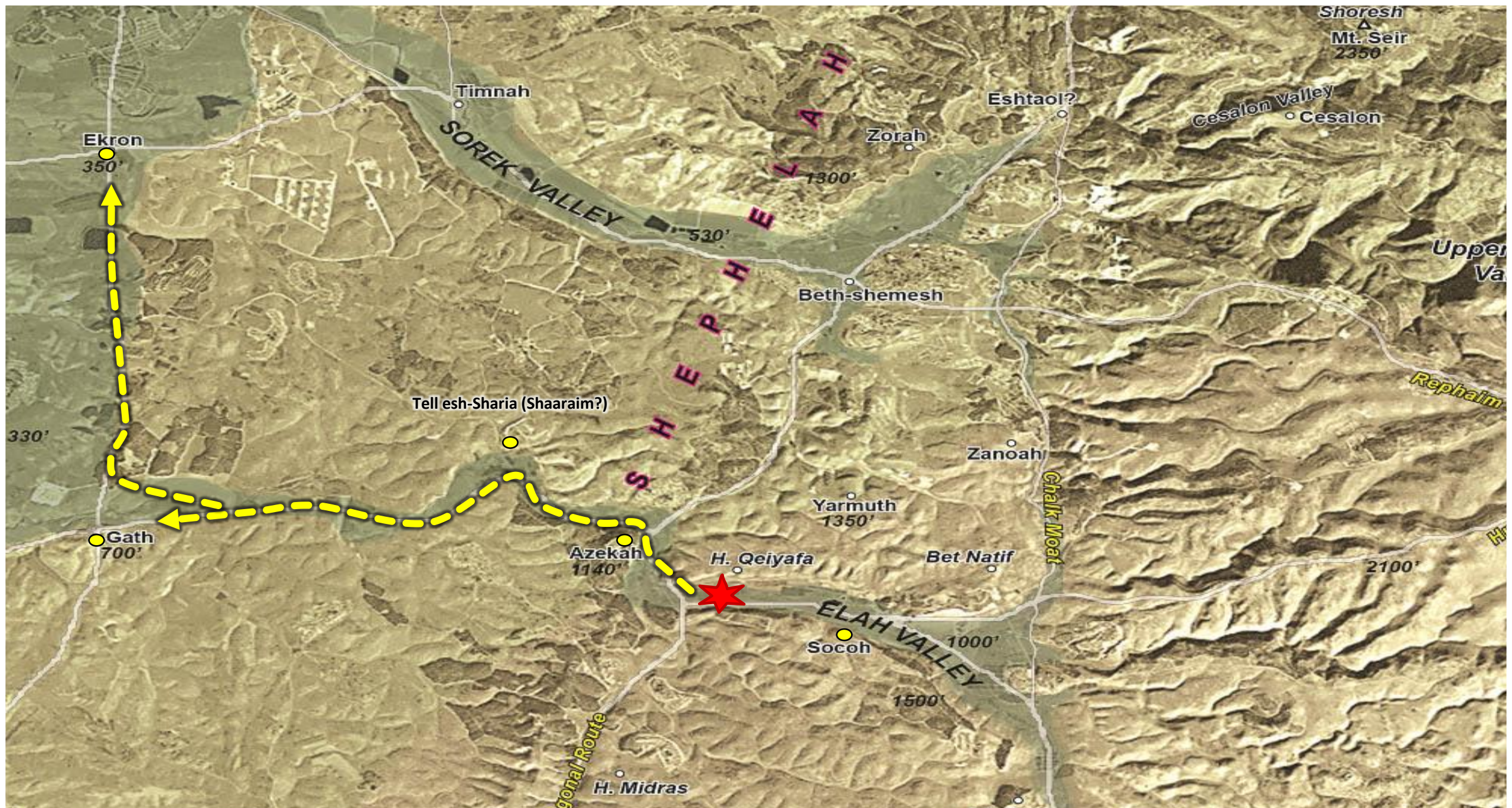
Applications for Today

1. The Lord does not see as man sees. He looks on the heart of mankind, not the outward appearance (16:7; 1 Tim. 2:9-10; 1 Pet. 3:3-6).
2. Like David, young people today need to be skilled, mighty, and prudent in serving the Lord (16:18; 1 Tim. 4:12; Tit. 2:4-8).
3. The Lord is with all those who obey him (16:18; 18:14, 28; Gen. 39:2, 23).

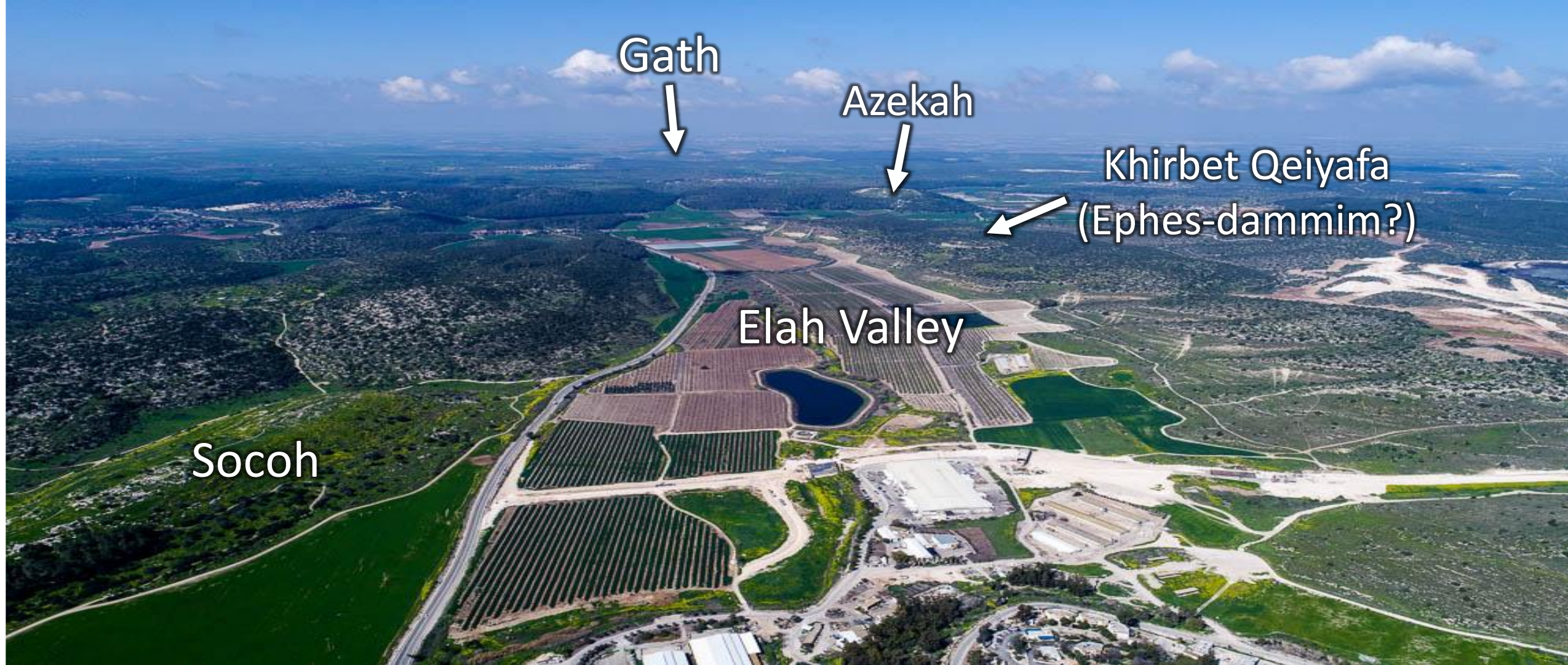




Map of the route from Bethlehem to the Elah Valley via the Hushah Ridge



Map of the Elah Valley, with Socoh and Azekah



Gath

Azekah

Khirbet Qeiyafa
(Ephes-dammim?)

Elah Valley

Socoh

The Elah Valley with Socoh, Azekah, and Gath (aerial view from the east)

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4. It is the mature man (Goliath's "give me a man") who can truly fight for the Lord (17:10; 1 Cor. 16:13).
5. We must always remember what the cause is in our battles for the Lord (17:29 [see the KJV, ASV]; 1 Tim. 1:18; 6:12; 2 Tim. 4:7)?
6. Don't let anyone despise your youth and discourage you from fighting. Even young people can fight well for the Lord (17:33, 42, 55; 1 Tim. 4:12).

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7. We must have faith in the Lord that he will deliver us in our battles (17:37; Prov. 21:31).
8. Don't try to fight a battle with something you are not experienced using (17:38-40; Eph. 6:10-18).
9. It is good to have a close friend whom you love like your own soul to make it through the trials of life (18:1-4; Prov. 17:17; 27:9, 17).

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10. Behave wisely and you will be greatly rewarded by the Lord (18:5, 14-15, 30; Psa. 101:2).