



*Welcome to  
Sierra Community  
Church*



**THE COMPLICATED LIFE OF**

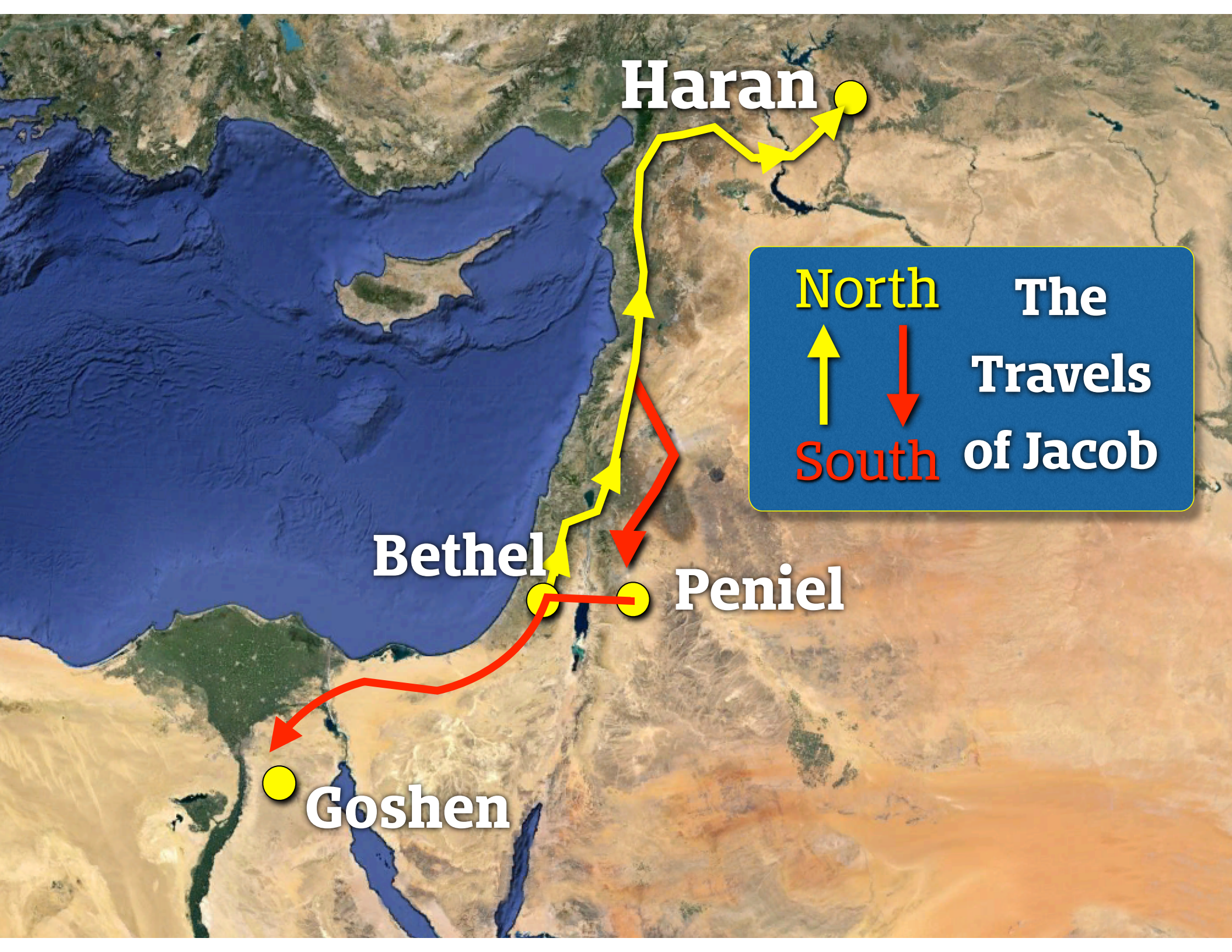
Jacob

**A LIFE LIKE YOURS AND MINE**

Hebrews 11:21 &

Genesis 48:1-5; 13-19





**Haran**

**North**



**South**

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**Travels**

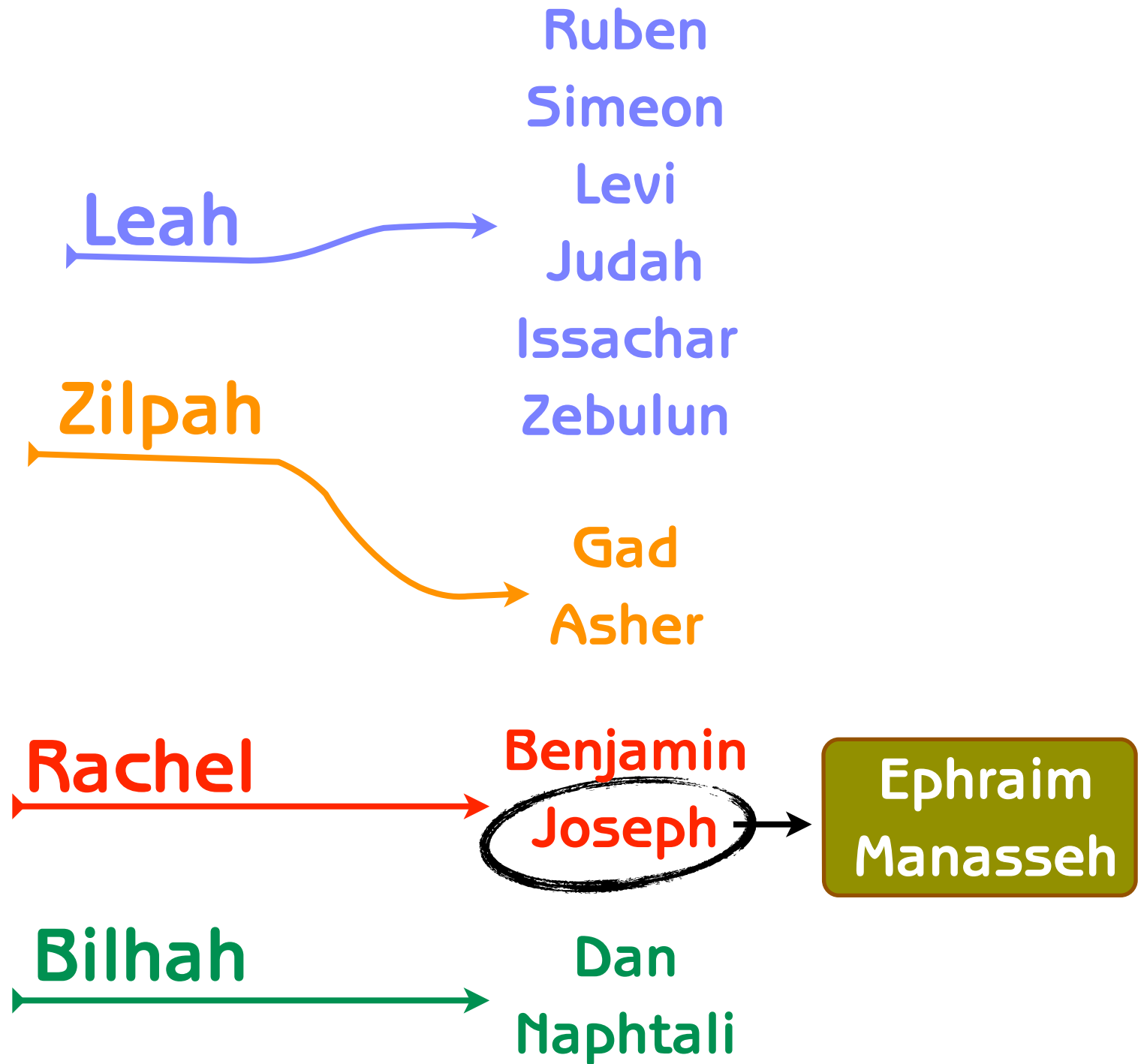
**of Jacob**

**Bethel**

**Peniel**

**Goshen**

**Jacob**  
*(Israel)*





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*“A sheep that ventures from the watchful eye of the shepherd is bound for trouble. As dependent as they are on a watchful shepherd, I seriously doubt that sheep realize their dependence on the shepherd*

*- Tracey Allred*

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*b. Jacob reflects on how "The Angel" intervened to save him.*

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**"<sup>6</sup>You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>8</sup>But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.**

***-Romans 5:6&8***





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## 2. Grace changes the way Jacob lived life.

a. Jacob's decision to break cultural custom demonstrates that his decision making is no longer guided by his own persuasions.



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aocdcrnig to rseecrah at Cmabrigde  
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you can sitll raed it whoutit a pboerlm. Tihs is  
bucseae the huamn mnid deos not raed  
ervey ltteer by istlef, but the wrod as a  
wlohe. Aaznmig, huh? Yaeh and I awlyas  
tghhuot slelinpg was ipmorantt!

**"For this world is not our  
permanent home; we are  
looking forward to a home  
yet to come."**

*-Hebrews 13:14*





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