

Gen 12:1-3 *Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go forth from your country, And from your relatives And from your father's house, To the land which I will show you; (2) And I will make you a great nation, And I will bless you, And make your name great; And so you shall be a blessing; (3) And I will bless those who bless you, And the one who curses you I will curse. And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."*

12.1-3 The threefold promise of God to Abram.

1. A great Nation

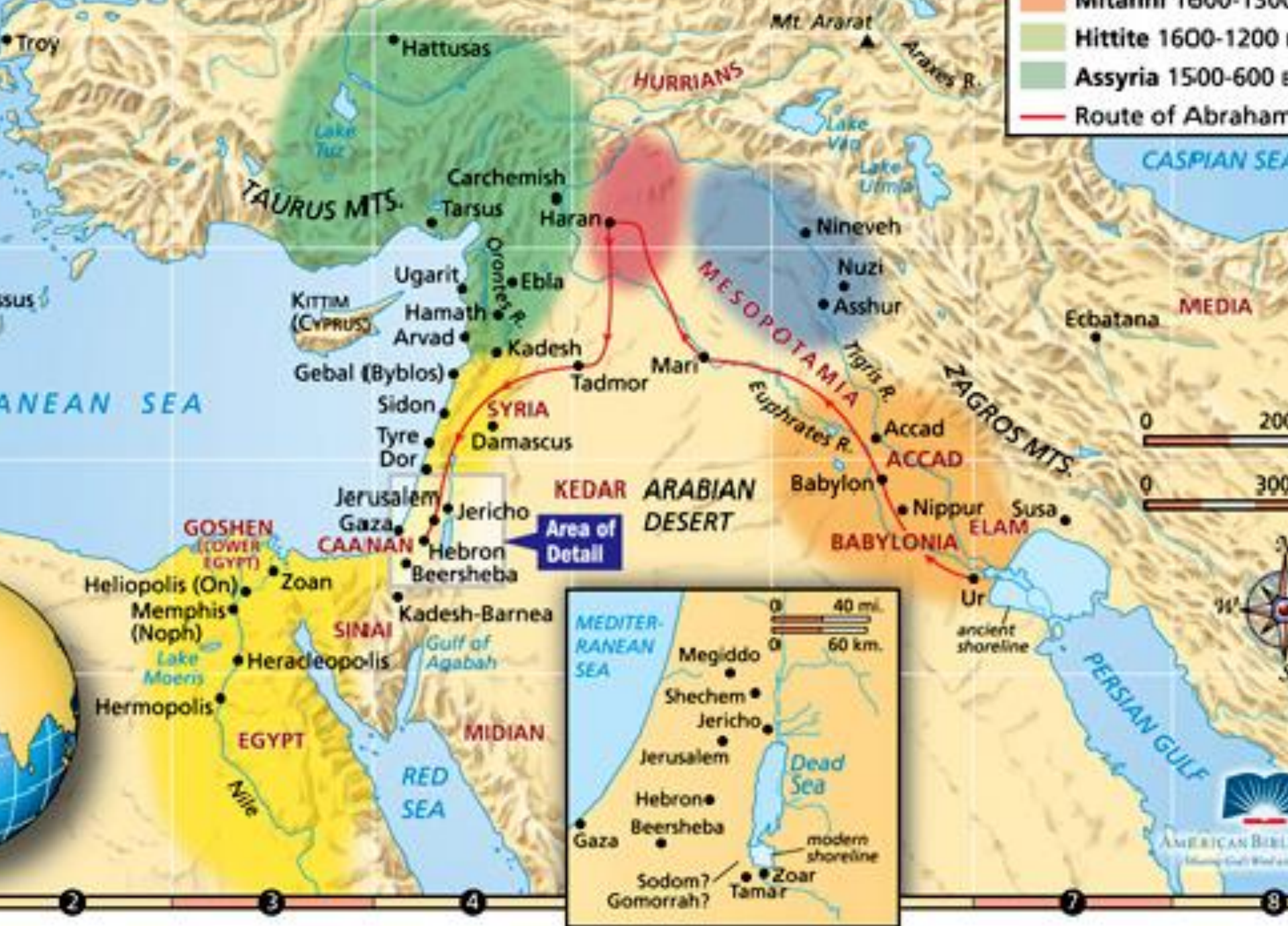
2. God would bless him

those who blessed him

all nations be blessed.

3. His name would be great

Gen 12:4 *So Abram went forth as the LORD had spoken to him; and Lot went with him. Now Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran.*

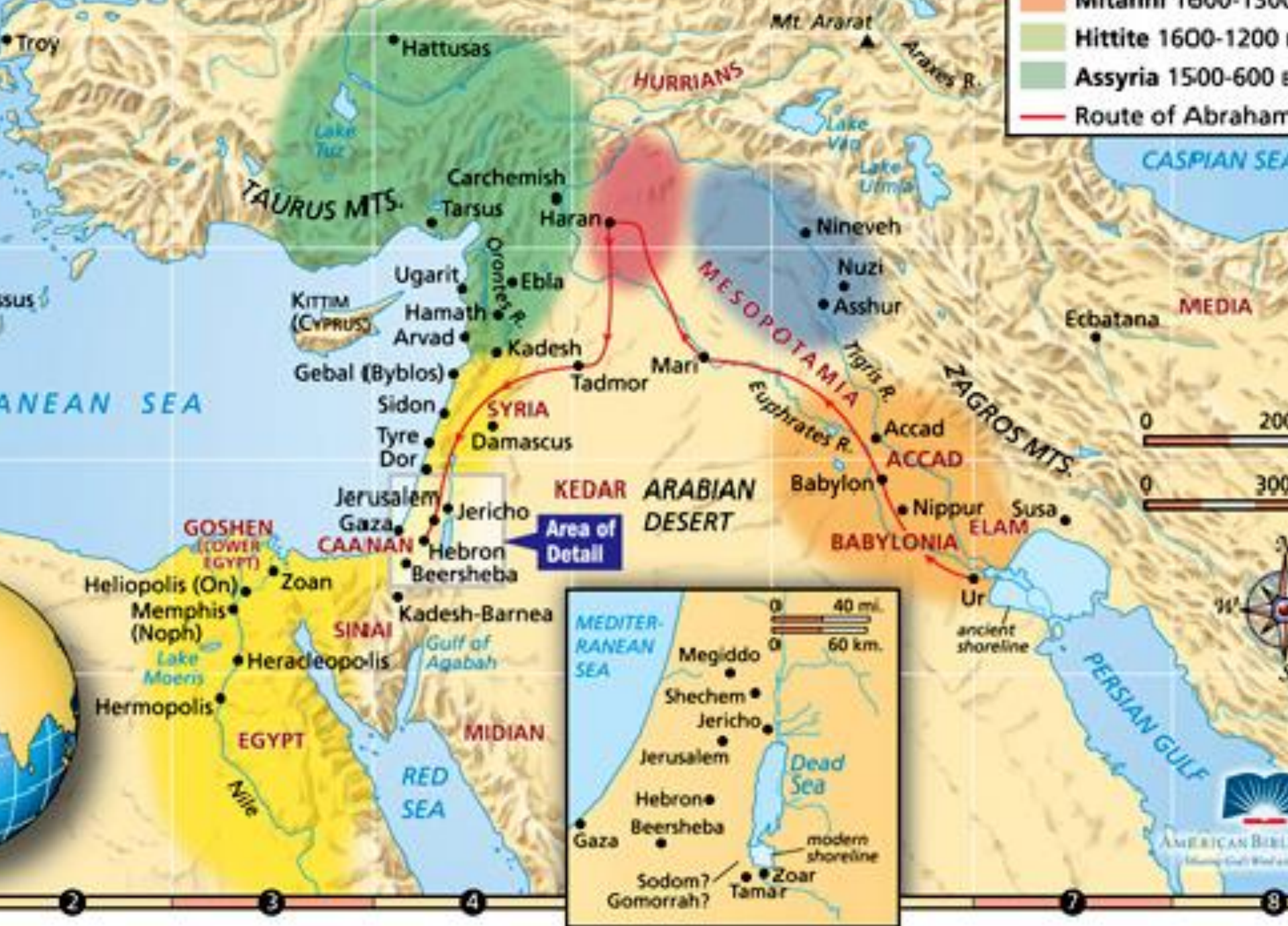


Gen 12:5-6 *And Abram took Sarai his wife and Lot his nephew, and all their possessions which they had accumulated, and the persons which they had acquired in Haran, and they set out for the land of Canaan; thus they came to the land of Canaan.*

(6) *And Abram passed through the land as far as the site of Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. Now the Canaanite was then in the land.*

Gen 12:7-9 *And the LORD appeared to Abram and said, "To your descendants I will give this land." So he built an altar there to the LORD who had appeared to him. (8) Then he proceeded from there to the mountain on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the LORD and called upon the name of the LORD. (9) And Abram journeyed on, continuing toward the Negev.*

Gen 12:10-13 *Now there was a famine in the land; so Abram went down to Egypt to sojourn there, for the famine was severe in the land. (11) And it came about when he came near to Egypt, that he said to Sarai his wife, "See now, I know that you are a beautiful woman; (12) and it will come about when the Egyptians see you, that they will say, 'This is his wife'; and they will kill me, but they will let you live. (13) "Please say that you are my sister so that it may go well with me because of you, and that I may live on account of you."*



Gen 12:16-19 *Therefore he treated Abram well for her sake; and gave him sheep and oxen and donkeys and male and female servants and female donkeys and camels. (17) But the LORD struck Pharaoh and his house with great plagues because of Sarai, Abram's wife. (18) Then Pharaoh called Abram and said, "What is this you have done to me? Why did you not tell me that she was your wife? (19) "Why did you say, 'She is my sister,' so that I took her for my wife? Now then, here is your wife, take her and go."*

Gen 13:1-7 *So Abram went up from Egypt to the Negev, he and his wife and all that belonged to him; and Lot with him. (2) Now Abram was very rich in livestock, in silver and in gold. (3) And he went on his journeys from the Negev as far as Bethel, to the place where his tent had been at the beginning, between Bethel and Ai, ... (6) And the land could not sustain them while dwelling together; for their possessions were so great that they were not able to remain together. (7) And there was strife between the herdsmen of Abram's livestock and the herdsmen of Lot's livestock. Now the Canaanite and the Perizzite were dwelling then in the land.*

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Negev as far
as Bethel

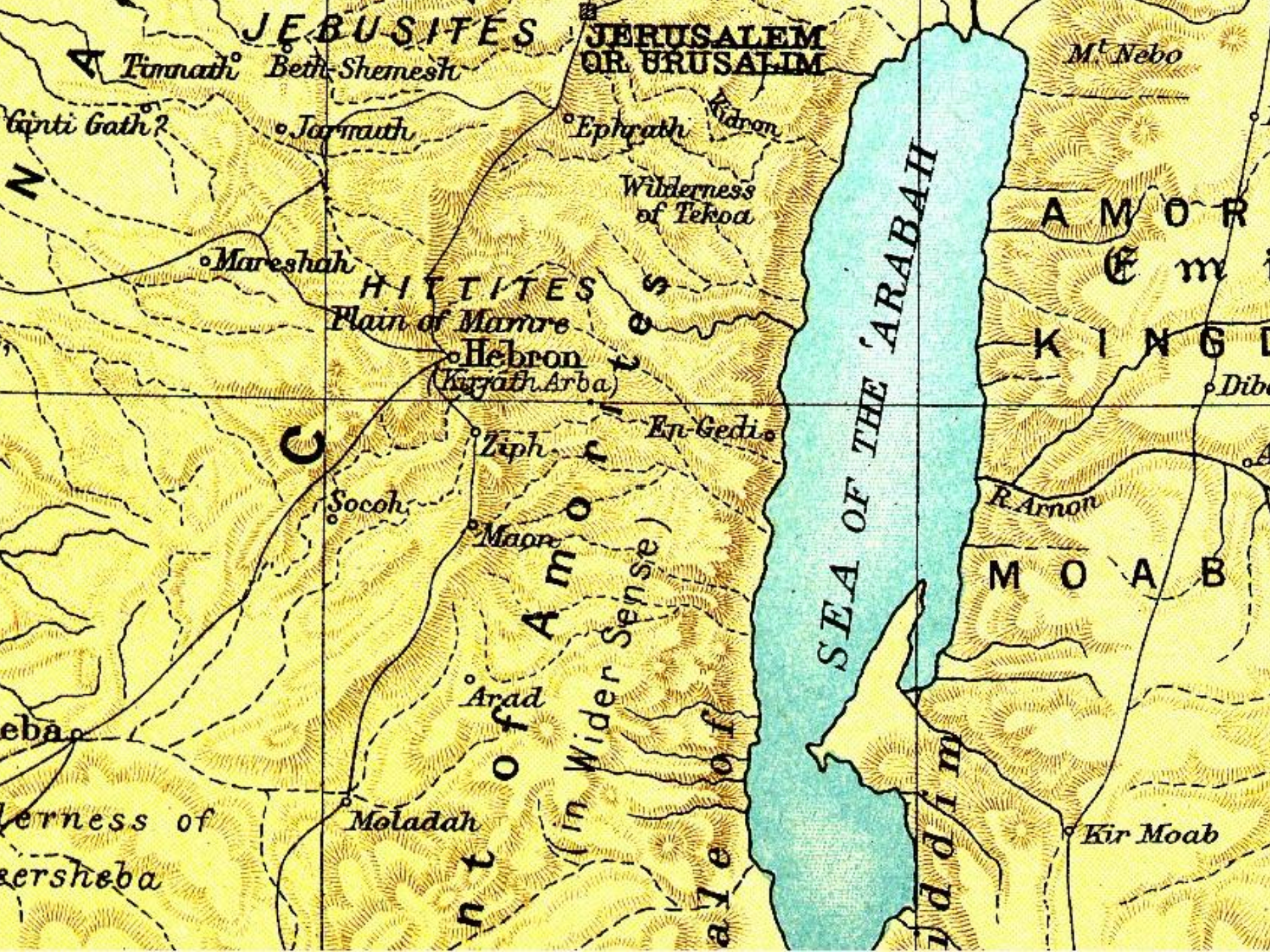
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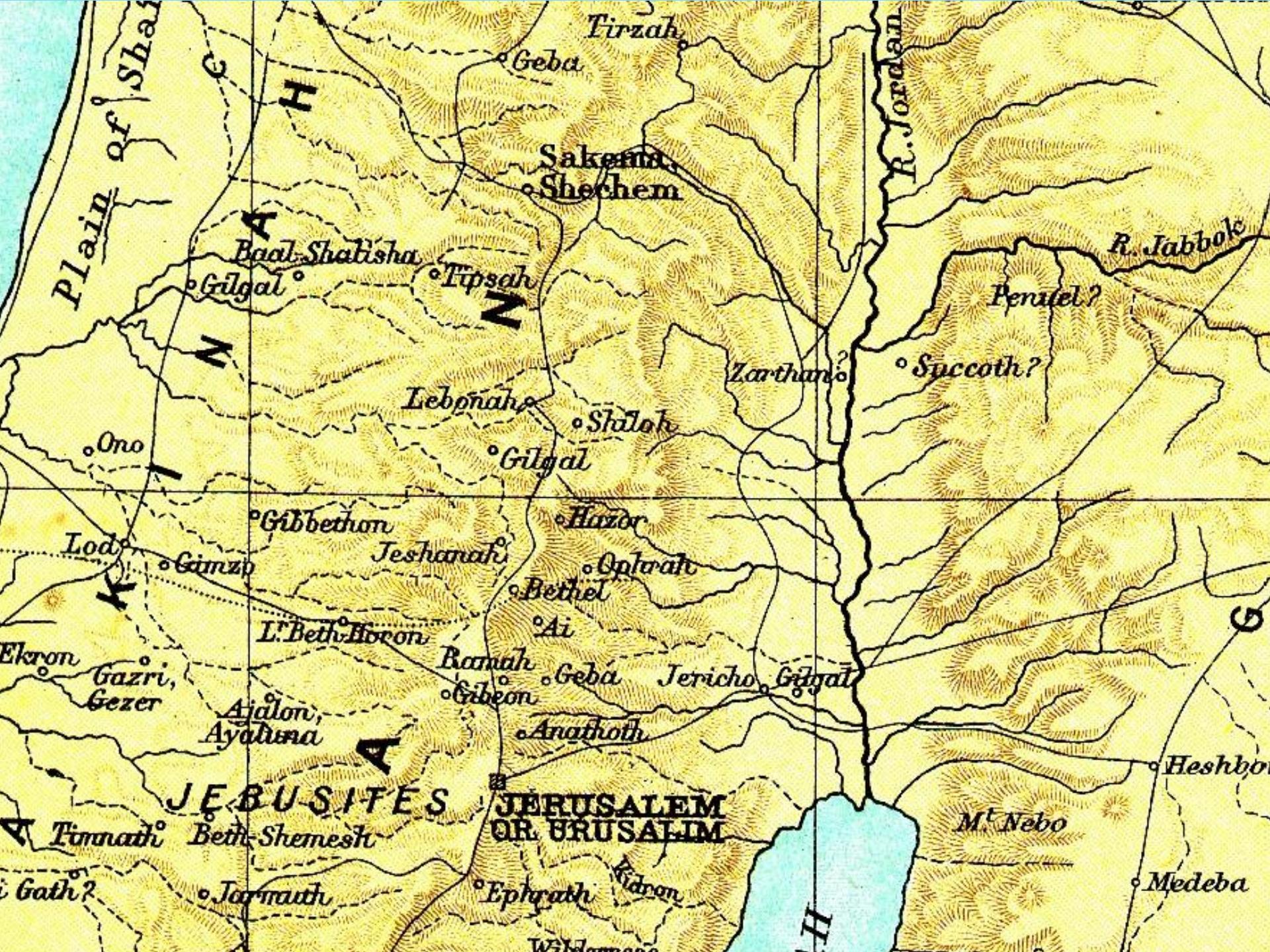
Gen 13:10-12 *And Lot lifted up his eyes and saw all the valley of the Jordan, that it was well watered everywhere -- this was before the LORD destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah--like the garden of the LORD, like the land of Egypt as you go to Zoar. (11) So Lot chose for himself all the valley of the Jordan; and Lot journeyed eastward. Thus they separated from each other. (12) Abram settled in the land of Canaan, while Lot settled in the cities of the valley, and moved his tents as far as Sodom.*



Gen 13:14-18 And the LORD said to Abram, after Lot had separated from him, "Now lift up your eyes and look from the place where you are, northward and southward and eastward and westward; (15) for all the land which you see, I will give it to you and to your descendants forever. (16) "And I will make your descendants as the dust of the earth; so that if anyone can number the dust of the earth, then your descendants can also be numbered. ... (18) Then Abram moved his tent and came and dwelt by the oaks of Mamre, which are in Hebron, and there he built an altar to the LORD.



Gen 14:9-12 ... *-four kings against five. (10) Now the valley of Siddim was full of tar pits; and the kings of Sodom and Gomorrah fled, and they fell into them. But those who survived fled to the hill country. (11) Then they took all the goods of Sodom and Gomorrah and all their food supply, and departed. (12) And they also took Lot, Abram's nephew, and his possessions and departed, for he was living in Sodom.*



Plain of Shalish

Tirzah

Geba

Sakema
Shechem

Baal Shalisha

Gilgal

Tipsah

R. Jordan

R. Jabbok

Penatet?

Succoth?

Zarthan?

Lebnaah

Shaloh

Gilgal

Ono

Gibbethon

Hazor

Lod

Gimzo

Jeshanah

Ophrah

Bethel

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Ai

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Gazri,
Gezer

Ajalon,
Ayathna

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Gibeon

Geba

Jericho

Gilgal

Anathoth

JEBUSITES

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Ephrath

Kidron

Medeba

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Gen 14:14-16 *And when Abram heard that his relative had been taken captive, he led out his trained men, born in his house, three hundred and eighteen, and went in pursuit as far as Dan. (15) And he divided his forces against them by night, he and his servants, and defeated them, and pursued them as far as Hobah, which is north of Damascus. (16) And he brought back all the goods, and also brought back his relative Lot with his possessions, and also the women, and the people.*

Gen 14:18-24 *And Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine; now he was a priest of God Most High. (19) And he blessed him and said, "Blessed be Abram of God Most High, Possessor of heaven and earth; (20) And blessed be God Most High, Who has delivered your enemies into your hand." And he gave him a tenth of all. (21) And the king of Sodom said to Abram, "Give the people to me and take the goods for yourself."*

(22) And Abram said to the king of Sodom, "I have sworn to the LORD God Most High, possessor of heaven and earth, (23) that I will not take a thread or a sandal thong or anything that is yours, lest you should say, 'I have made Abram rich.' (24) "I will take nothing except what the young men have eaten, and the share of the men who went with me, Aner, Eshcol, and Mamre; let them take their share."

Psa 110:1-4 A Psalm of David. *The LORD says to my Lord: "Sit at My right hand, Until I make Thine enemies a footstool for Thy feet."* (2) The LORD will stretch forth Thy strong scepter from Zion, saying, "Rule in the midst of Thine enemies." (3) Thy people will volunteer freely in the day of Thy power; In holy array, from the womb of the dawn, Thy youth are to Thee as the dew. (4) The LORD has sworn and will not change His mind, "Thou art a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek."

Mat 22:41-46 Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them a question, (42) saying, “What do you think about the Christ? Whose son is he?” They said to him, “The son of David.” (43) He said to them, “How is it then that David, in the Spirit, calls him Lord, saying, (44) ““The Lord said to my Lord, “Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet””? (45) If then David calls him Lord, how is he his son?” (46) And no one was able to answer him a word, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

Heb 7:1-3 For this Melchizedek, king of Salem, priest of the Most High God, met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings and blessed him, (2) and to him Abraham apportioned a tenth part of everything. He is first, by translation of his name, king of righteousness, and then he is also king of Salem, that is, king of peace. (3) He is without father or mother or genealogy, having neither beginning of days nor end of life, but resembling the Son of God he continues a priest forever.

Recognizing the power of God in giving these promises to Abraham, centuries before they came to pass, will you not believe that Jesus is the Christ and be obedient to him?

Mar 16:16 Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned.