

# 1 & 2 Samuel Series

## Lesson #049

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THE BATTLE IS THE LORD'S

WATCH YOUR MOUTH

1 SAMUEL 14:15-46



SEA

10 20 Miles  
20 Kilometers

Megiddo Shunem  
Taanach Jezreel Beth-shan

Mt. Gilboa

Ibleam Bezek  
Socoh Tirzah

Jordan River  
Jabesh-gilead

Shechem  
Shiloh

Jabbok River  
Mahanaim

Aphek

Bethel

AMMON  
Rabbah (Amman)

Mizpah

Shittim  
Gilgal

Heshbon

Aijalon

Ramah

Ashdod

Ekron

Jebus

PHILISTIA

Gath

Bethlehem

Wilderness of Judah

DEAD SEA

Dibon

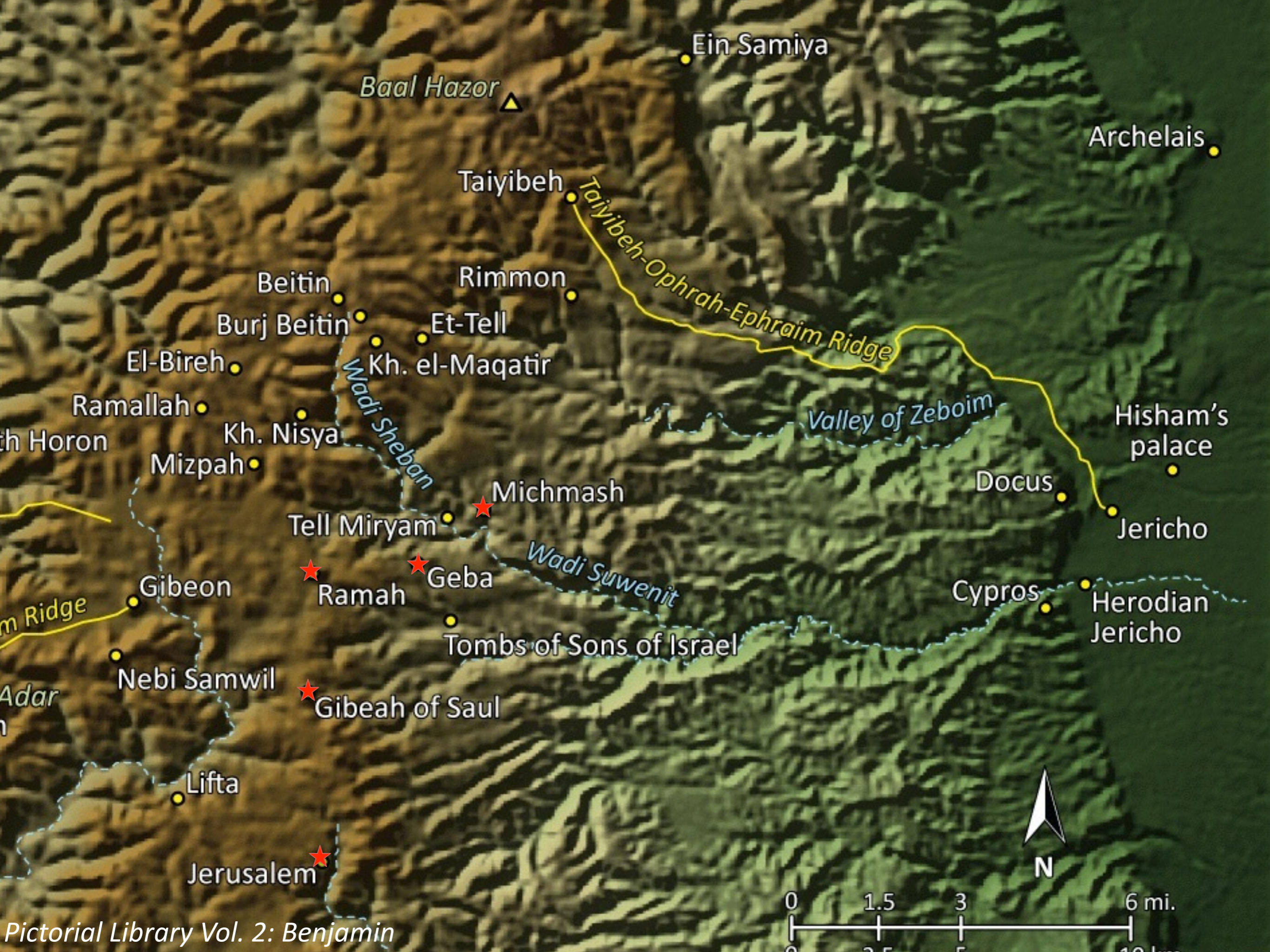
Arnon River

Ziklag

Engedi

MOAB

S E R N



Ein Samiya

Baal Hazor

Archelais

Taiyibeh

Taiyibeh-Ophrah-Ephraim Ridge

Beitin

Rimmon

Burj Beitin

Et-Tell

El-Bireh

Kh. el-Maqatir

Valley of Zeboim

Hisham's palace

Ramallah

Kh. Nisya

Docus

th Horon

Mizpah

Michmash

Jericho

Tell Miryam

Wadi Suwenit

Cypros

Herodian Jericho

m Ridge

Gibeon

Ramah

Geba

Tombs of Sons of Israel

Adar

Nebi Samwil

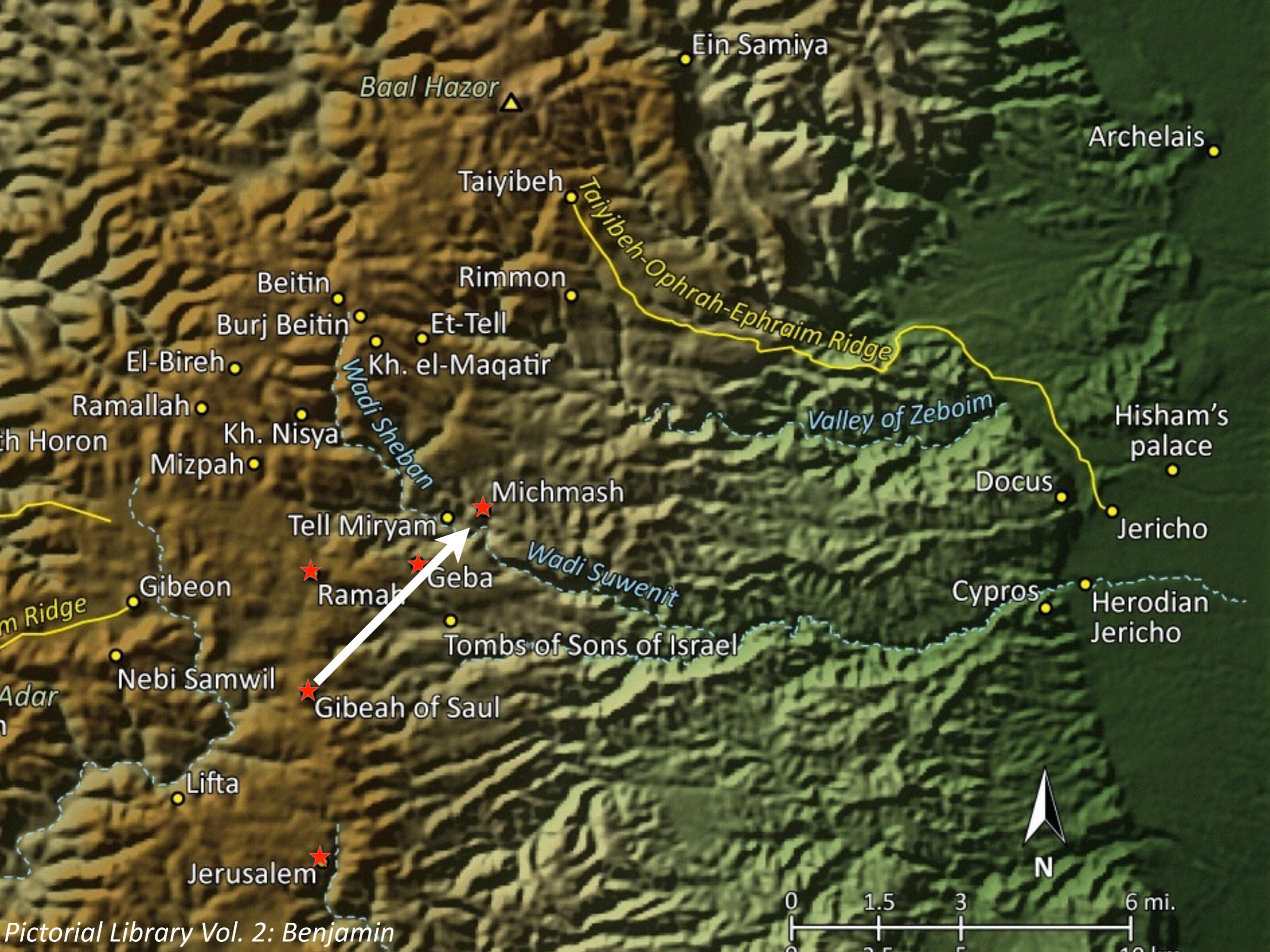
Gibeah of Saul

Lifta

Jerusalem



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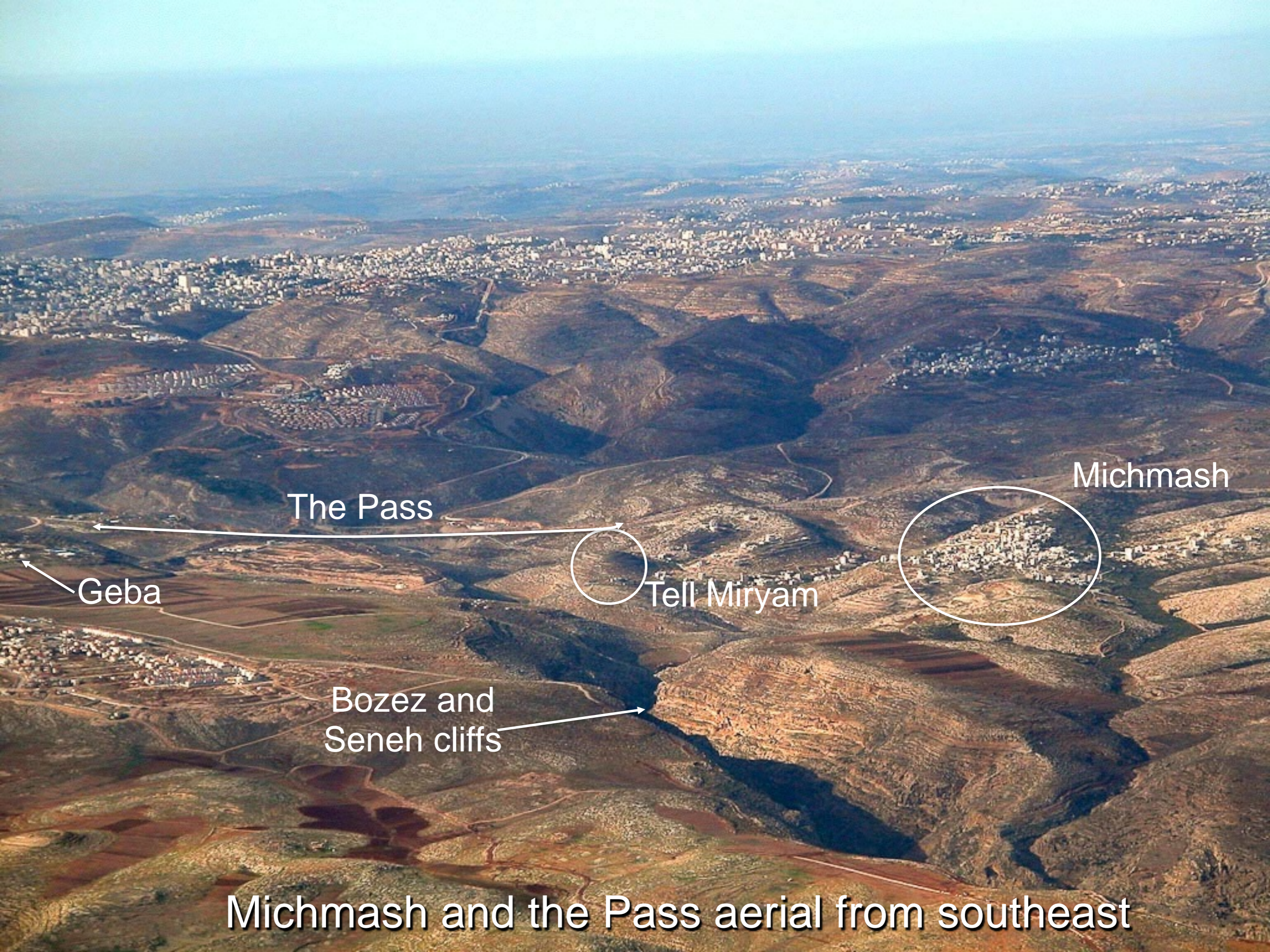
MAALE MICHMASH

GEBA

Geba from Gibeah of Saul  
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Michmash and the Pass aerial from southeast



Michmash

The Pass

Tell Miryam

Geba

Bozez and  
Seneh cliffs

Michmash and the Pass aerial from southeast





Sharon Plain

Shechem

Sukkoth

Jabbok R.

Mahanaim

GILEAD

7

Aphek

HILL COUNTRY

EPHRAIM

Jordan River

Land of Shual

Ophrah

The garrison of the Philistines went out to The Pass of Michmash (1 Sam 13:23)

Beth-aven?

Bethel?

Lower Beth-horon

4

Mizpah

Michmash

Zebolm Valley

1

Ramah

Gibeon

Geba

W. Suwenit

3

Gilgal?

THE PASS

Aljalono

Givath-elohim?

Gibeah

Jebus

Jerusalem

PHILISTINES

Beth-shemesh

Bethlehem

JUDAH

Salt Sea

DAVID

SAUL against AMALEK

6

5

MOAB ↓ EDOM

Ziklag

Adullam

Azekah

Gath

ppa

Yarkon River

AM



Geba

The Pass

Tell Miryam

Michmash

Bozez and Seneh cliffs

**1 Sam. 14:1, “Now it happened one day that Jonathan the son of Saul said to the young man who bore his armor, ‘Come, let us go over to the Philistines’ garrison that is on the other side.’ But he did not tell his father.**

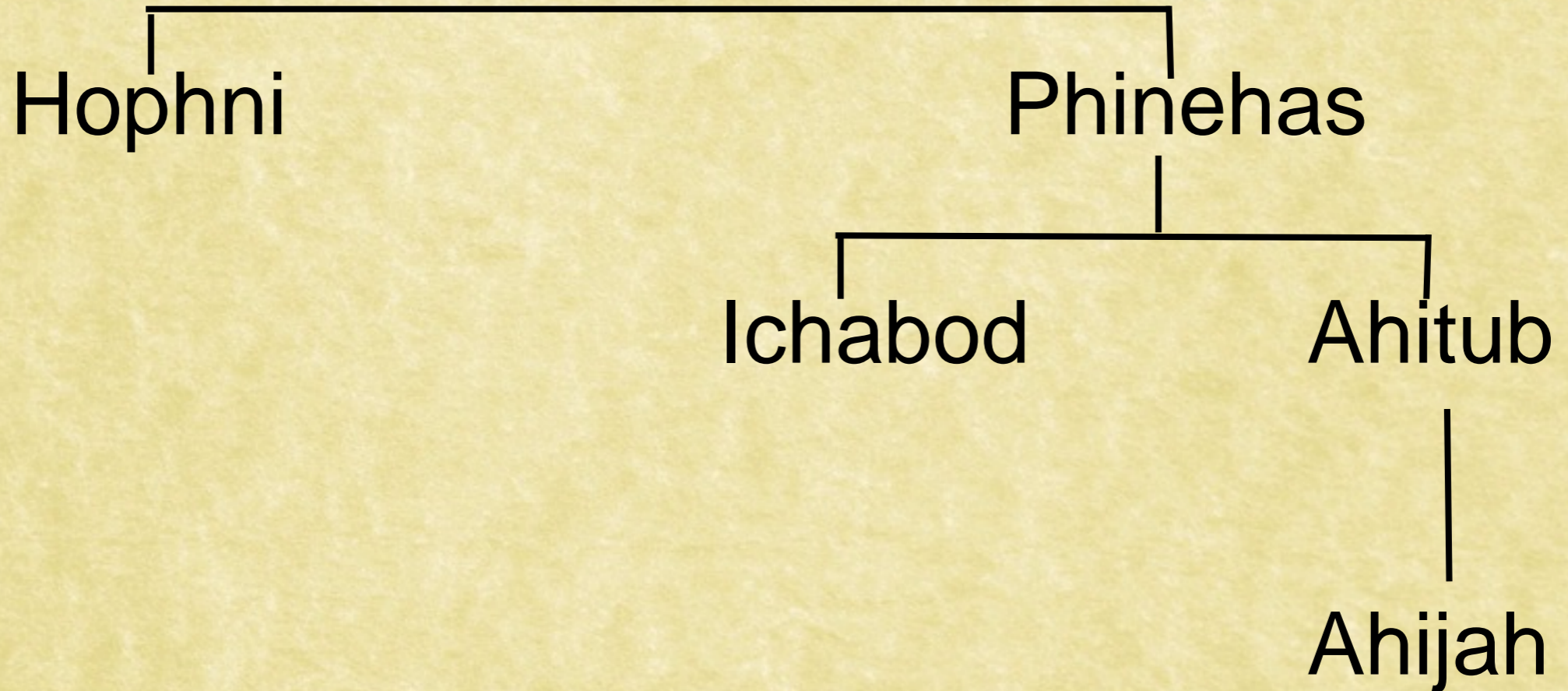
**1 Sam. 14:2, “And Saul was sitting in the outskirts of Gibeah [‘on top of a hill’ *LXX*] under a pomegranate tree which is in Migron. The people who were with him were about six hundred men.”**



**1 Sam. 14:3, “Ahijah the son of Ahitub, Ichabod’s brother, the son of Phinehas, the son of Eli, the LORD’S priest in Shiloh, was wearing an ephod. But the people did not know that Jonathan had gone.”**

# The House of Eli

Eli



**1 Sam. 14:4, “Between the passes, by which Jonathan sought to go over to the Philistines’ garrison, there was a sharp rock on one side and a sharp rock on the other side. And the name of one was Bozez (‘slippery’), and the name of the other Seneh (‘thorny’).”**



Geba

The Pass

Tell Miryam

Bozez and  
Seneh cliffs

Michmash

Michmash and the Pass aerial from southeast



Michmash and cliffs from southeast







Cliffs near Michmash and Geba aerial from south



Cliffs near Michmash and Geba from south panorama

**1 Sam. 14:6, “Then Jonathan said to the young man who bore his armor, ‘Come, let us go over to the garrison of these uncircumcised; it may be that the LORD will work for us. For nothing restrains the LORD from saving by many or by few.’ ”**

**1 Sam. 14:7, “So his armorbearer said to him, ‘Do all that is in your heart. Go then; here I am with you, according to your heart.’ ”**

**Same phrase as in 13:14 describing the devotion and allegiance of the armorbearer. He is a man “after Jonathan’s heart.”**

## **Discerning God's Will**

**1 Sam. 14:8, “Then Jonathan said, ‘Very well, let us cross over to these men, and we will show ourselves to them.**

**1 Sam. 14:9, “ ‘If they say thus to us, “Wait until we come to you,” then we will stand still in our place and not go up to them.**

**1 Sam. 14:10, “ ‘But if they say thus, “Come up to us,” then we will go up. For the LORD has delivered them into our hand, and this will be a sign to us.’ ”**

**1 Sam. 14:11, “So both of them showed themselves to the garrison of the Philistines. And the Philistines said, ‘Look, the Hebrews are coming out of the holes where they have hidden.’”**

**1 Sam. 14:12, “Then the men of the garrison called to Jonathan and his armorbearer, and said, ‘Come up to us, and we will show you something.’”**

**1 Sam. 14:12, “... Jonathan said to his armorbearer, ‘Come up after me, for the LORD has delivered them into the hand of Israel.’**

**1 Sam. 14:13, “And Jonathan climbed up on his hands and knees with his armorbearer after him; and they fell before Jonathan. And as he came after him, his armorbearer killed them.”**



**1 Sam. 14:14, “That first slaughter which Jonathan and his armorbearer made was about twenty men within about half an acre of land.**

**1 Sam. 14:15, “And there was trembling in the camp, in the field, and among all the people. The garrison and the raiders also trembled; and the earth quaked, so that it was a very great trembling.”**

**1 Sam. 14:16, “Now the watchmen of Saul in Gibeah of Benjamin looked, and there was the multitude, melting away; and they went here and there.**

**1 Sam. 14:17, “Then Saul said to the people who were with him, ‘Now call the roll and see who has gone from us.’ And when they had called the roll, surprisingly, Jonathan and his armorbearer were not there.**

**1 Sam. 14:18, “And Saul said to Ahijah, ‘Bring the ark of God here’ (for at that time the ark of God was with the children of Israel).”**

**Psephomancy—“divination by means of white and black stones.”**