

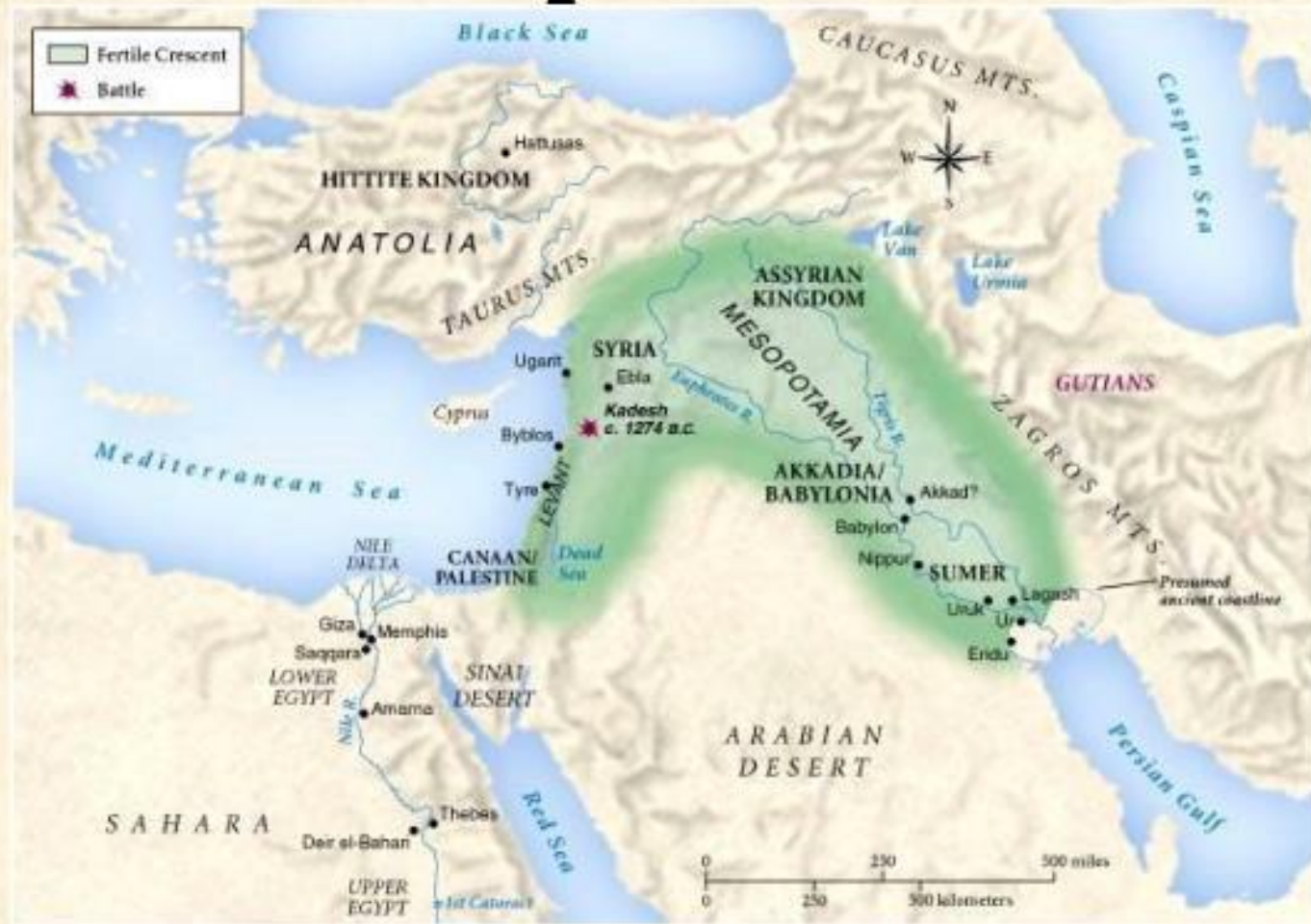


CHRISTMAS



ROAD TRIP

The Ancient Fertile Crescent



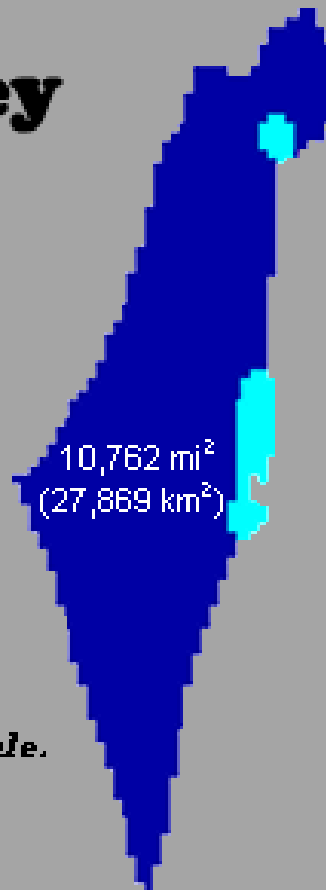
The Middle East: “The Cradle of Civilization”

ISRAEL and...

New Jersey



7,787 mi²
(20,168 km²)



10,762 mi²
(27,869 km²)

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Israel shown in blue.*

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Information Regarding
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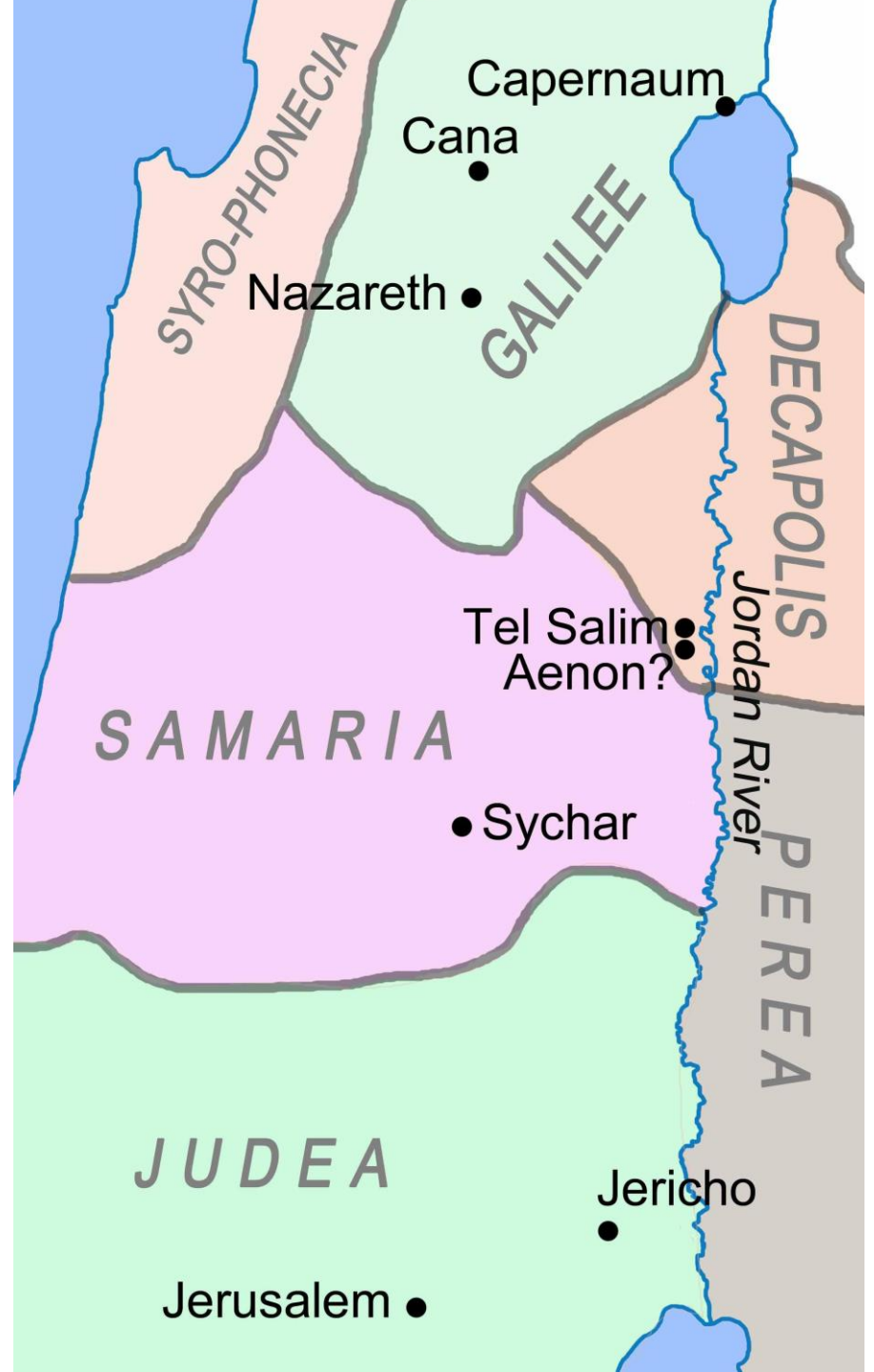
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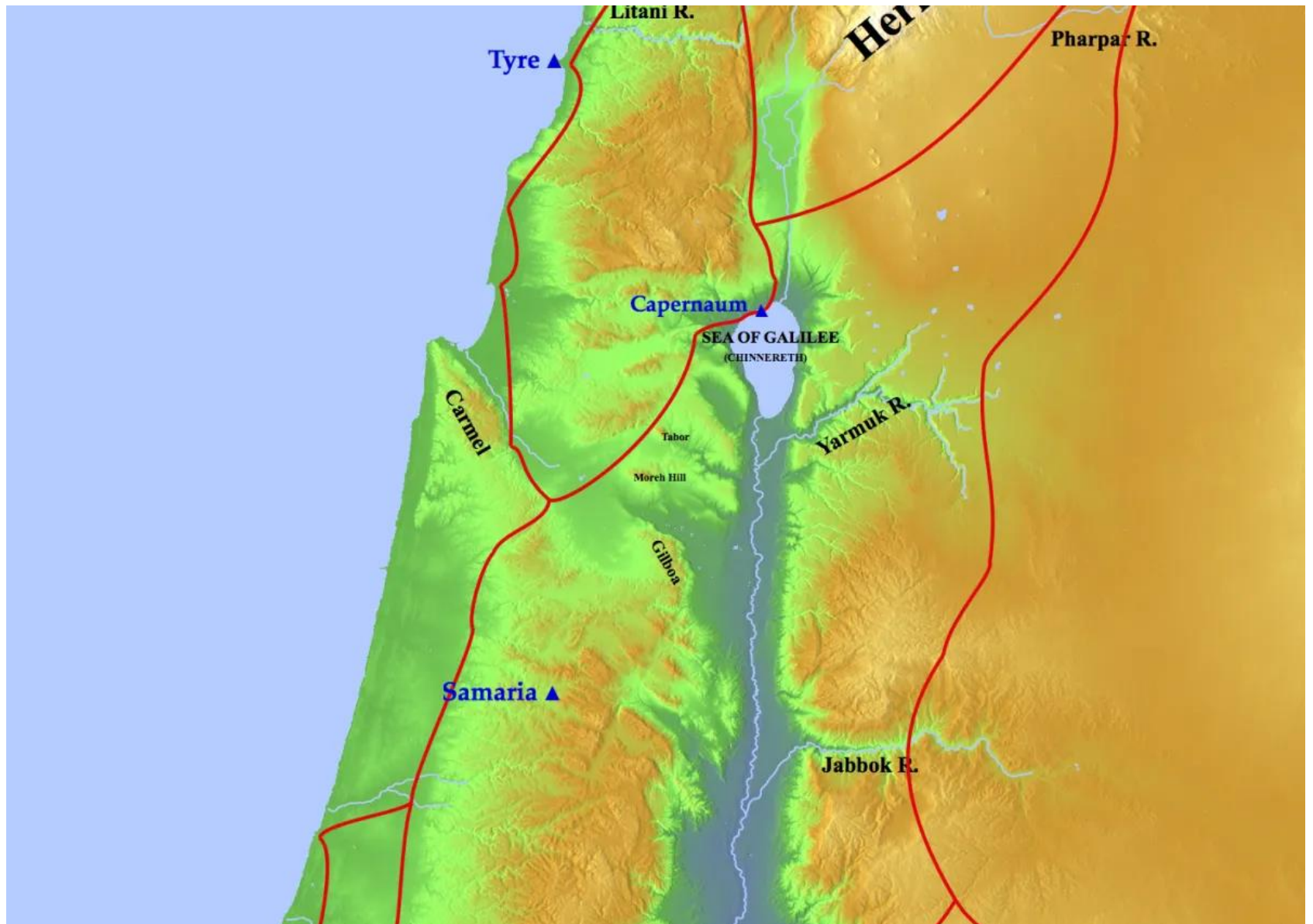


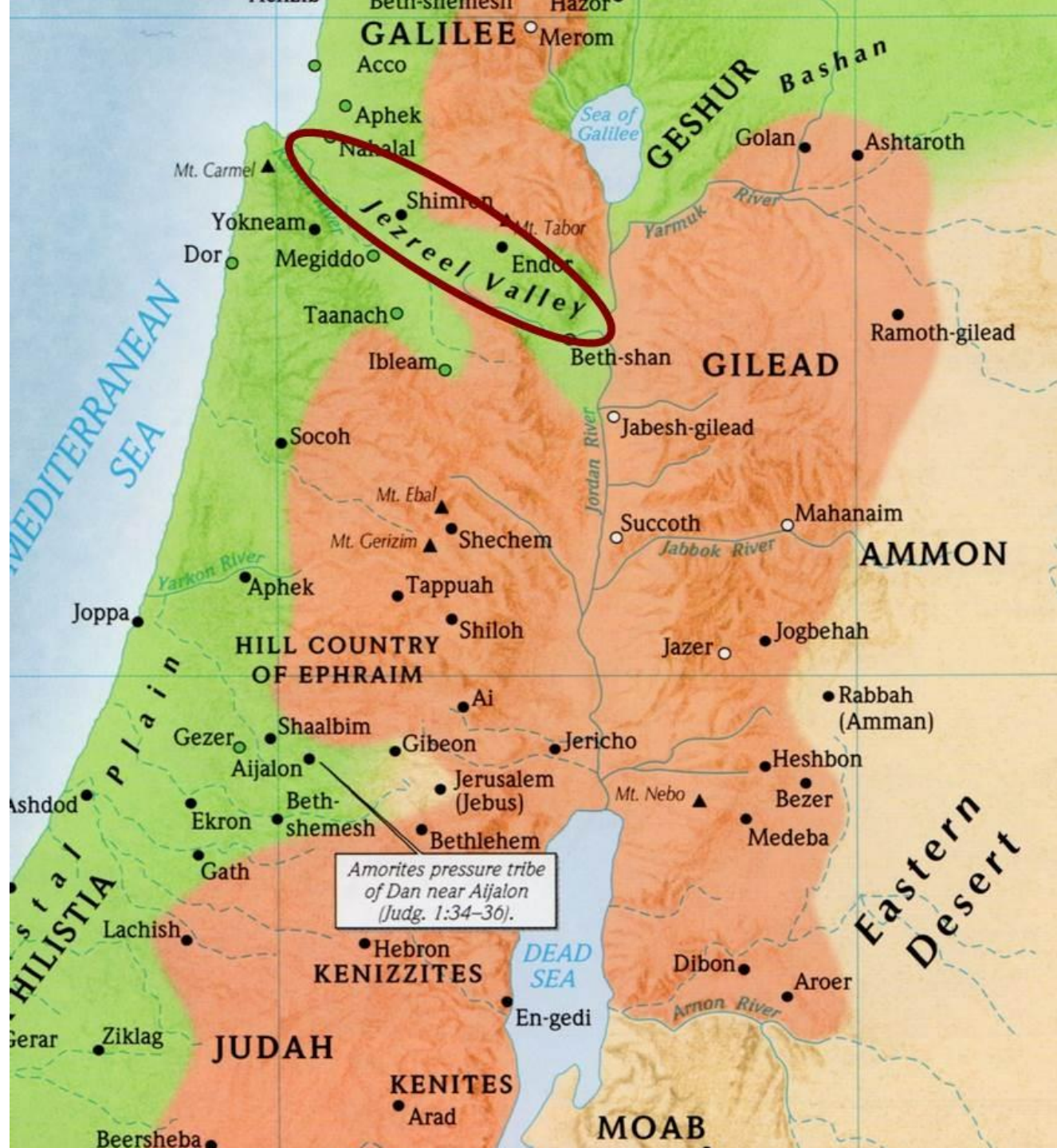
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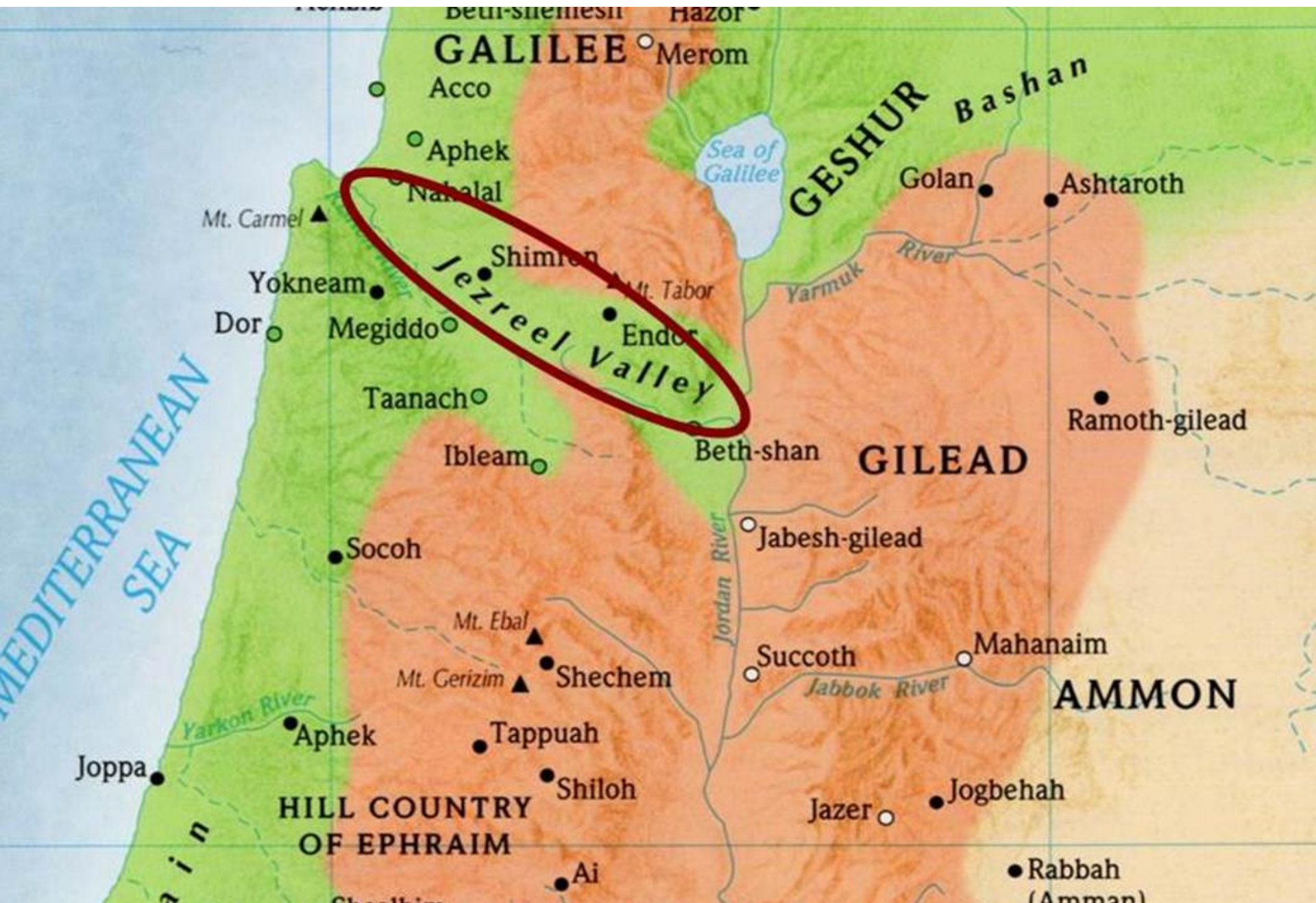
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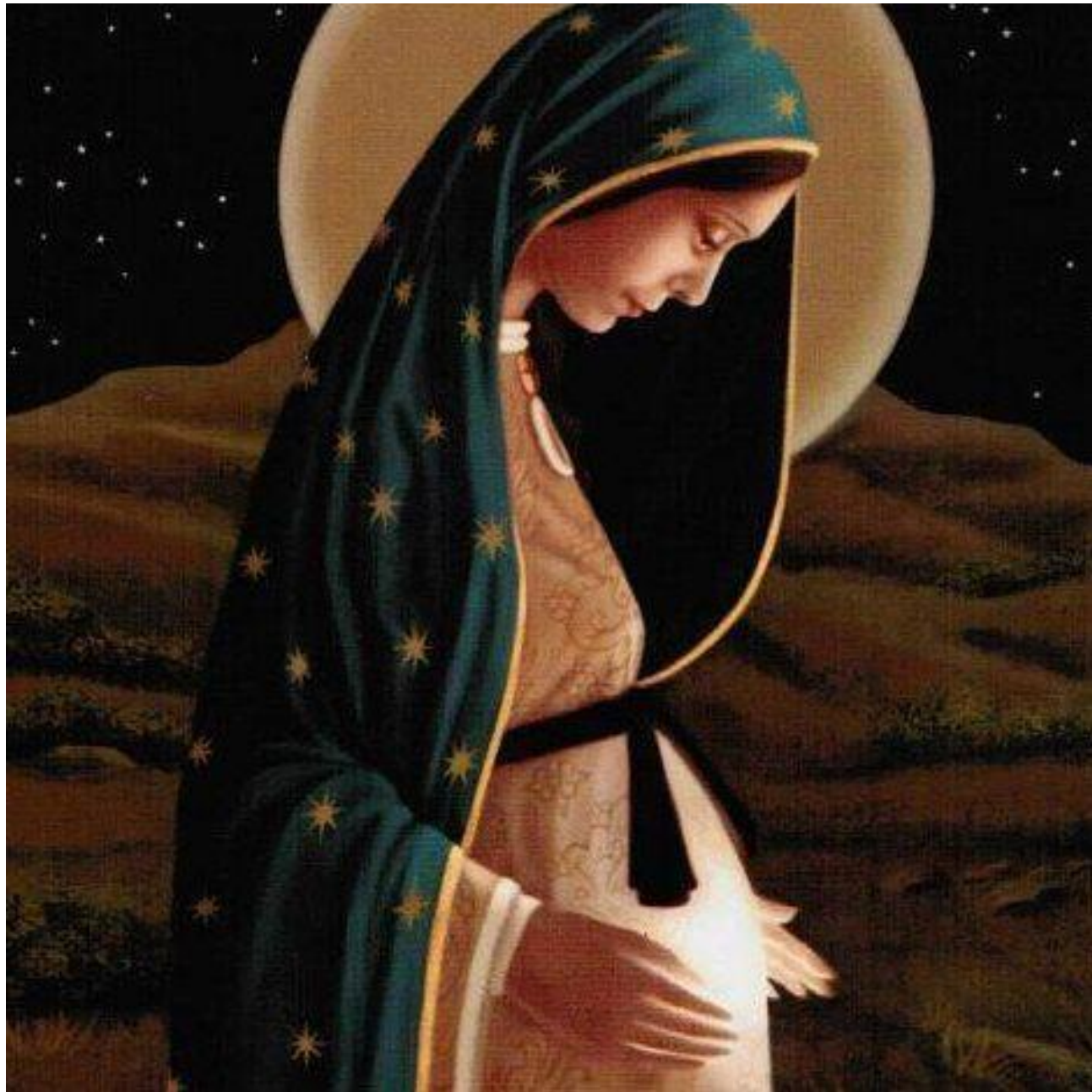


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Nathanael said to him,
“Can anything good come
out of Nazareth?”

Philip said to him, “Come
and see.”







LUKE
4:16-30

**JESUS IS
REJECTED IN
NAZARETH**

Why Nazareth?: A Textual Problem

- ◆ Matthew 2:22-23
- ◆ 23 And he came and dwelt in a city called Nazareth: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophets, He shall be called a Nazarene.



He is despised and
rejected of men;
a man of sorrows,
and acquainted with
grief: and we hid as
it were our faces from
him; he was despised,
and we esteemed
him not.

Isaiah 53:3



Key: Notice the Plural “Prophets”

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So Why Nazareth?

