

2 Sam 19-21

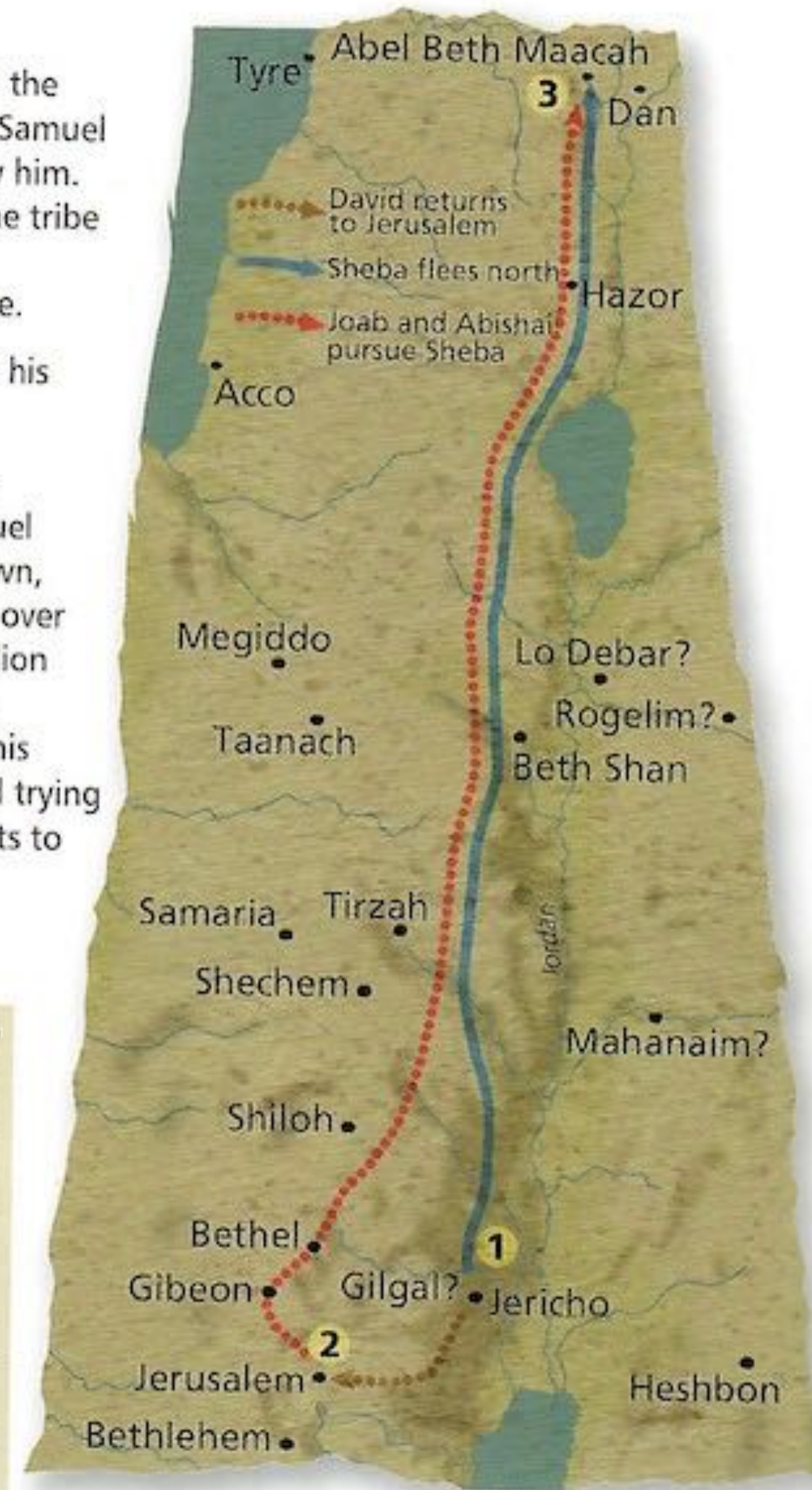
David

"David Returns
To Jerusalem"

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THE SHEBA REBELLION

1. David crosses to Gilgal, accompanied by all the troops of Judah and half the men of Israel (2 Samuel 19:40). Sheba calls the men of Israel to follow him. Sheba is from the tribe of Benjamin – the same tribe as Saul – so this was probably an attempt to re-establish the house of Saul on the throne.
2. David returns to Jerusalem and sends Joab, his general, after Sheba (2 Samuel 20:3–7).
3. Sheba's rebellion fails and he is cornered in the fortified city of Abel Beth Maacah (2 Samuel 20:14). Faced with the destruction of their town, the inhabitants kill Sheba and throw his head over the wall. Immediately following Sheba's rebellion there is an account of the execution of Saul's descendants at Gibeon (2 Samuel 21:1–14). This deeply unpleasant story may well reflect David trying to ensure that there will be no further attempts to revive the dynasty of Saul.



Outline: The King Returns 19-21

Ch 19 The Need to Refocus

19:1-8 You need to fix this!

19:9-15 Time to unite again

19:16-23 Time to forgive again

19:24-30 Honoring a promise

19:31-40 Rewarding the faithful

Ch 20 New Conflicts

19:41-43 Accusations against Judah

20:1-2 Sheba gains a following

20:3-13 Personal conflicts

20:14-22 End of the Sheba problem

20:23-26 The men in charge

Ch 21 The Problems Continue

21:1-4 Ethnic sin exposed

21:5-9 Restitution and retribution

21:10-14 Compassion after justice

21:15-22 More war with the Philistines

2 Sam 22-24

David

"Praise and Pride"

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