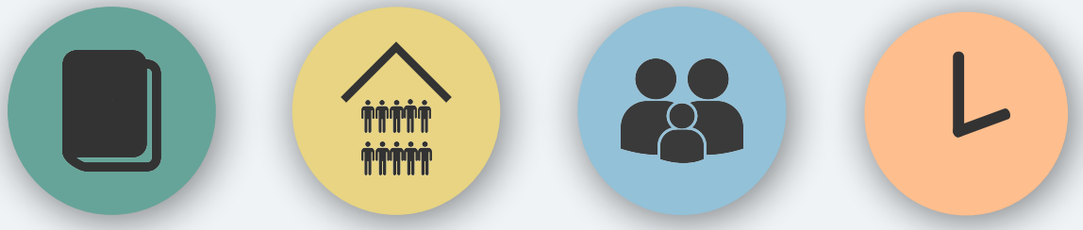
TENANTS IN THE LAND OF PROMISE

taking possession of our heritage



class one: “all the land is mine”

“an exceeding good land”
Num 14:7

“the pleasant land”
Psa 106:24

“the land of ornament”
Dan 11:41 [mg.]

“a land of corn and wine”
Deut 33:28

“a delightsome land”
Mal 3:12

“a land of desire”
Jer 3:19

“the land of promise”
Heb 11:9

“the glorious land”
Dan 11:16

“a good land and large”
Exo 3:8

“the holy land”
Zech 2:12

“a land of uprightness”
Psa 143:10

11 But the land, whither ye go to possess it, is a land
of hills and valleys, and drinketh water of the rain of
heaven: 12 A land which the Lord thy God careth for:
the eyes of the Lord thy God are always upon it,
from the beginning of the year even unto the end of
the year.

Deut 11:11-12

LEASEHOLD

"The national tenancy of Canaan under the law being leasehold, no purchases of freehold estates could be made in the land. If Israel had been a freeholder, the case would have been different. But the land belonged to the Lord; and they had no more right to grant it away in parcels for ever, than the tenant under a twenty-one years' lease has to cut up his holding into lots, and sell them to purchasers for ever."

[Elpis Israel, Pg. 249]

A THEME IN GENESIS

On day three both land and fruitful vegetation are created. Ge 1:9-12

"while the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest… shall not cease" Ge 8:22

A garden is planted with fruit that is good for food. Ge 2:8-9

"to dress it and to keep it" Ge 2:15

man created to till it Ge 2:5

A THEME IN GENESIS

Outside of the garden, Adam was still instructed to till the ground. Ge 3:23

Cain and Abel bring of the fruit of their increase. Ge 4:3-5



The Truth



The ecclesia

Our family



Resources and time





THE TRUTH

Let a man so account of us, as of the **ministers** of Christ, and **stewards** of the mysteries of God.

1 Cor 4:1



THE ECCLESIA

Neither as being lords over God's **heritage**, but being ensamples to the flock.

1 Pet 5:3

#2819 - kleros - the idea of casting lots



OUR FAMILY

Lo, children are an **heritage** of the LORD: and the fruit of the womb is his reward.

Psa 127:3

#5159 - nahalat - “inheritance”



OUR RESOURCES AND TIME

For the kingdom of heaven is as a man travelling into a far country, who called his own servants, and **delivered unto them his goods**.

Matt 25:14

talents = our abilities

pound = the truth



"stewards of the mysteries **of God**"



"the ecclesia **of God**"



"an heritage **of the LORD**"



"delivered unto them **his** goods"

THE KEY PRINCIPLE

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THE LAND BELONGS TO GOD

God has entrusted to us
His children

sad example of a family
Je 7:18

our time, homes, and
resources are all from God
for use in His service

lesson of the manna and the
Jerusalem poor fund
2Co 8:13-15

GOD'S SPECIAL LAND

our attitude ~
do we complain about our brethren?

"Christ loved the ecclesia and gave his life for it" Eph 5:25

avoid speaking evil of others
in the ears of our family

LAND OF MILK & HONEY

"…to bring them up out of that land unto a good land and a large, unto a land flowing with milk and honey."

Exodus 3:8

- describes prosperity and abundance
- short form for general fruitfulness
- used of other lands (Egypt, Assyria)




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“A tourist to Palestine from the fertile plains of America might wonder if Moses was in his right mind when he described the Promised Land as “… a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and depths that spring out of the valleys and hills; A land of wheat, and barley, and vines, and fig trees, and pomegranates..”

“However, the Promised Land was no Garden of Eden. The Israelites may have envisioned endless valleys of crops and hillsides adorned with grasses, herbs, and flowers; but that is not what they found. Thorns and thistles cover the rocky land.”

Illustrated Manners and Customs of Bible

“What the Israelites could accomplish with the soil of Palestine depended entirely on their relationship with the Lord. He promised to bless them materially for their obedience: “The Lord shall open unto thee his good treasure, the heaven to give the rain unto thy land in his season, and to bless all the work of thine hand: …”

LAND OF MILK & HONEY

- ideal for the development of God's people
  - NOT like Egypt
  - its fertility depended on the rain from heaven… on their <u>obedience</u>
  - God could shut up the heavens

Milk = first principles, the word of God

Honey = blessing, sweetness, the word of God, blessing, enlightenment

LEASEHOLDERS IN THE LAND

anything we dedicate to this life will be lost!

“lay not up for yourselves treasures on earth” Mt 6:19-20

BRING FORTH AN INCREASE

use the skills and resources
we have been given!

sad recognition that these resources were being given to the world
Ne 9:34-37

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class two: “drive out all the inhabitants”

THE PARABLE OF THE VINEYARD

vineyard	house of Israel and Judah
householder	God
servants	the prophets
son	Christ
husbandmen	the Jews and their fathers
“destroy the wicked men”	AD 70
“give unto other husbandmen”	us

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THE SONG OF YAHWEH'S VINEYARD

"And he fenced it,
and **gathered out the stones** thereof…"

Isaiah 5:2

- opposite of when a city was destroyed 2 Kings 3:19,25
- represents casting out the nations of Canaan
- stones = false doctrine and morals Ro 14:13, Re 2:14, Nu 31:16, 25:1-3

THE PARABLE OF THE SOWER

"And some **fell upon a rock**; and as soon as it was sprung up, it withered away, because it lacked moisture."

Luke 8:6

see also Ps 80:8-11

THE PARABLE OF THE SOWER

Three obstacles to bearing fruit…

1. Wayside “fowls of the air" = nations Je 34:18-20
2. Rock “lacked moisture” = nations Ps 80:8-11
3. Thorns “choked” = nations Ps 106:34-36

“…and bring forth no fruit to perfection”

Lk 8:17

UTTER DESTRUCTION

haharem taharim

"…thou shalt smite them and **utterly destroy** them."

Deuteronomy 7:2

#2763 charam
"to seclude; to devote to religious uses
(especially destruction)"

trans. - destroy, devote, accursed,
consecrate, slay, flat nose

JERICHO

"And the city shall be **accursed**, even it and all that are therein, to the LORD."

Josh 6:17

#2764- cherem
"a mode of secluding, and rendering harmless, anything imperiling the religious life of the nation"

(Driver, Critical Commentary on Deuteronomy)

DRIVE OUT & DESTROY THE CANAANITES

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develop an ability to defend the truth against false doctrine

"it is written" Mt 4:4,7,10

remove worldly influences on our mind (media, etc..)

"bring into captivity <u>every</u> thought" 2Co 10:3-5

"think on things…" Php 4:8

limit family association with the world

"leave it for an inheritance for your children for ever" Ezra 9:10-12

JOSHUA'S SOUTHERN CAMPAIGN

Bethel
Ai
Gilgal
Beth-horon
Jericho
Gezer
Aijalon
Gibeon
Chephirah
Beeroth
Kiriath-jearim
Ekron
Jebus (Jerusalem)
Beth-shemesh
Jarmuth
Gath
Azekah
Bethlehem
Adullam
Libnah
Beth-zur
Lachish
Makkedah
Hebron
Eglon
En-gedi
DEAD SEA
Debir
Ziklag

ECHOES TO CHRIST

Joshua Chapter 10

17 And it was told Joshua, saying, The five kings are found hid in a cave at Makkedah. 18 And Joshua said, Roll great stones upon the mouth of the cave, and set men by it for to keep them:

24 … Come near, put your feet upon the necks of these kings. And they came near, and put their feet upon the necks of them.

26 And afterward Joshua smote them, and slew them, and hanged them on five trees: and they were hanging upon the trees until the evening. 27 And it came to pass at the time of the going down of the sun, that Joshua commanded, and they took them down off the trees, and cast them into the cave wherein they had been hid, and laid great stones in the cave's mouth, <u>which remain until this very day.</u>

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UTTER DESTRUCTION

- v28 Makkedah - “utterly destroyed”; “let none remain”
- v29 Libnah - “all the souls”; “let none remain”
- v31 Lachish - “all the souls”
- v33 Gezer - “left him none remaining”
- v34 Eglon - “all the souls… he utterly destroyed”
- v36 Hebron - “all the souls”; “left none remaining”; “destroyed it utterly”
- v38 Debir - “utterly destroyed all the souls”; “left none remaining”
- v40 - all the country - “he left none remaining”; “utterly destroyed”

Seven Cities!!!!!

UTTER DESTRUCTION

- v. 38 - did to Debir as he had done to Hebron
- what had he done to Hebron?
- v.37 - the same as he had done to Eglon
- what had he done to Eglon?
- v.35 - the same as he had done to Lachish
- what had he done to Lachish?
- v.32 - the same as he had done to Libnah
- what had he done to Libnah
- v. 30 - the same as he had done to Jericho

TYPE OF CHRIST

"If Jesus {Joshua} had given them rest…
there remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God."

Hebrews 4:8

- Joshua had given them rest? Josh 11:23; 14:15; 21:44; 22:4; 23:1
- quotation from Psa 95:7-11

TYPE OF CHRIST

"Having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, **triumphing over them** in it."

Colossians 2:15

- "in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin
  He 4:15; 1Pe 2:22
- Joshua (Christ) takes them in when Moses (the law) was dead Josh 1:1-2
- the ark goes ahead by 2,000 cubits Josh 3:10-12
- "I have overcome the world" Jn 16:33

LESS "COMPLETE" DESTRUCTION

Judges chapter one

"Benjamin did not drive out the Jebusites…" v.21

"…neither did Ephraim" v.29

"…neither did Zebulon" v.30

"…neither did Asher" v.31

"…neither did Naphtali" v.33

BETHEL & JERICHO

Similarities

- spies were sent out
- fall of the city is associated with cooperation of an inhabitant
- agreement to spare the life of the helper
- extended family is also spared
- in each case the LORD was with them

BETHEL & JERICHO

Differences

- Rahab seeks deliverance
- Rahab shows faith and a fear of Yahweh
- no spiritual content in the case of the man from Bethel
- at Jericho there is dependance on God for victory
- Rahab endorses the destruction of Jericho
- the man from Bethel immediately rebuilds Luz

COMPROMISE AT BETHEL

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COMPROMISE AT BETHEL

need for a solid scriptural foundation in reunion efforts

“that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind”
1Co 1:10

carefully consider the foundation of relationships outside the truth

SPUE OUT *THE* NATIONS

"… and the land itself vomiteth out its inhabitants."

Leviticus 18:25

- "shame even to speak of those things which are done of them in secret" Eph 5:12
- "have pleasure in them that do them" Ro 1:32
- "because thou art lukewarm…" Re 3:16

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class three: “go in and possess"

PARABLE OF THE UNCLEAN SPIRIT

24 When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest; and finding none, he saith, I will return unto my house whence I came out. 25 And when he cometh, he findeth *it* **swept** and **garnished**. 26 Then goeth he, and taketh *to him* **seven other spirits more wicked than himself;** and they enter in, and dwell there: and the last *state* of that man is worse than the first.

"the Hittites,
the Girgashites,
the Amorites,
the Canaanites,
the Perizzites,
the Hivites,
& the Jebusites"

Deut 7:1

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1. taken out of Egypt
2. wilderness
3. promised land
4. feared giants
5. wanted to return
6. nations of Canaan

PARABLE OF THE STRONG MAN

[21] When a **strong man** armed keepeth his **palace**, his **goods** are in peace: [22] But when a **stronger than he** shall come upon him, and **overcome him**, he taketh from him all his **armour** wherein he trusted, and divideth his **spoils**.

1. Pharaoh
2. Egypt
3. Israel
4. Yahweh
5. the plagues
6. destruction of armies
7. spoiled Egypt

GO IN AND POSSESS

"…go in and **possess** the land which the LORD sware unto your fathers."

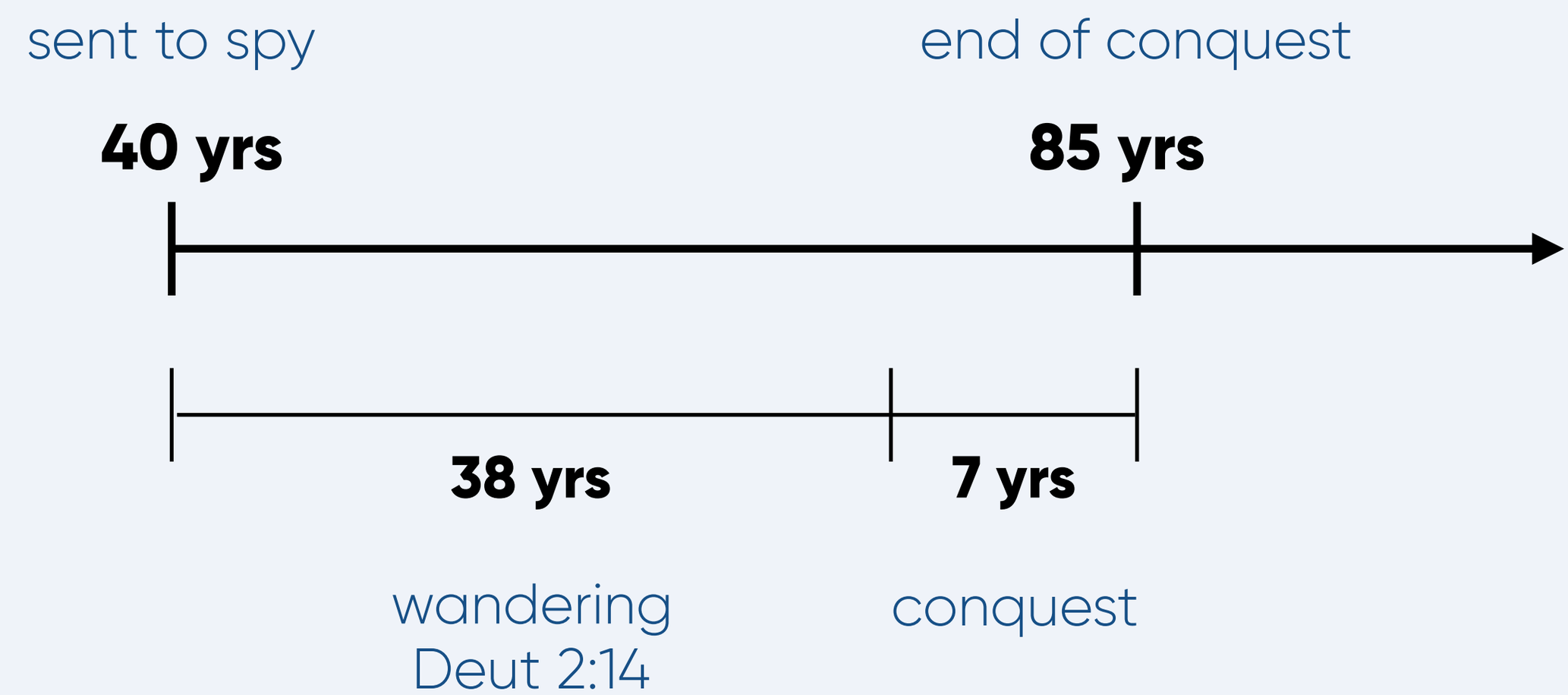
Deuteronomy 1:8

#2763 yaresh
"to occupy (by driving out previous tenants and possessing in their place), to inherit"

STAGES OF CONQUEST

- National
  - First incursion into Canaan — Nu 21
  - East of Jordan — Nu 21
  - Jericho/Ai/Gibeon — Josh 6-9
  - Southern Campaign — Josh 10
  - Northern Campaign — Josh 11

STAGES OF CONQUEST



Timeline of Caleb Joshua 14:7,10

“To sum it all, we find that the wars under Joshua put Israel into possession of Canaan and broke the power of its inhabitants, but that the latter were not exterminated, nor yet all their cities taken by Israel.

But there was also a higher object in this. It would teach that a conquest, begun in the power of God and in believing dependence on Him, must be completed and consolidated in the same spirit.

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EXTENT OF THE CONQUEST

City Town whose king is said to have been defeated by Israel's forces

Town inside Israelite control

Town beyond Israelite control

Town not captured *(Josh. 13:1-7; 16:10; 17:7-18; Judg. 1)*

City of refuge

Town burned by Israelites in conquest

Major battle sites of Israel's conquest

Area of Israel's control

0 15 30 Miles

0 15 30 Kilometers

PHOENICIA

ARAM

Damascus

River

Pharpar River

Litani

Ahlab

Tyre

Dan

Beth-anath

Kedesh

Lake Huleh

Rehob

Achzib

Beth-shemesh

Merom

Hazor

Acco

Achshaph

Sea of Galilee

Bashan

Ashtaroth

Golan

Aphek

Yarmuk R.

Shimron

Endor

Jezreel Valley

Jokneam

Dor

Megiddo

Jezreel

Taanach

Beth-shan

Edrei

Ramoth-gilead

MEDITERRANEAN SEA

Ibleam

Jabesh-gilead

Hepher

Socoh

Tirzah

Succoth

Jabbok River

Mahanaim

Jordan River

W. Farta R.

Shechem

Yarkon River

Tappuah

Aphek

Joppa

Jogbehah

AMMON

Jazer

Rabbah (Amman)

Bethel

Ai

Shaalbim

Gezer

Aijalon

Gibeon

Jericho

Heshbon

Bezer

Ekron

Beth-shemesh

Jerusalem

Ashdod

Jarmuth

Medeba

Gath

Ashkelon

Adullam

Libnah

PHILISTIA

Lachish

Hebron

Dibon

Aroer

Gaza

Makkedah

Eglon

Debir

DEAD SEA

Arnon River

Besor Brook

Gerar

Ziklag

Arad

Beersheba

Hormah

MOAB

Kir-hareseth

Eastern Desert

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Zered River

Wilderness of Zin

EDOM

“To us also has our Joshua given entrance into Canaan, and victory over our enemies - the world, the flesh, and the devil. We have present possession of the land. But we do not yet hold all its cities, nor are our enemies exterminated.

It needs on our part constant faith; there must be no compromise with the enemy, no tolerance of his spirit, no cessation of our warfare. Only that which at first gave us the land can complete and consolidate our possession of it.”

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STAGES OF CONQUEST

Joshua

- National 6-11
- Tribal
  - Reuben, Gad, 1/2 Manasseh 13
  - Judah 15
  - Ephraim 16
  - 1/2 Manasseh 17
  - 7 tribes 18-19

STAGES OF CONQUEST

- National — Josh 6-11
- Tribal — Josh 13,15-19
- Individual
  - Caleb — Josh 14
  - Othniel — Josh 15
  - part of Dan — Judg 18
  - Jabez — 1 Chron 4
  - Naboth — 1 Kings 21

TAKE COMPLETE POSSESSION

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PARALLEL ACCOUNTS

Events detailed in both Joshua 15-19 and Judges 1

- Caleb takes Hebron
- Achsah given to Othniel who smites Kirjath-sepher
- the Jebusites cannot be driven out of Jerusalem
- Ephraim does not drive out the Canaanites
- Manasseh puts the Canaanites to tribute
- Simeon and Judah together
- Dan does not take his inheritance

FAILURES OF THE TRIBES

Judges Chapter 1

mostly separate (Judah) v.19

permit the world in (Benjamin) v.21

compromise (Manasseh/Zebulon) v.28,30

indistinguishable (Asher/Naphtali) v.32,33

forced to change (Dan) v.34

SUCCESSIVE FAILURES OF THE TRIBES

Joshua 15-19

- Judah cannot capture Jerusalem
- Ephraim puts the Canaanites under tribute
- Manasseh cannot drive them out - tribute
- Joseph’s tribes seek more territory (chariots)
- remaining 7 tribes are slack to take possession
- Dan seeks an easier inheritance

REASON FOR FAILURE

"...but the Canaanites dwell among the Ephraimites unto this day, and serve under tribute."

Josh 16:10

#4552 mas
"a burden or tax in the form of forced labour"

NATIONS UNDER TRIBUTE

compromise on doctrine or practice to achieve peace or numbers

“heap to themselves teachers”
2Ti 4:3; Je 5:30-31

don’t justify possessions or activities under guise of using them for the ecclesia

REASON FOR FAILURE

"For thou shalt drive out the Canaanites, though they have chariots of iron, and though they be strong."

Josh 17:18

- chariots Judges 1:19, 4:3
- giants Num 13:32-33

CHARIOTS OF IRON

read the pioneer writings

“apply thy heart unto instruction and thine ears to the words of knowledge” Pr 23:12

tackle pastoral issues

“thou shouldest set in order the things that are wanting” Tit 1:5

make big changes
& tackle flaws

“be ye doers of the word, not hearers only” Jas 1:22-23

REASON FOR FAILURE

"How long are ye slack to go to possess the land…"

Josh 18:3

- "how long will you put off" (ESV)
- "how long will you neglect" (NKJV)

SLACK TO INHERIT

set up a family meeting

“in the multitude of counsellors there is safety” Pr 24:6

map out steps for change

“in all labour there is profit, but the talk of the lips tendeth only to penury” Pr 24:6

REASON FOR FAILURE

"…the coast of the children of Dan went out too little for them…"

Josh 18:3

- "was lost to them" (ESV)
- forced into mountains by Amorites Judges 1:34
- they chose another inheritance Judges

SEEKING AN ALTERNATE INHERITANCE

danger of isolation

“they continued steadfastly in the apostles doctrine and fellowship”
Acts 2:42

TENANTS IN THE LAND OF PROMISE

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class four: “the land shall be divided by lot"

“FENCED IT IN”

“And he **fenced it in** and gathered out the stones”

Isaiah 5:2

- “he thoroughly digged it” (Rotherham)
- “hedged it round about” Mt 21:33
- “took the hedge away” Is 5:5


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- “I went by the field of the slothful… the stone wall thereof was broken down” Pr 24:30-31

DIVIDED BY LOT

"According to the **lot** shall the possession thereof be divided between many and by few…"

Num 26:56

#1486 goral
"to be rough (as a stone), properly a pebble, i.e. a lot, fig. portion"

PART OF THE MINISTRY

"And they gave forth their lots; and the **lot** fell upon Matthias; and he was numbered with the eleven apostles."

Acts 1:26

#2819 kleros
"heritage, inheritance, or lot"

- same word as "part" in v17,25

SIGNIFICANCE OF LOTS

God's direction

"The lot is cast into the lap; but the whole disposing thereof is of the LORD"

Proverbs 16:33

SIGNIFICANCE OF LOTS

Contentment

“The lot causeth contentions to cease, and parteth between the mighty.”

Proverbs 18:18

SIGNIFICANCE OF LOTS

"The LORD is the portion of mine inheritance and of my cup: thou maintainest my lot. **The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places**; yea, I have a goodly heritage"

Psalm 16:5-6

#1486 - goral - "pebble"

#2256 - chebel - "a rope (as twisted); measuring line; distinct or inheritance"

LANDMARKS

"Thou shalt not remove thy neighbour's **landmark** which they of old time have set in thine inheritance…"

Deuteronomy 19:14

#1366 gabowl
"a cord (as twisted); a boundary, by extension, the territory enclosed"

LANDMARKS

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LANDMARKS

first principles
& fellowship boundaries

the princes of Judah moved the bounds Hos 5:10

stealing a portion of another's inheritance

"devoured widow's houses"
Mt 23:14; Mic 2:1-9



"High dwellings are the peace and harmony of our descendants. Remember the calamity of the great tsunamis. Do not build any homes below this point."

LANDMARKS

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standard of dress

the worshippers of Baal were distinguished by their clothes 2Ki 10:22

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LEVITICAL CITIES

"and the children of Israel gave unto the Levites out of their inheritance… cities and their suburbs"

Josh 21:3

Levi's inheritance

- the sacrifices Josh 13:14; Deut 18:1-2
- the LORD God Josh 13:33; Deut 10:9
- cities with their suburbs Josh 14:4
- the priesthood Josh 18:7



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Families of Kohath (10)

<u>Ephraim (4)</u>
- *Shechem, Gezer, Kibzaim, Beth-horon

<u>Dan (4)</u>
- Eltekeh, Gibbethon, Aijalon, Gath-rimmon

<u>Manasseh - West half (2)</u>
- Tanach, Gath-rimmon



Families of Gershon (13)

<u>Manasseh - East half (2)</u>
- *Golan, Beesh-terah

<u>Issachar (4)</u>
- Kishon, Dabareh, Jarmuth, En-ganni

<u>Asher (4)</u>
- Mishal, Abdon, Helkath, Rehob

<u>Naphtali (3)</u>
- *Kedesh, Hammoth-dor, Kartan

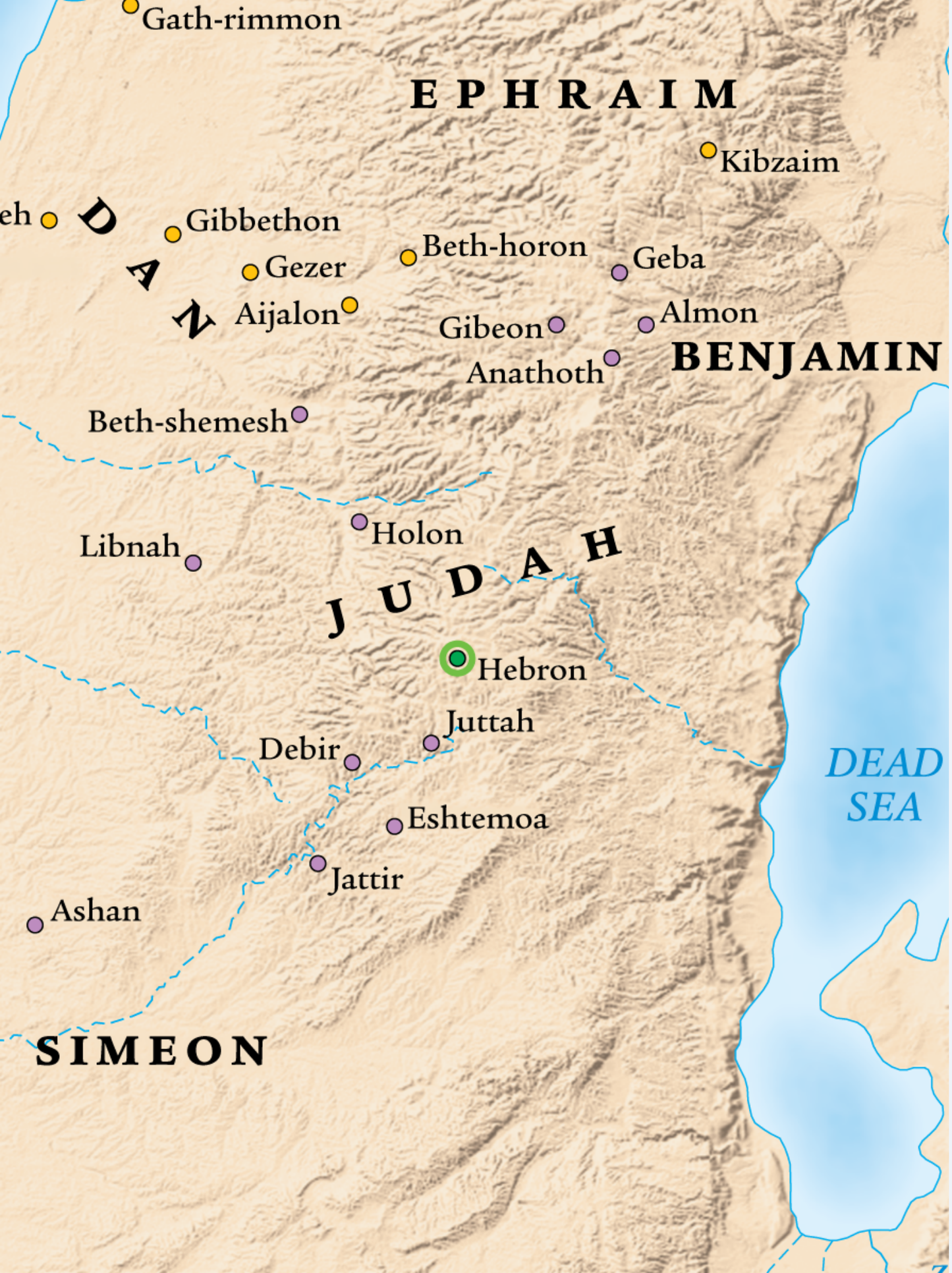


Families of Merari (12)

<u>Zebulun (4)</u>
- Jokneam, Kartah, Dimnah, Nahalal

<u>Reuben (4)</u>
- *Bezer, Jahazah, Kedemoth, Mephaath

<u>Gad (4)</u>
- *Ramoth in Gilead, Mahanaim, Heshbon, Jazer



Sons of Aaron (13)

<u>Judah and Simeon (9)</u>

- *Hebron, Libnah, Jattir, Eshtemoa, Holon, Debir, Ain, Juttah, Beth-shemesh

<u>Benjamin (4)</u>

- Gibeon, Geba, Anathoth, Almon

CITIES OF THE LEVITES

be strong in the word
sources of light to the world
and our community

“from you sounded out the word of the Lord” 1Th 1:7-8

GIVEN BY THE TRIBES

"…command the children of Israel, that they give unto the Levites of the inheritance of their possession."

Numbers 35:2

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even before starting a family
plan how to dedicate children
to God

e.g. of Hannah 1Sa 1:11

give according the lot we have been given

“every man according to his ability”
Mt 25:15; Acts 11:29

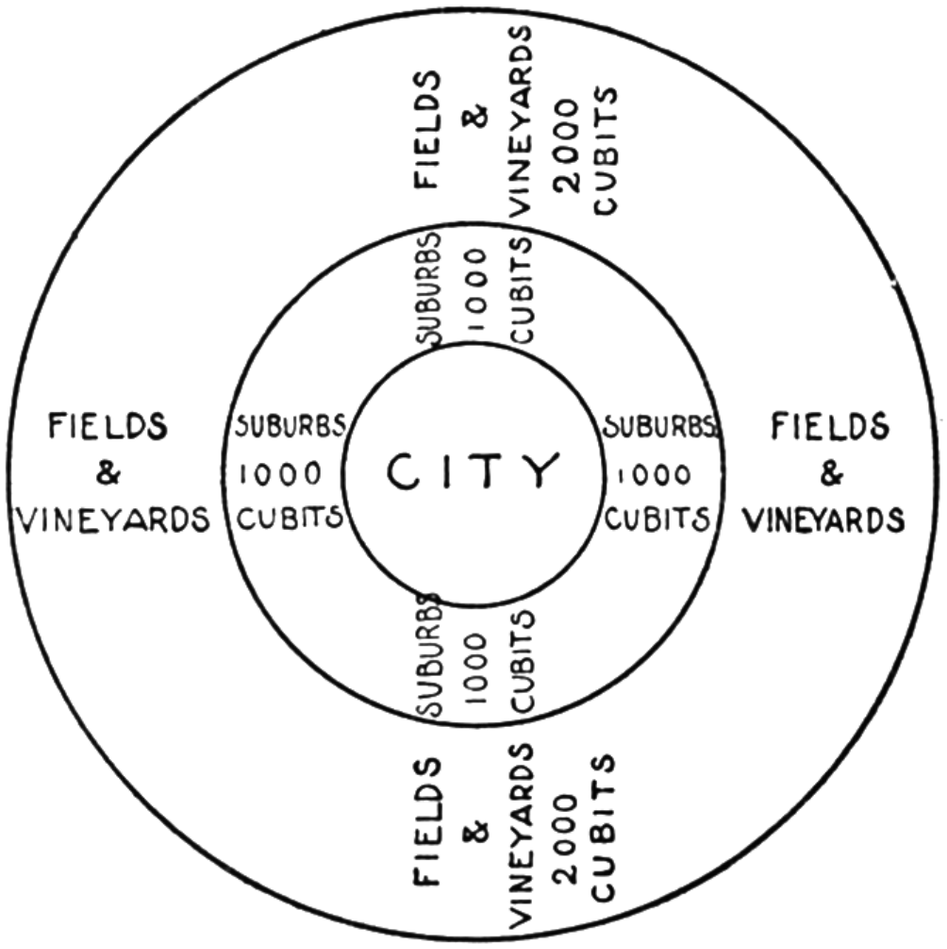
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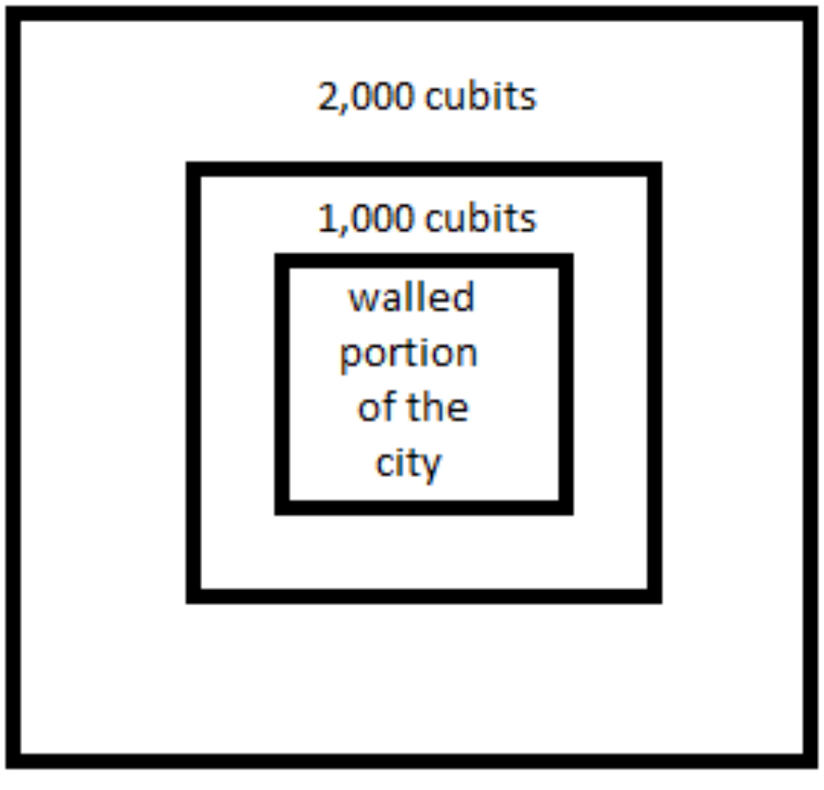
"…ye shall give also unto the Levites suburbs"

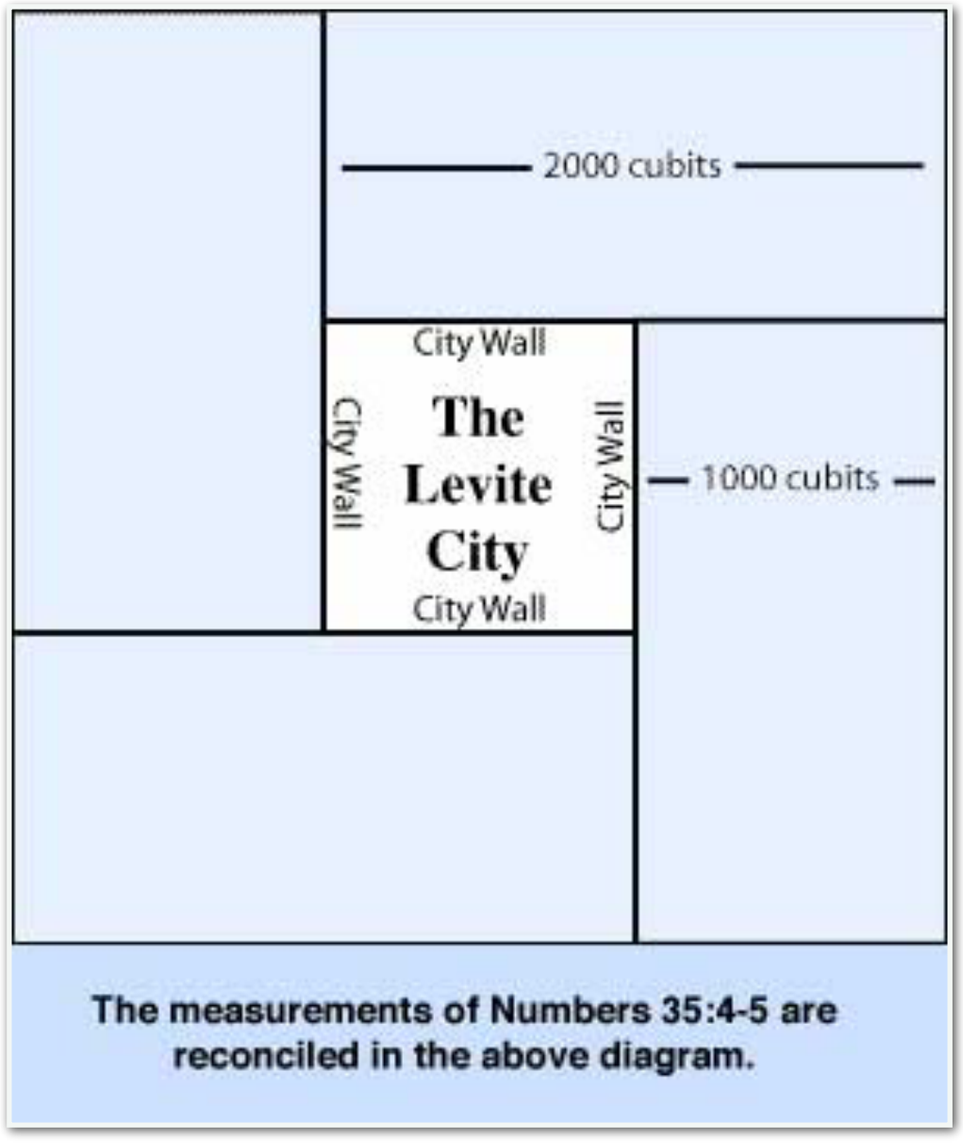
Numbers 35:2

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"a suburb (i.e. open country whither flocks are driven for pasture), the area around a building, or the margin of the sea"

- 106 of 110x in reference to levitical cities
- heb root word garash "to drive out from a possession


FIELDS & VINEYARDS 2000 CUBITS
SUBURBS 1000 CUBITS
FIELDS & VINEYARDS
SUBURBS 1000 CUBITS
CITY
SUBURBS 1000 CUBITS
FIELDS & VINEYARDS
SUBURBS 1000 CUBITS
FIELDS & VINEYARDS 2000 CUBITS


2,000 cubits
1,000 cubits
walled portion of the city


2000 cubits
City Wall
City Wall
The Levite City
City Wall
City Wall
1000 cubits
The measurements of Numbers 35:4-5 are reconciled in the above diagram.

CITIES OF REFUGE

"Appoint out for you cities of refuge…"

Joshua 20:1-3

- a place to flee from the avenger
- 6 cities - 3 on each side Jordan
- salvation hinged on intent
- roads to be kept in good repair

CITIES OF REFUGE

the Truth is a refuge
- make clear roads

“the righteous runneth into it and is safe” Pr 18:10

ecclesial structure
e.g. letters of recommendation, interviews

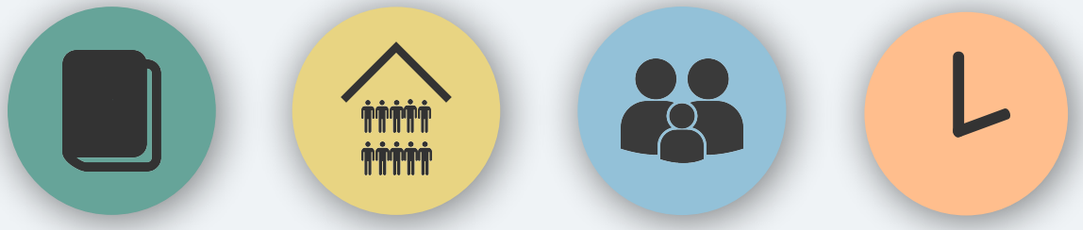
make places for those that come to our ecclesias

seek refuge for our families with those who are strong in the word

migration of the Levites southward in the days of Jeroboam
2Ch 11:13-14

TENANTS IN THE LAND OF PROMISE

taking possession of our heritage



class five: “a man which shall fulfill all my will”

ZEAL FOR AN INHERITANCE

"And Caleb said, He that smitten Kirjath-sepher and taketh it…"

Judges 1:12-13

- Kirjath-sepher = "city of the book"
- Othniel = "Lion of God" or "force of God"
- Achsah asks for the upper and nether springs
- provide deliverance in Judah Judges 3:8-11

ZEAL FOR AN INHERITANCE

"…give unto us therefore a possession among the brethren of our father."

Num 27:4

- "the daughters of Zelophehad speak right"
- marriage within the tribe prescribed Num 36:6

DAUGHTERS OF ZELOPHEHAD

Cleave to the Truth/Ecclesia

“<u>keep</u> himself to the inheritance of the tribe of his fathers”
Num 36:7

Marriage in the Truth

“married to whom she will, only in the Lord”
1Co 7:39

ZEAL FOR AN INHERITANCE

"The LORD forbid it me, that I should give the inheritance of my fathers unto thee."

1 Kings 21:3

- Naboth = fruits; Jezreel = God sows
- Ahab ignores laws - by coveting, willingness to move landmarks
- Naboth obeys laws - land was not to be transferred, and it belonged to Yahweh

NABOTH

Value our Inheritance

“buy the truth and sell it not”
Pr 23:23

Don’t covet another inheritance

“woe to them that join house to house, that lay field to field”
Is 5:8

ZEAL FOR AN INHERITANCE

"O that thou wouldest bless me indeed, and enlarge my coast."

1 Chron 4:10

- a city with the same name was the home of scribes 1Chr 2:55
- enlarge borders - drive out the enemy Ex 34:24; Deut 12:20

JABEZ

God responds to prayer

“if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us”
1Jn 5:14

ANOTHER MAN

"A man after mine own heart, which shall fulfill all my will."

Acts 13:22

- "served his own generation by the will of God"
  Acts 13:36

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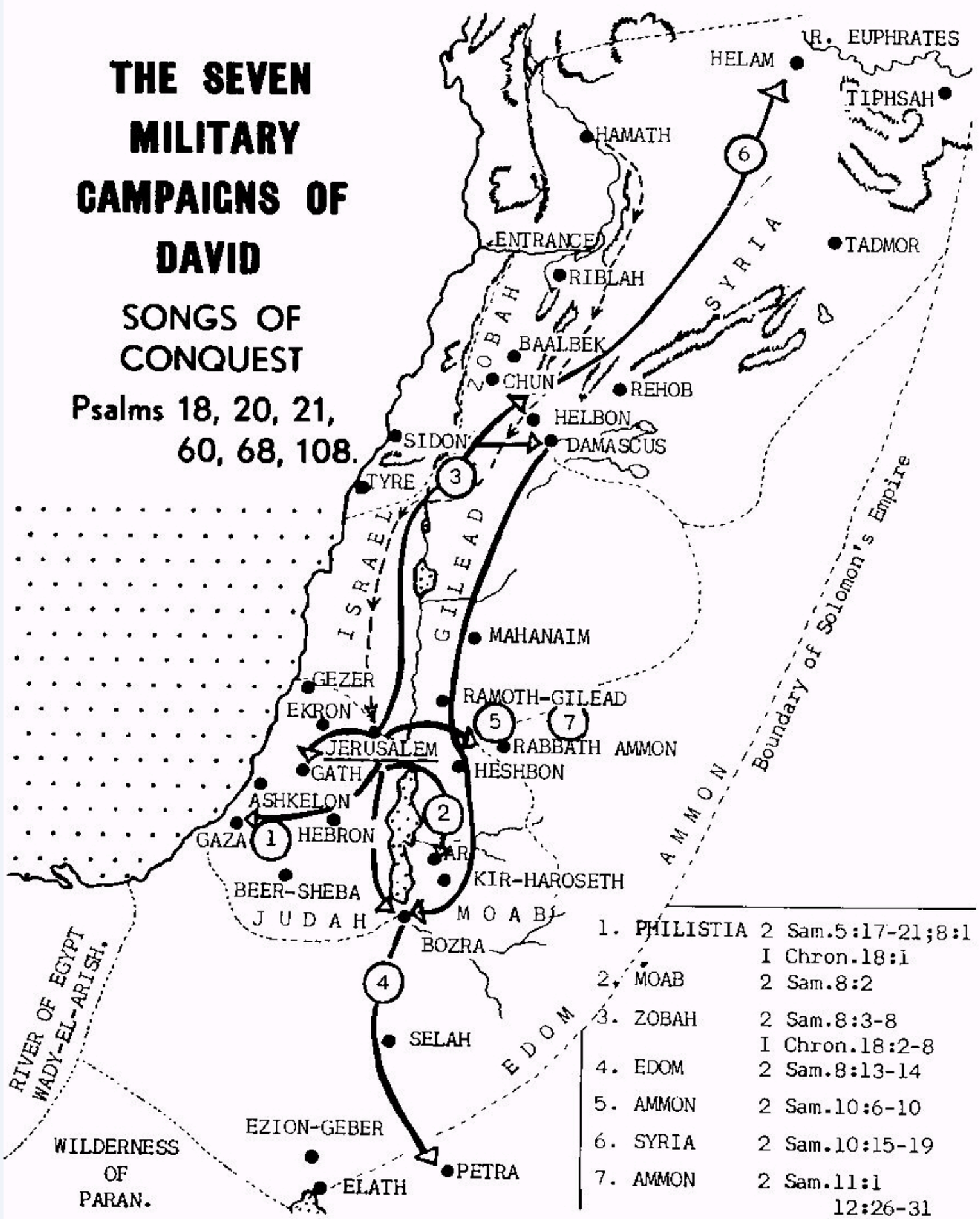
<u>Contrast to Saul</u>

- "hast not kept that which the LORD commanded " 1Sa 13:13-14
- "would not utterly destroy them" 1Sa 15:10-11
- "dismayed and greatly afraid" 1Sa 17:11
- drove others from abiding in the inheritance of the LORD 1Sa 26:19

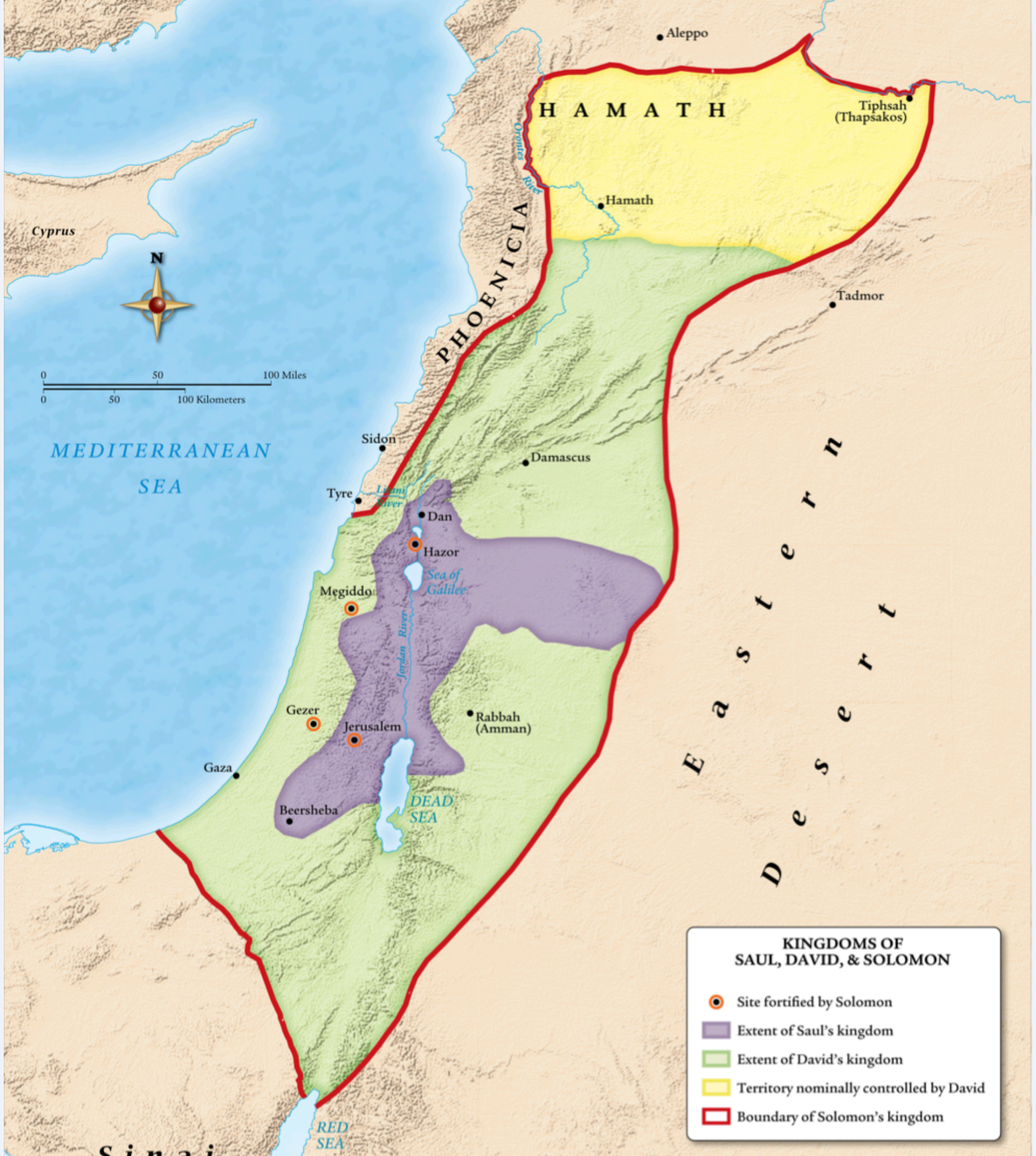
THE SEVEN MILITARY CAMPAIGNS OF DAVID

SONGS OF CONQUEST

Psalms 18, 20, 21, 60, 68, 108.



1.	PHILISTIA	2 Sam.5:17-21;8:1 I Chron.18:1
2.	MOAB	2 Sam.8:2
3.	ZOBAH	2 Sam.8:3-8 I Chron.18:2-8
4.	EDOM	2 Sam.8:13-14
5.	AMMON	2 Sam.10:6-10
6.	SYRIA	2 Sam.10:15-19
7.	AMMON	2 Sam.11:1 12:26-31


Aleppo
HAMATH
Tiphsah
(Thapsakos)
Orontes River
Hamath
Cyprus
N
PHOENICIA
Tadmor
0 50 100 Miles
0 50 100 Kilometers
MEDITERRANEAN
SEA
Sidon
Damascus
Tyre
Litani River
Dan
Hazor
Sea of Galilee
Megiddo
Jordan River
Gezer
Jerusalem
Rabbah
(Amman)
Gaza
Beersheba
DEAD
SEA
RED
SEA
Eastern Desert
KINGDOMS OF
SAUL, DAVID, & SOLOMON
Site fortified by Solomon
Extent of Saul's kingdom
Extent of David's kingdom
Territory nominally controlled by David
Boundary of Solomon's kingdom

FULL POSSESSION

David establishes the order of….

- the Levites 1Ch 23
- the priests 1Ch 24
- the musicians 1Ch 25
- the doorkeepers 1Ch 26
- of the treasurers & rulers 1Ch 26
- the military 1Ch 27

AN HABITATION

"Until I find out a place for the Lord, An habitation for the mighty God of Jacob."

Psalm 132:5

- "… when he giveth you rest… then there shall be a place which the LORD your God shall choose…" Deut 12:10-12

THE PLACE OF HIS NAME

"But unto the place where the LORD thy God shall choose out of all your tribes to place His name there, even unto his habitation shall ye seek…"

Deuteronomy 12:5

- first fruits Deut 26:2
- tithes Deut 14:21-25; 15:20
- keep the festivals Deut 16:2,6-7,15-16
- place of judgement Deut 17:8-9
- assemble to read the law Deut 31:11 -13

THE ARK OF GOD

"And let us bring again the ark of our God to us…"

1Chronicles 13:3

Psalm 132

- v.5 "an habitation"
  - "that dwelleth between the cherubim" Ps 80:1
- v.6 "we found it in the fields of the wood"
  - Kirjath-jearim = "city of the woods" 1Sa 7:1-2
- v. 6 "we heard of it at Ephratah"

THE PLACE OF HIS NAME

“The Place which the LORD your God shall choose”

- “to put His name there”
- “His habitation”
- “thither shalt thou come”
- “ye shall not do so unto the LORD your God”

2 Samuel 6	Deuteronomy 12
(v14,16,17,21) “before the LORD”	“before the LORD” (v7,12,18)
(v17) “set it in his place”	“the place” (v5)
(v13) “he sacrificed”	“bring… sacrifices” (v.6)
(v16) “dancing before the LORD”	“rejoice before the LORD” (v12)
(v19) “to every one a cake of bread”	“eat before the LORD” (v7)
(v20) “to bless his household”	“ye and your households” (v7)
(v20,22) “of the maidservants”	“your maidservants” (v12)
“which chose me” (v21)	(v11) “your God shall choose”

“Jerusalem, the holy city”
Isa 52:1

“the joy of the whole earth”
Psa 48:2

“the perfection of beauty”
Psa 50:2

“the city of the great king”
Matt 5:35

“mount Zion which he loved”
Psa 78:68

“beautiful for situation”
Psa 48:2

“the LORD loveth the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob” Psa 87:2

“the LORD hath chosen Zion;
he hath desired it for his habitation”
Ps 132:13

JERUSALEM

"Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity…"

Psalm 133:1-3

Psalm 122

- v.3 "a city that is compact together"
- v.4 "whither the tribes go up"

FUTURE INHERITANCE

Ezekiel 37

- v.21 “take…. Israel from among the heathen.. bring them to their own land”
- v.22 “neither shall they defile themselves any more”
- v24 “David my servant shall be king over them”
- v.25 “they shall dwell therein forever”
- v.26 “I will set my sanctuary in the midst”
- v.28 “and the heathen shall know”

Thy people also shall be all righteous:
They shall inherit the land for ever,
The branch of my planting, the work of my hands, that I may be glorified.

Isaiah 60:21