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**ARE YOU RUNNING INTO TROUBLE?**

2 SAMUEL 2

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# In Review

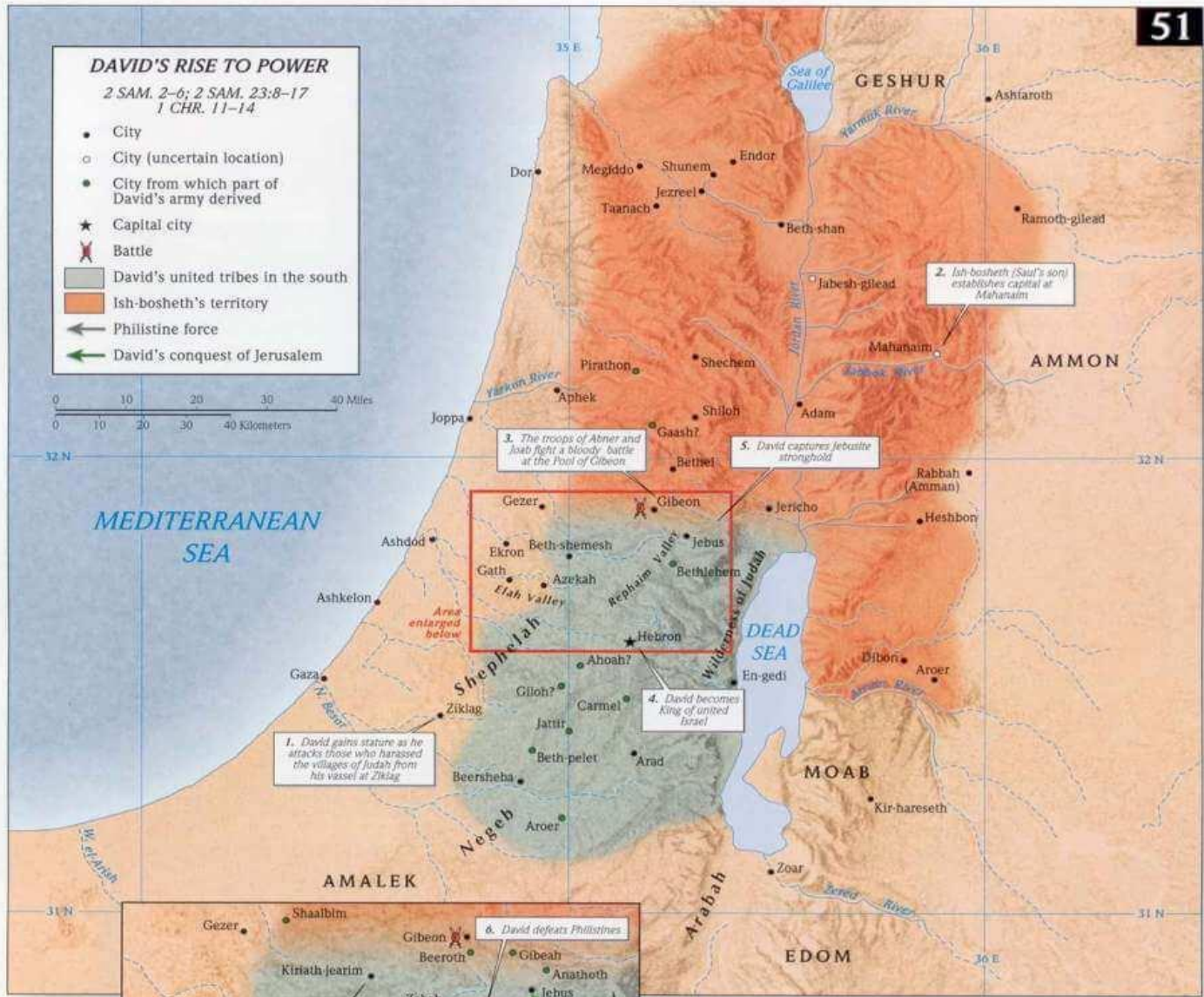
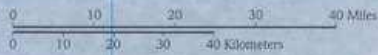
- David has been living in exile in Ziklag
- Amalekites burn down the city
- Saul and Jonathon are dead



**DAVID'S RISE TO POWER**

2 SAM. 2-6; 2 SAM. 23:8-17  
1 CHR. 11-14

- City
- City (uncertain location)
- City from which part of David's army derived
- ★ Capital city
- ✠ Battle
- David's united tribes in the south
- Ish-bosheth's territory
- ← Philistine force
- David's conquest of Jerusalem





0 10 20 Miles  
0 10 20 Kilometres

THE  
GREAT  
SEA

PHILISTINES  
Gaza  
Gerar  
Ziklag?  
The Shephelah (Lowland)  
Brook Besor

JUDAH  
Wilderness of Judah  
Beer-sheba  
Valley of Salt  
Arad  
Carmel  
Debir  
Kabzeel?  
Beer-sheba

EPHRAIM  
Bethel  
Beth-hazor  
Ephraim  
Zeredah  
Gath-rimmon  
Joppa

MANASSEH  
Mt. Ebal.  
Pirathon.  
Shechem  
Mt. Gerizim  
Thebez

ISSACHAR  
Arubboth.  
Socoh  
Hepher?

SHARON  
Plain of Sharon  
Dor  
Jokneam (Jokneam)  
R. Kishon

ISSACHAR  
Mt. Gilboa  
V. of Jezreel  
Jezreel  
Taanach  
Megiddo

NAFTALIM  
NAPHTALI  
Havoth-Jair  
R. Jordan  
Sea of Chinnereth

ASHER  
ASHER  
Merom  
Hazor

GADESS  
Rogelim  
Ramoith-gilead  
Tob

MAACAH  
BASMA  
ARGOB  
Beth-rehob

ASHER  
ASHER  
Beth-rehob

AMMON  
Rabbah (Rabbath-ammon)  
Jazer  
Mahanaim  
Zarethan?  
Succoth  
Lo-debar?  
R. Jabbok

GADESS  
Abel-meholah  
Beth-shean  
Jabesh-gilead

MAACAH  
BASMA  
ARGOB  
Beth-rehob

MAACAH  
BASMA  
ARGOB  
Beth-rehob

MAACAH  
BASMA  
ARGOB  
Beth-rehob

Helam

Helam

Helam

32°

3

32° 30'

4

32°

5

31° 30'

6

3

4

5

6



**Diagram 6.** The Pool of Gibeon—a great water-shaft sunk into the bedrock to reach the water table.



**And Abner said to Joab, “Let the young men arise and compete before us.” And Joab said, “Let them arise.”**

**2 Samuel 2:14**

*painting by James J. Tissot, 1896-1902*





**Abner struck him  
in the stomach  
with the butt of his  
spear, so that the  
spear came out  
at his back.**

**2 Samuel 2:23**

*painting by Johann Christoph Weigel,  
1695*



# Lessons

- Am I seeking God's direction for my life?
  - Scripture
  - Godly counsel
  - Guidance of the Holy Spirit/peace
- Am I waiting for God to act?
  - Don't get ahead of God
  - Don't 'help' God along
  - Don't try to hurry God's timing
- Am I following Godly leaders?