



# *Welcome to Sierra Community Church*

Text

*“Be still, and know that I am God”*

*-Psalm 46:10*

11/09/08

Gideon

Judges 6-8

# Between

Moses



Joshua - Judges - Kings

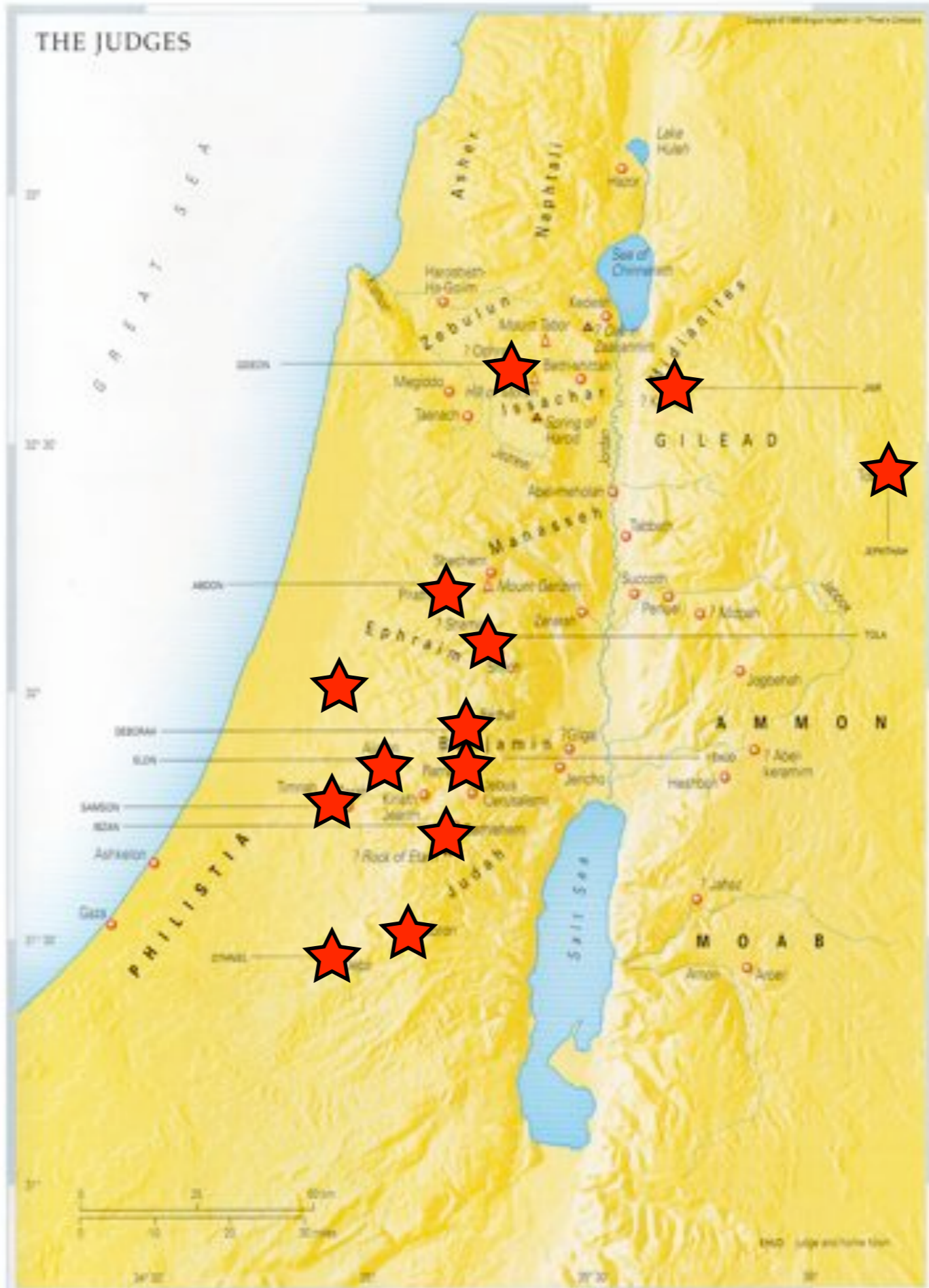


Saul

David

Solomon

# THE JUDGES



# Key Verses

Judges 2:11 Then the Israelites did **evil**  
**in the eyes** of the LORD and served the  
Baals. 3:7; 3:12 ; 4:1; 6:1; 10:6; 13:1

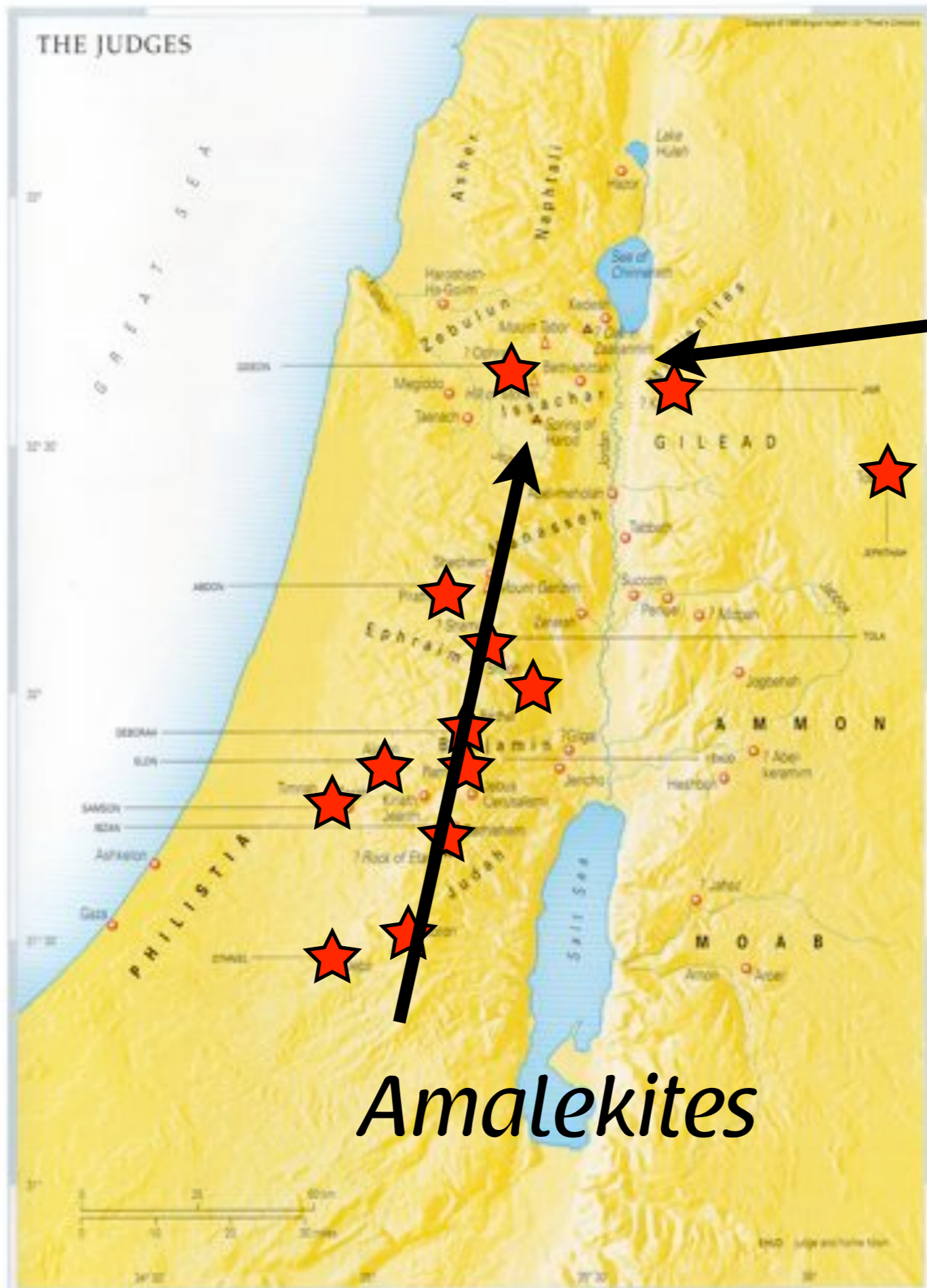
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Judges 17:6 In those days **Israel had**  
**no king**; everyone did as he saw fit.  
18:1; 19:1; 21:25

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*Midianites*

*Amalekites*

Gideon

Judges 6-8

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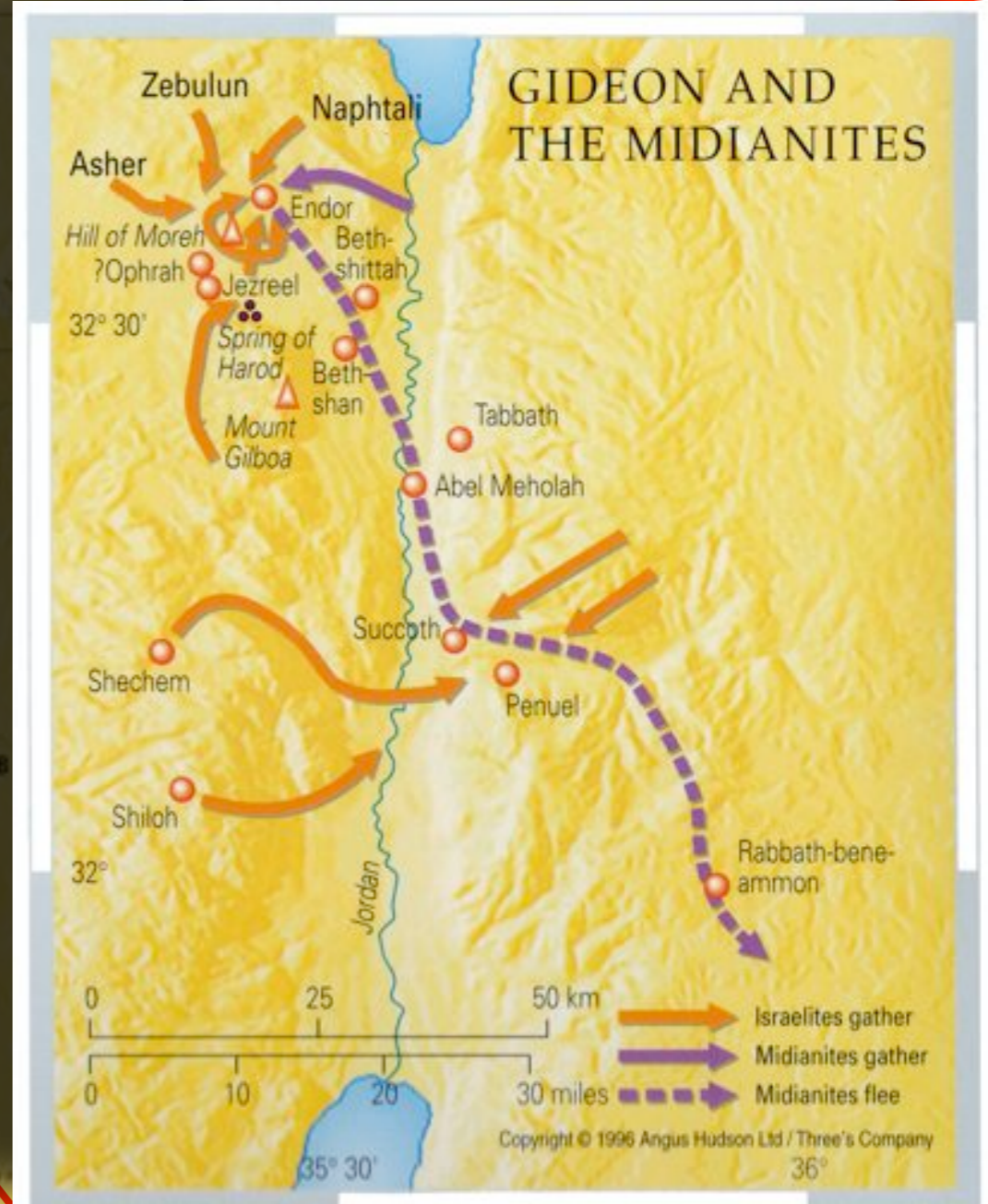
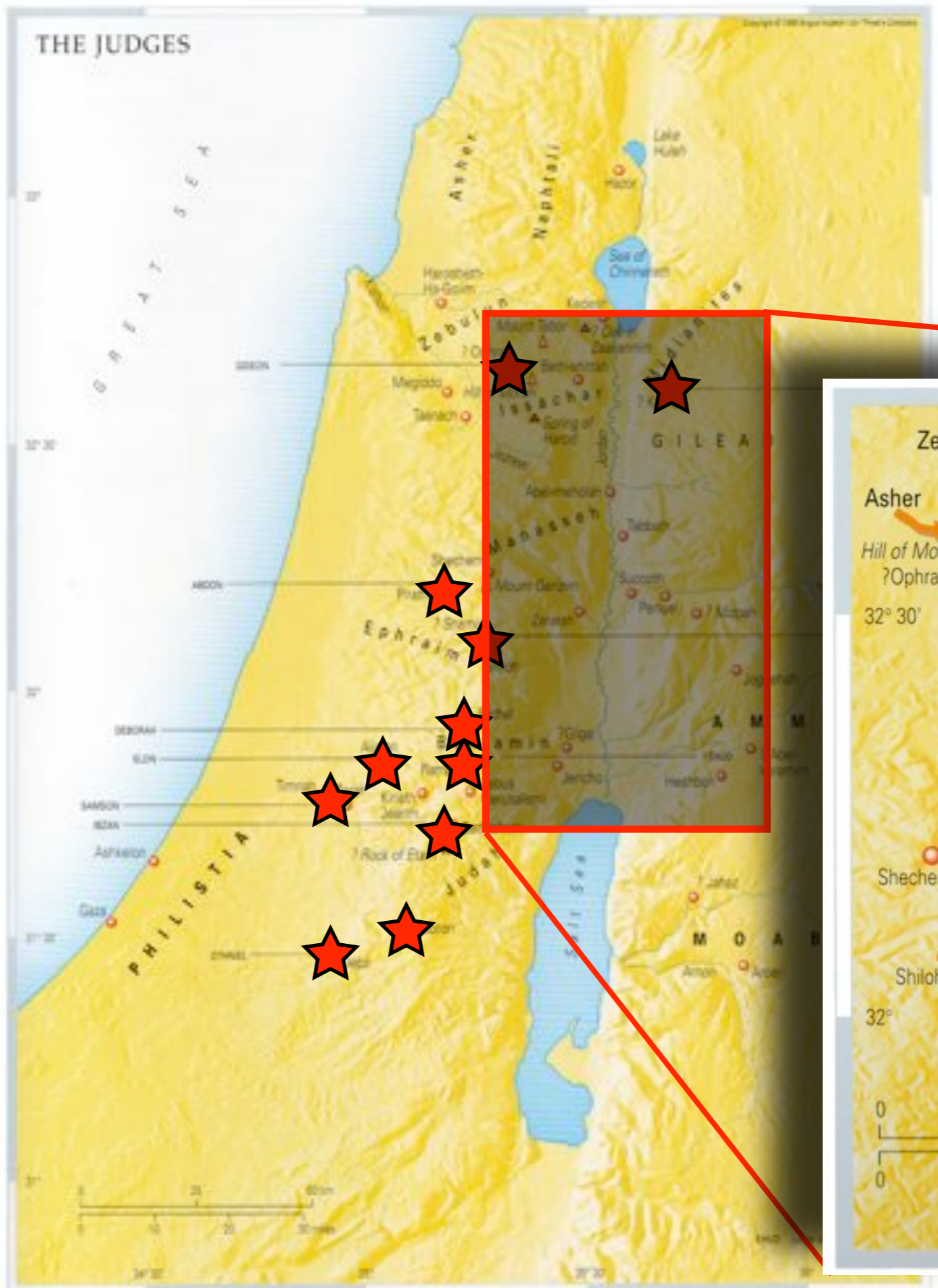
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So What?

# 1. *God is patient.*

Numbers 14:18 The LORD is *slow to anger*,  
abounding in love and forgiving sin and  
rebellion.

2 Peter 3:9 *He is patient with you*, not wanting  
anyone to perish, but everyone to come to  
repentance.

So What?

## 2. *God can use a chicken.*

Judges 6:15 “But Lord,” Gideon asked, “*how can I save Israel?* My clan is the weakest in Manasseh, and I am the least in my family.”

Exodus 3:11 But Moses said to God, “*Who am I,* that I should go to Pharaoh

So what?

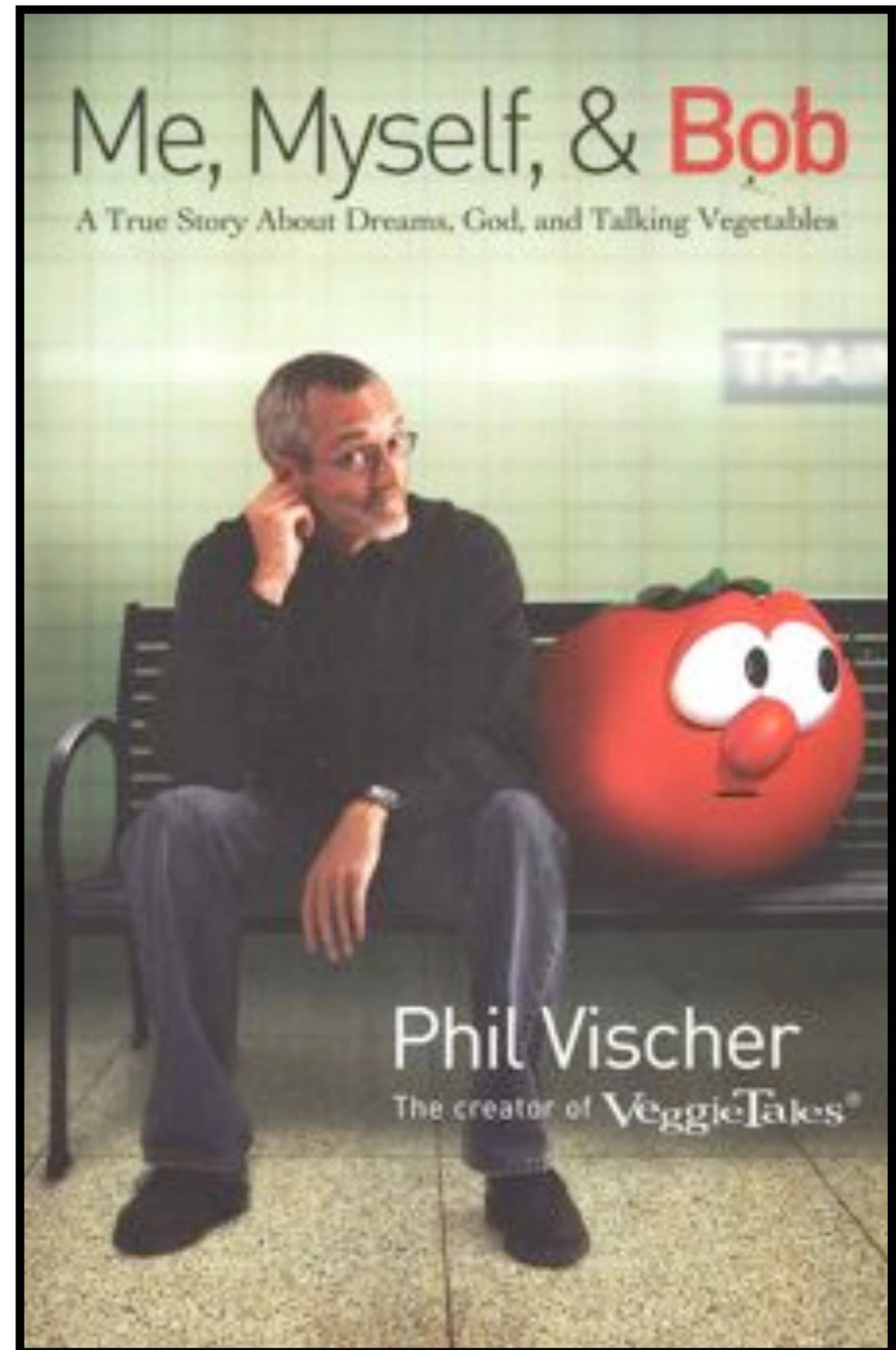
*3. Living by faith  
can be risky.*

**Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego**

**VS.**

**Stephen**

*Is God, and  
just God  
enough?*



So What?

## 4. Who will be your King?

1 Samuel 8:5-8 They said to him, "You are old, and your sons do not walk in your ways; now appoint a king to lead us, such as all the other nations have." <sup>6</sup> But when they said, "Give us a king to lead us," this displeased Samuel; so he prayed to the LORD.

So What?

## 4. *Who will be your King?*

*<sup>7</sup> And the LORD told him: "Listen to all that the people are saying to you; it is not you they have rejected, **but they have rejected me as their king...**"*

So What?

## 4. Who will be your King?

*...<sup>19</sup> But the people refused to listen to Samuel. “No!” they said. “We want a king over us. <sup>20</sup> Then we will be like all the other nations, with a king to lead us and to go out before us and fight our battles.” <sup>21</sup> When Samuel heard all that the people said, he repeated it before the LORD. <sup>22</sup> The LORD answered, “Listen to them and give them a king.”*

So What?

## 4. Who will be your King?

Acts 7:39-40 “But our fathers refused to obey him. Instead, *they rejected him and in their hearts turned back to Egypt.* <sup>40</sup> They told Aaron, ‘Make us gods who will go before us. As for this fellow Moses who led us out of Egypt—we don’t know what has happened to him!’

So What?

*5. It is a question  
for every day &  
each generation.*

*Judges 8:27 Gideon made the gold into an ephod,  
which he placed in Ophrah, his town. All Israel  
prostituted themselves by worshiping it there, and **it**  
**became a snare to Gideon and his family.***

So What?

6. Clean your house  
before you go.

Judges 6:25 That same night the LORD said to him, "Take the second bull from your father's herd, the one seven years old. Tear down your father's altar to Baal and cut down the Asherah pole beside it.

So What?

6. Clean your house  
before you go.

Deut. 6:6-7 These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. <sup>7</sup> Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.

So What?

## 6. Clean your house before you go.

1 Timothy 3:2 Now the overseer must be above reproach the husband of but one wife, temperate, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach,

Titus 1:6 An elder must be blameless the husband of but one wife, a man whose children believe and are not open to the charge of being wild and disobedient.



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