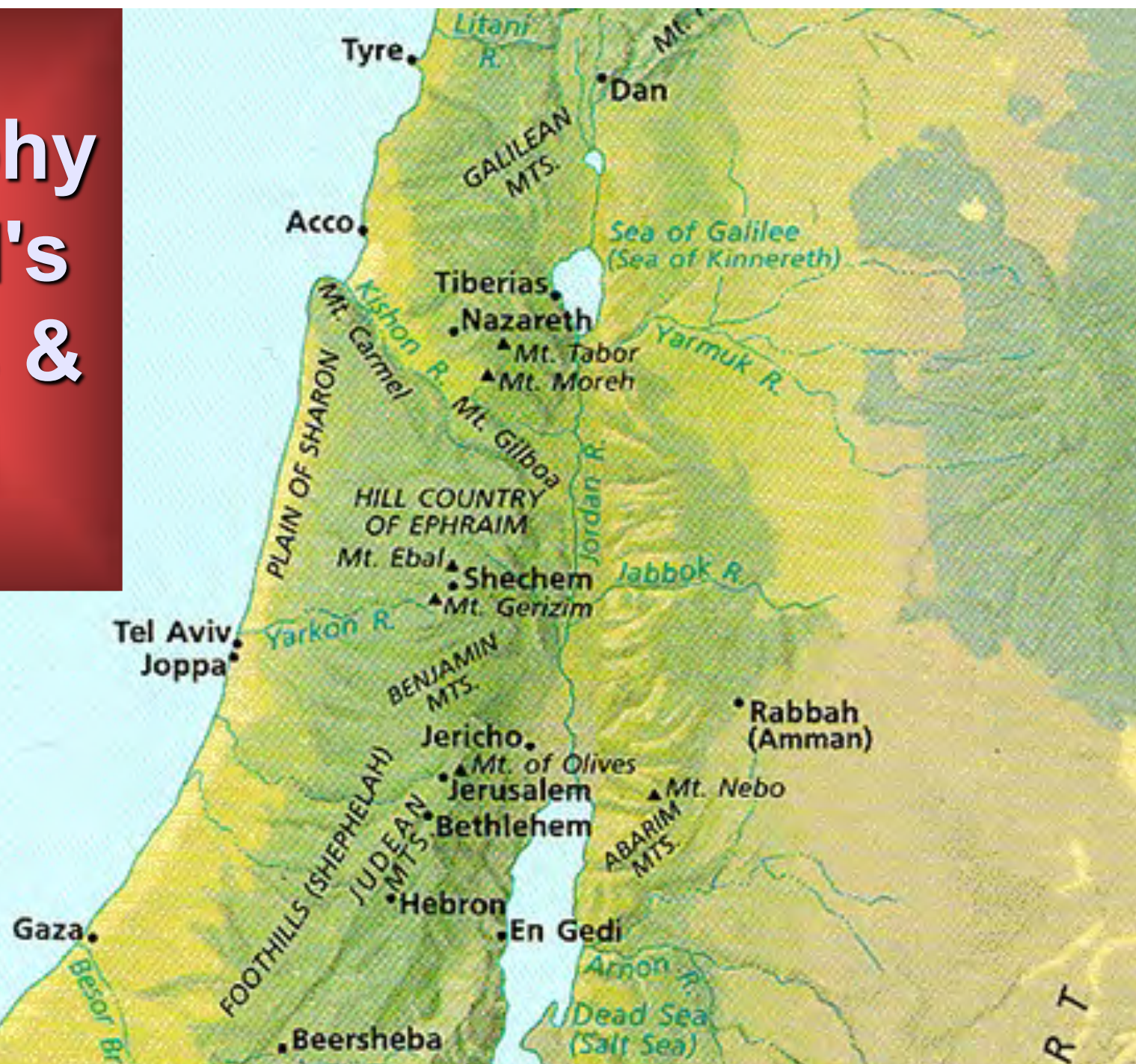


# Geography of Israel's Regions & Travel





# Mesopotamia

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Tigris

Assyria

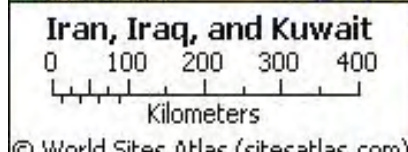
Euphrates

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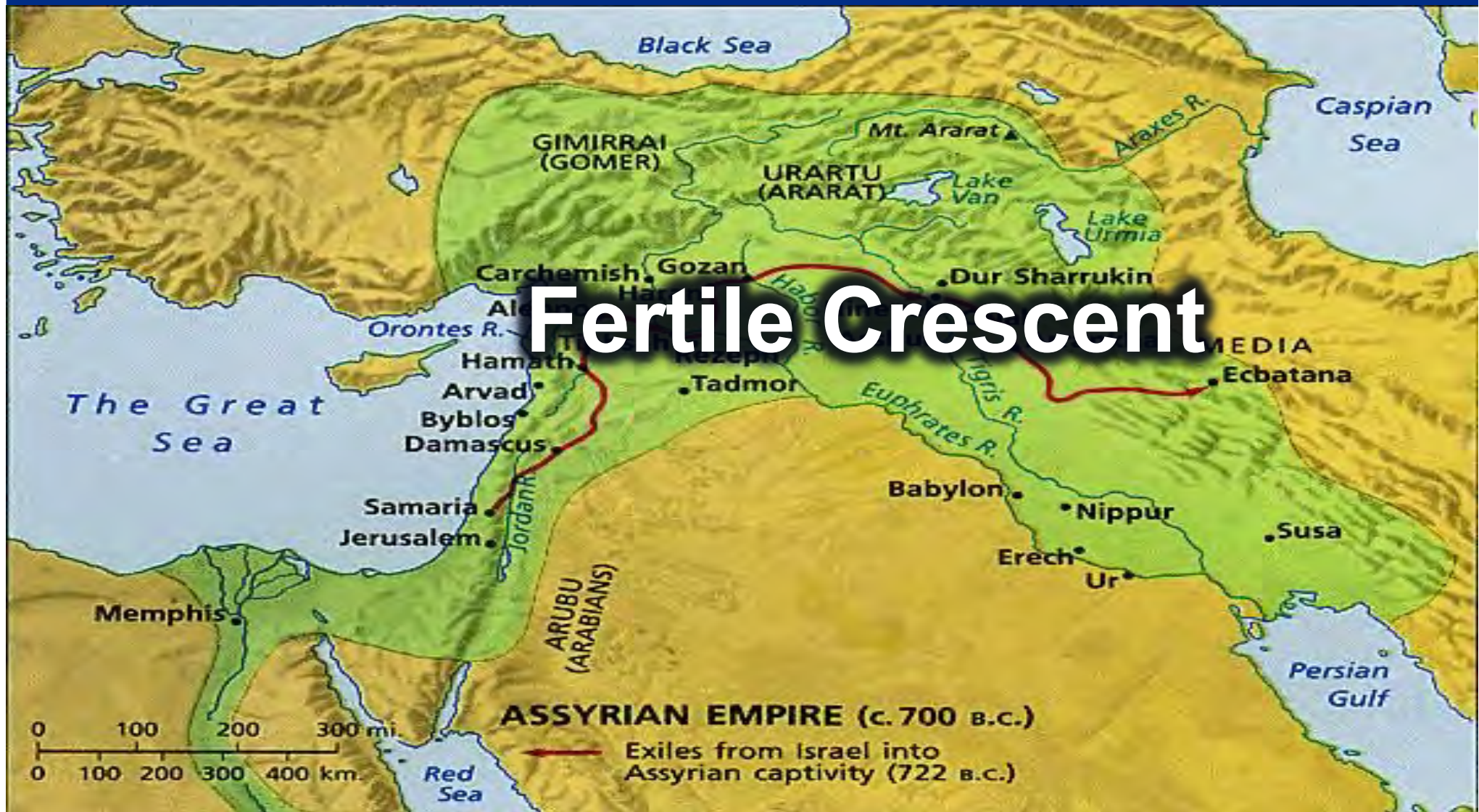
Chaldea

Persian Gulf





# The Ancient Near East





# Bodies of Water in Israel

כַּנּוֹר n.m. lyre -- lyre, stringed instrument used for popular as well as sacred music (B4604)

כַּנּוֹת



NT: Sea of Galilee

The Great Sea



Nahal Senir, one of the sources of the Jordan River

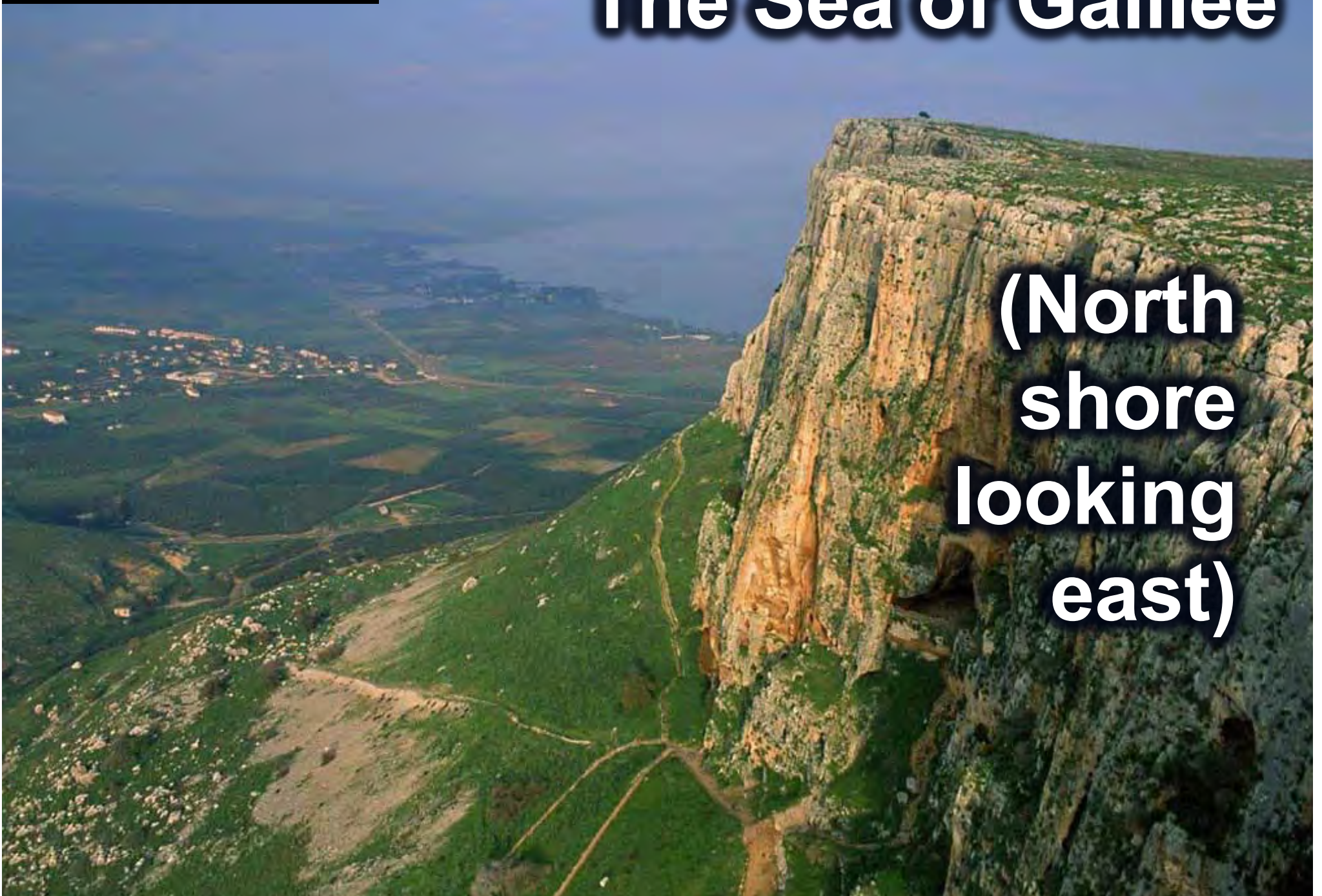




**Arbel**

# **The Sea of Galilee**

**(North  
shore  
looking  
east)**





# Sea of Galilee







# The Sea of Galilee

(South shore looking east)



# Mountains in Israel

10

**Hermion**

**Carmel**

**Tabor**

**Gilboa**

**Zion**

**Olives**

**Nebo**

**Hor**





# Mount Hermon





# Mount Hermon





# Regions of Israel (OT)





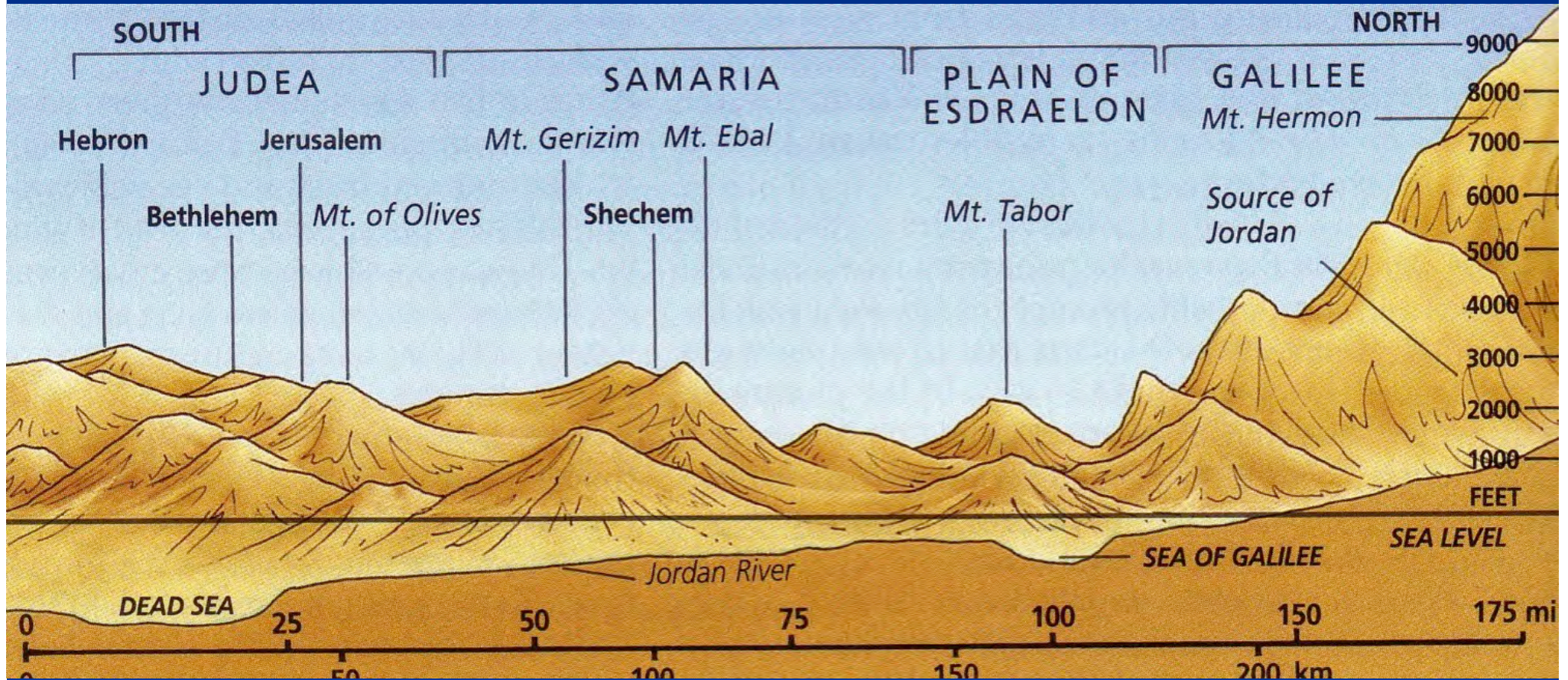
# Regions of Israel (NT)

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# Elevations





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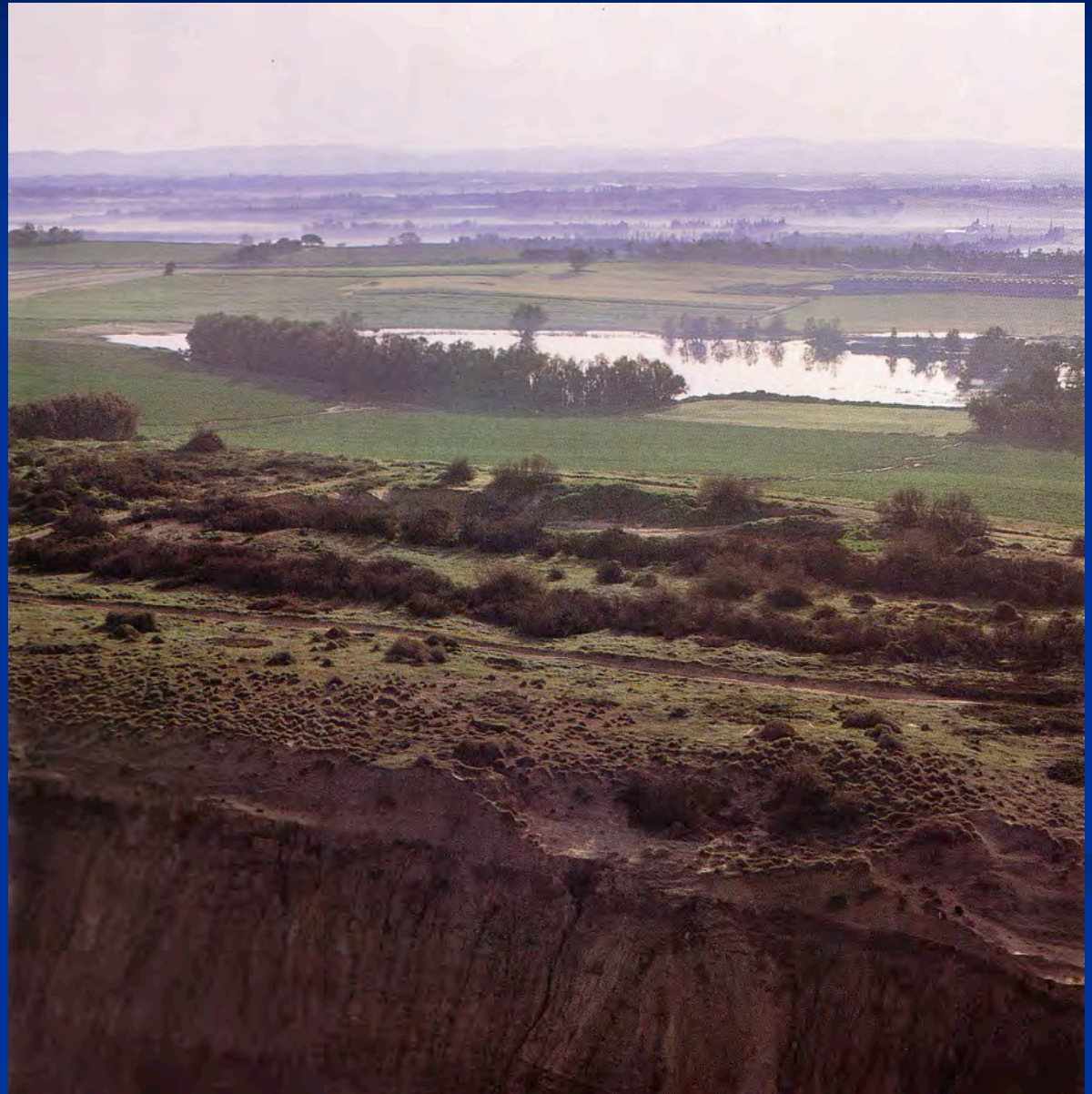
Coastal  
Plain





# Coastal Plain

- Kurkar (sandstone) ridges in the foreground while looking east to the foothills





# Coastal Plain

## ■ Tyre





# Tel Aviv





# Tel Aviv









# Caesarea





# Coastal Plain

## ■ Gaza

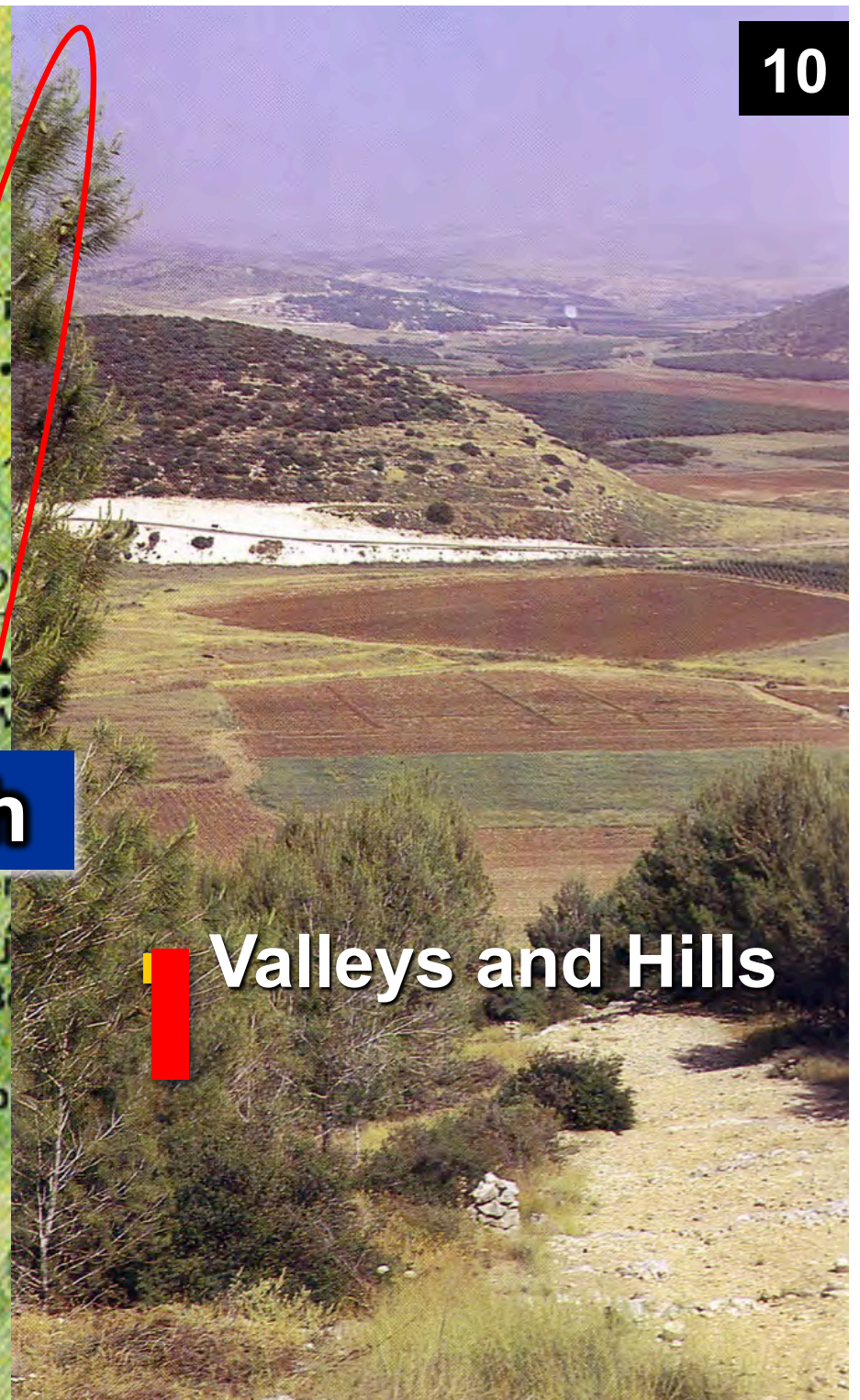




# Elevations in North-South Divisions

Shephelah

Valleys and Hills





# Shephelah

- Farmland

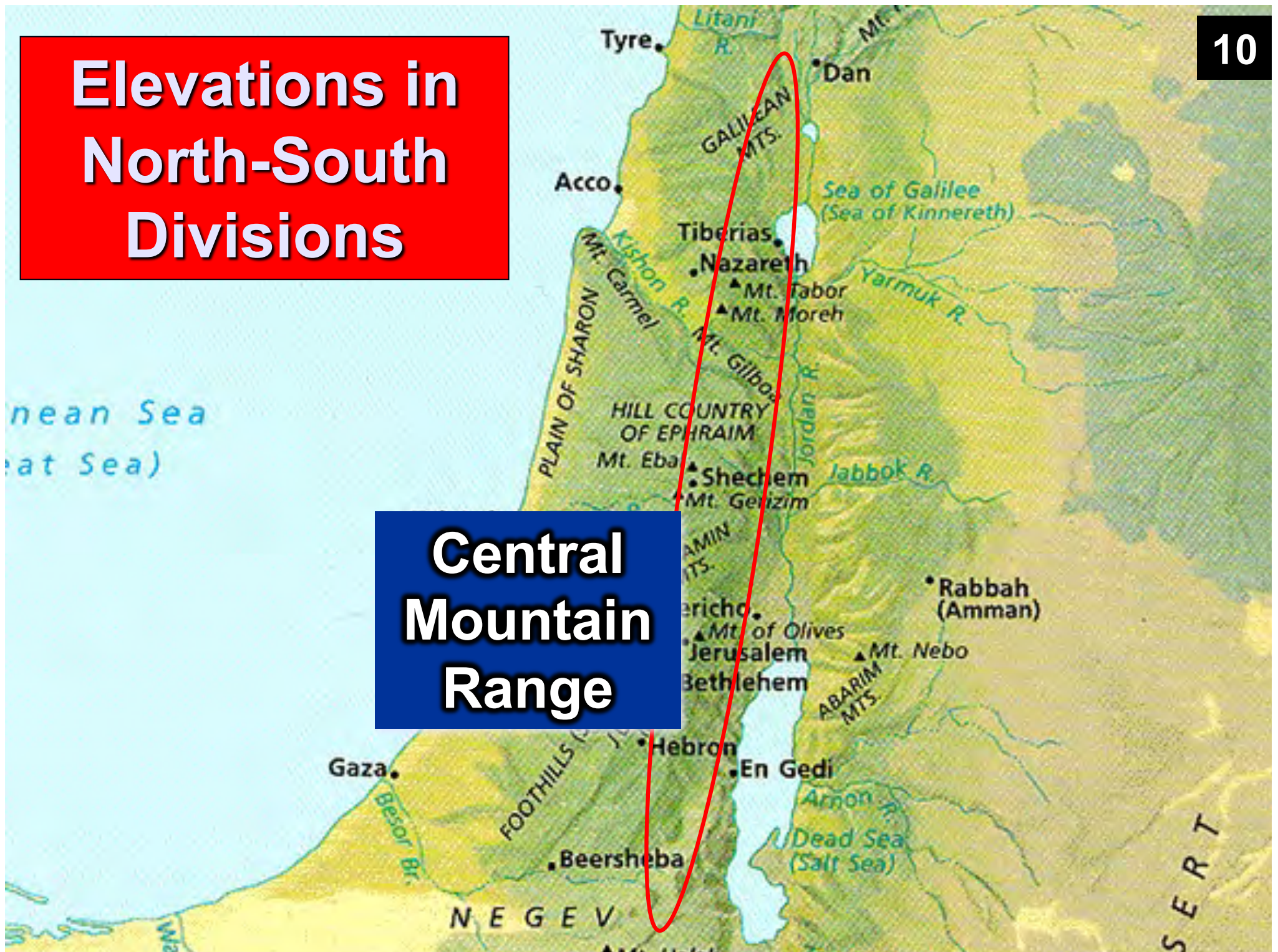




# Elevations in North-South Divisions

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**Central  
Mountain  
Range**





# Judean Hills



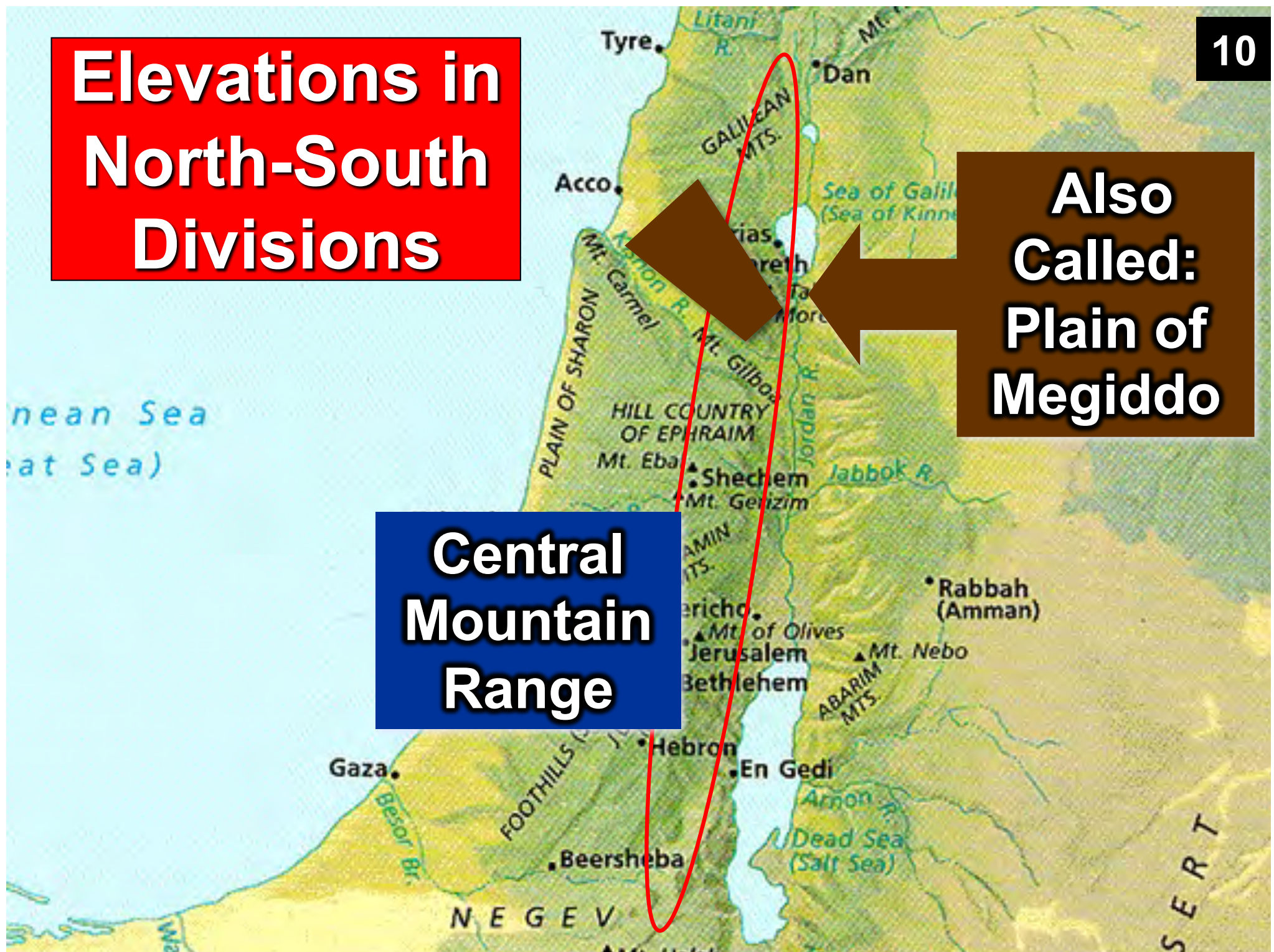


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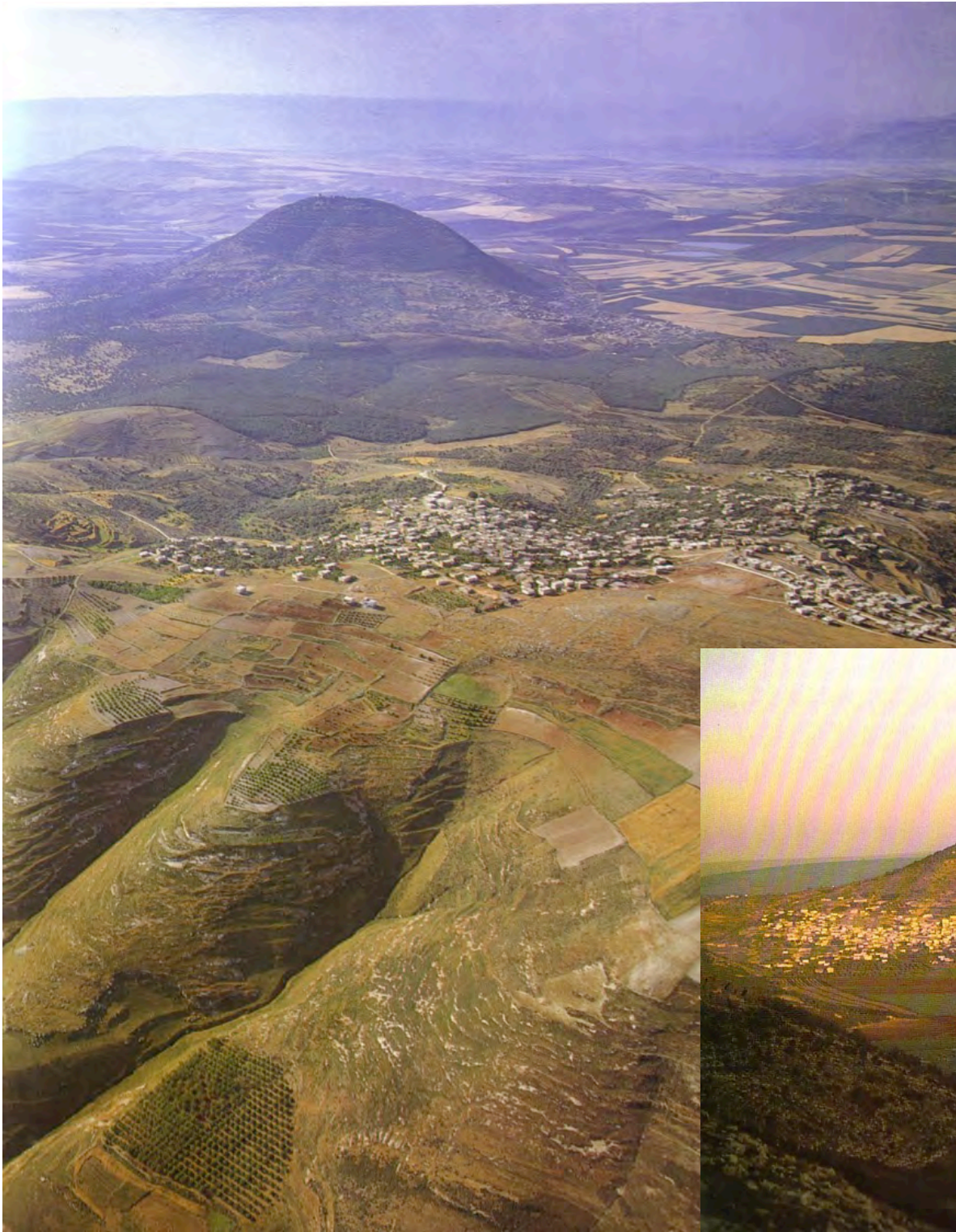
Also  
Called:  
Plain of  
Megiddo

Central  
Mountain  
Range





# Mount Tabor in the Jezreel Valley





# Central Mountain Range

- A ridge causes water to flow east or west
- The higher elevation is in the south





# The Wilderness of Judea

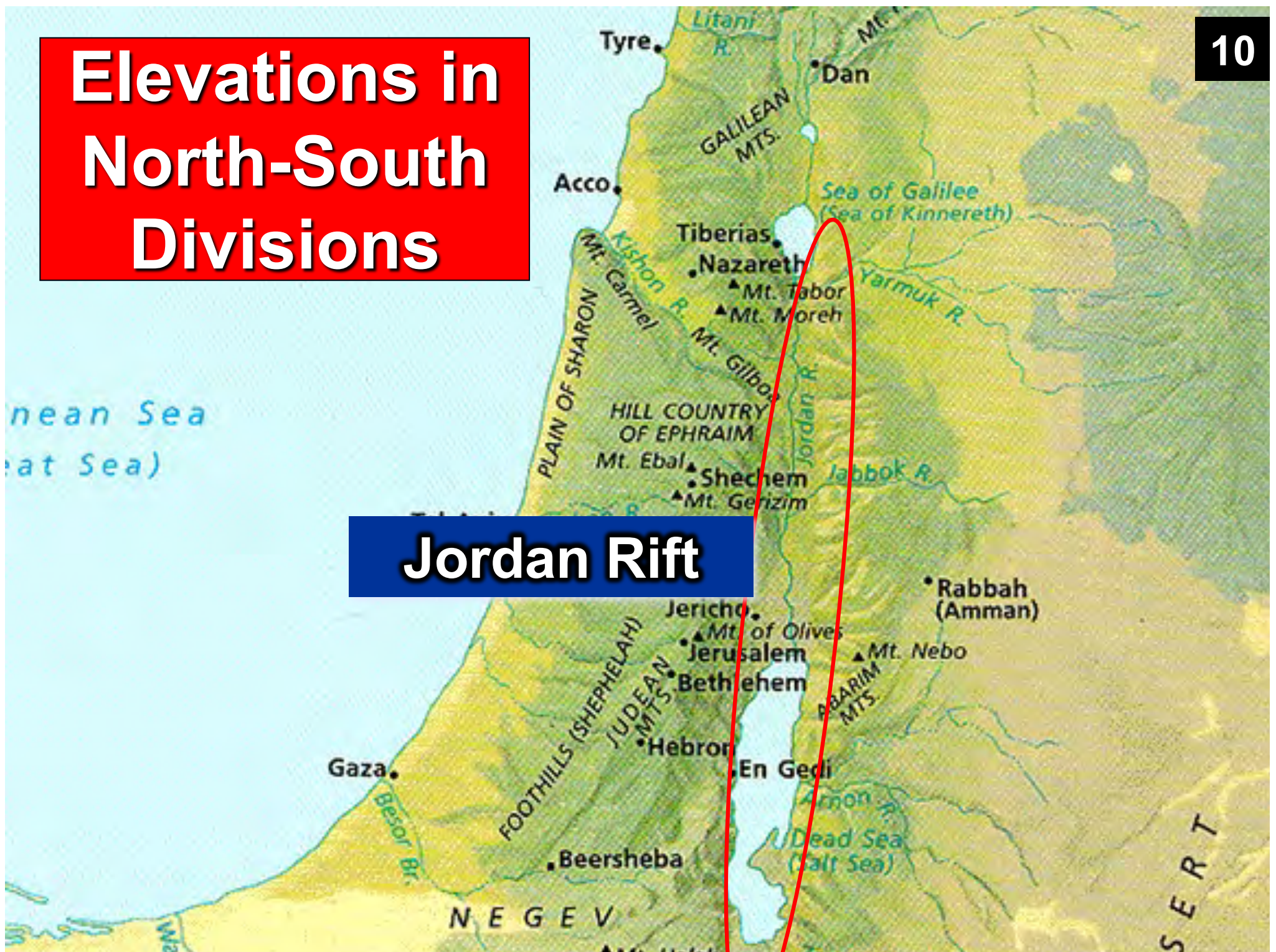




# Elevations in North-South Divisions

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**Jordan Rift**





# Jordan Rift

## ■ Deep Depression

From the  
Wilderness  
of Judea  
looking  
east to the  
Salt Sea  
below

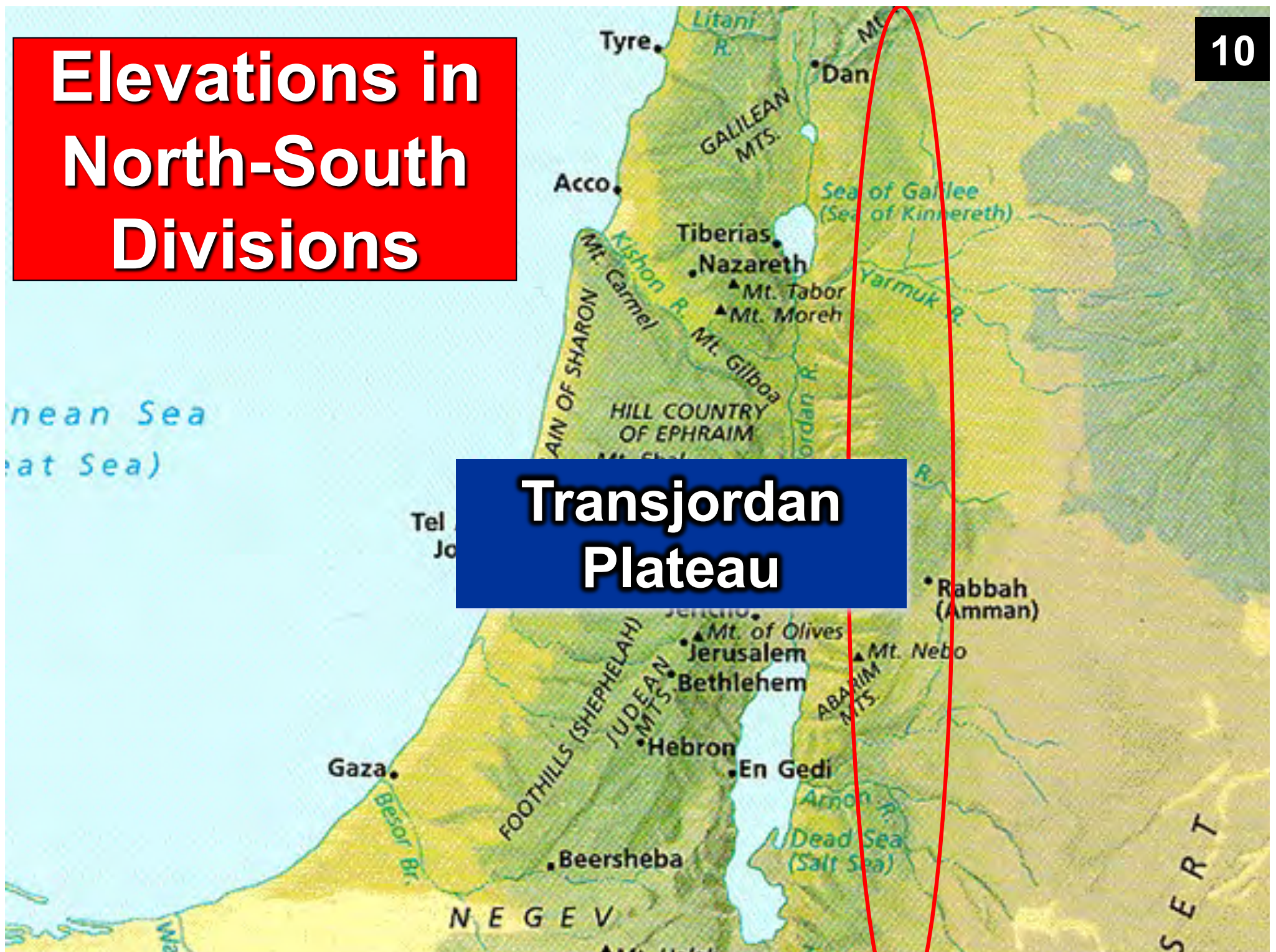




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**Transjordan  
Plateau**





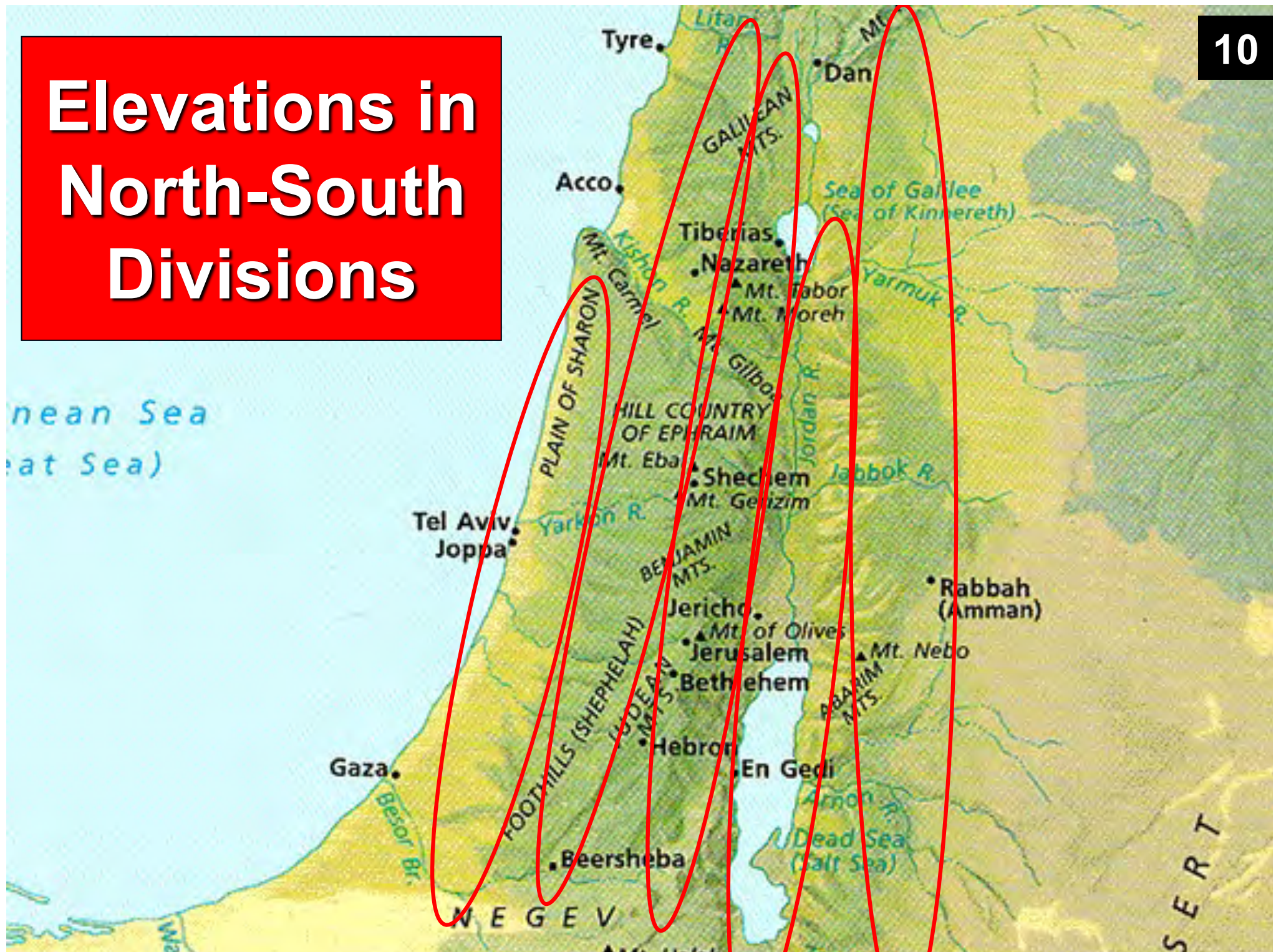
# Transjordan Plateau

- Mt. Nebo





# Elevations in North-South Divisions





# The Negev





# The Negev





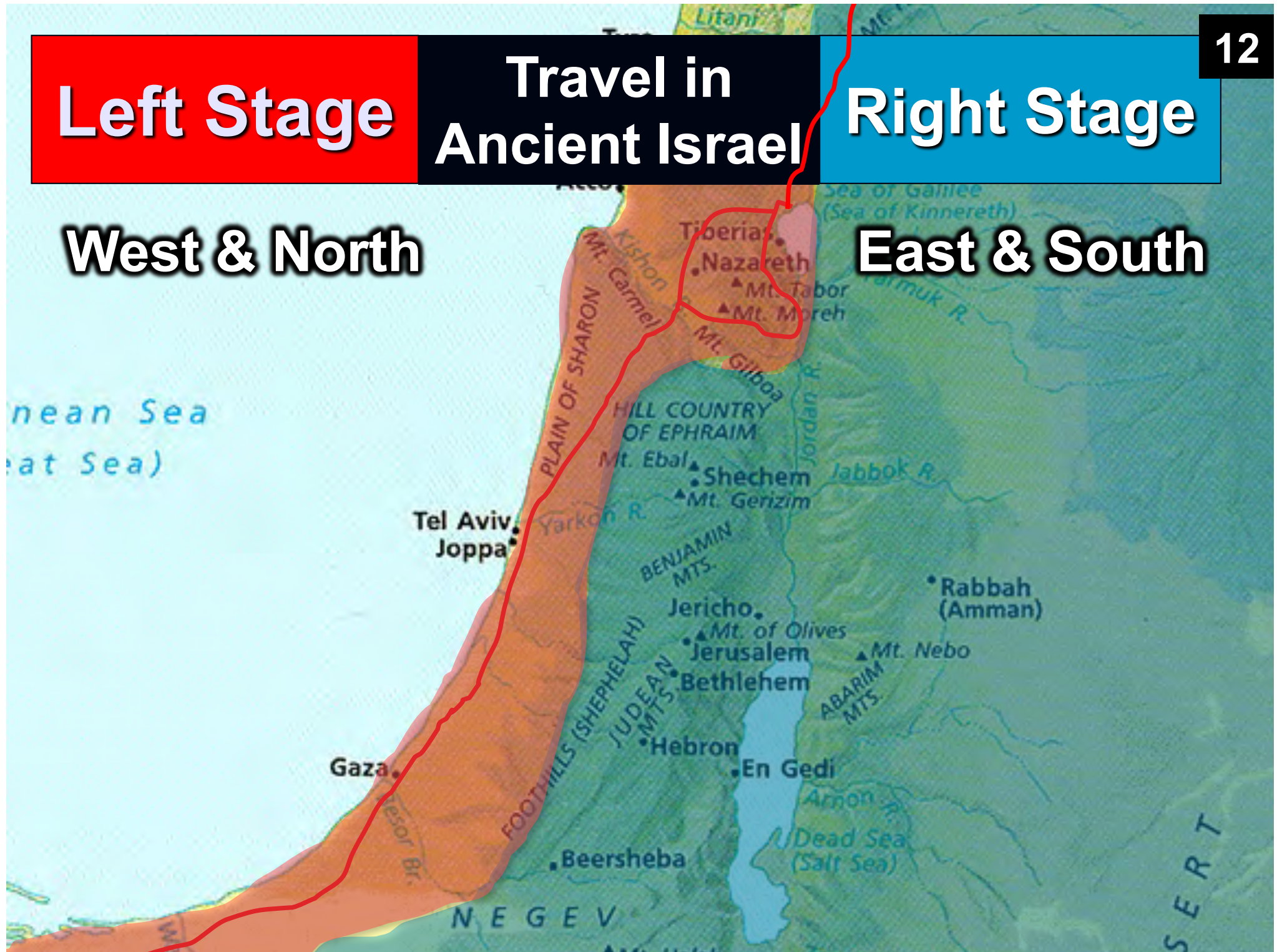
**Left Stage**

**Travel in  
Ancient Israel**

**Right Stage**

**West & North**

**East & South**





**Left Stage****Life in  
Ancient Israel****Right Stage****Farmers  
Land of Honey****Herdsmen  
Land of Milk**



# Left Stage

## Life in Ancient Israel

# Right Stage

### 40 Large Cities

### 310 Small Towns





**Left Stage**

**Life in  
Ancient Israel**

**Right Stage**

**Easy,  
Predictable**

**Exhausting,  
Unpredictable**

**It's  
easy!**





# Left Stage

**Trade, Noisy,  
International**



# Life in Ancient Israel

# Right Stage

**Isolation, Quiet,  
Nationalism**





**Left Stage**

**Life in  
Ancient Israel**

**Right Stage**

**Syncretism,  
Paganism**

**Religious Purity,  
Monotheism**





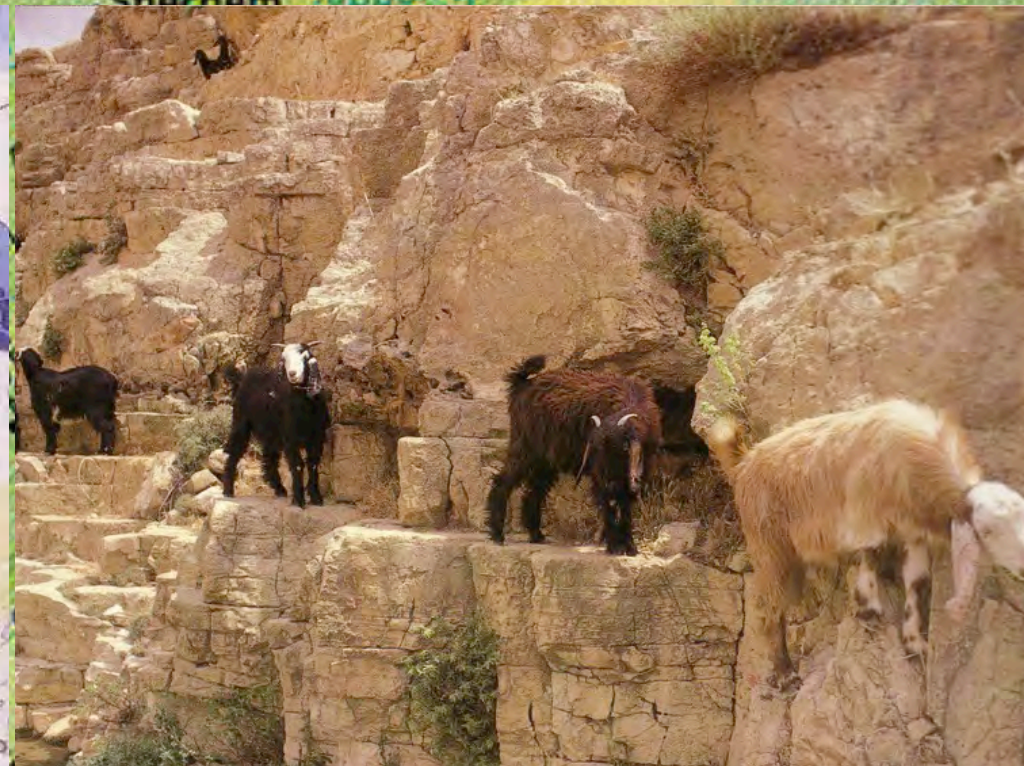
**Left Stage**

**Life in  
Ancient Israel**

**Right Stage**

**Controlled  
By Israel only  
150 years**

**Controlled  
By Israel  
1650 years**





Phoenicians

Syrians

Left Stage

Life in  
Ancient Israel

Right Stage

Sea Peoples,  
The "ians" (mostly)

Romans

Desert Peoples,  
The "ites"

Babylonians

Assyrians

Israelites

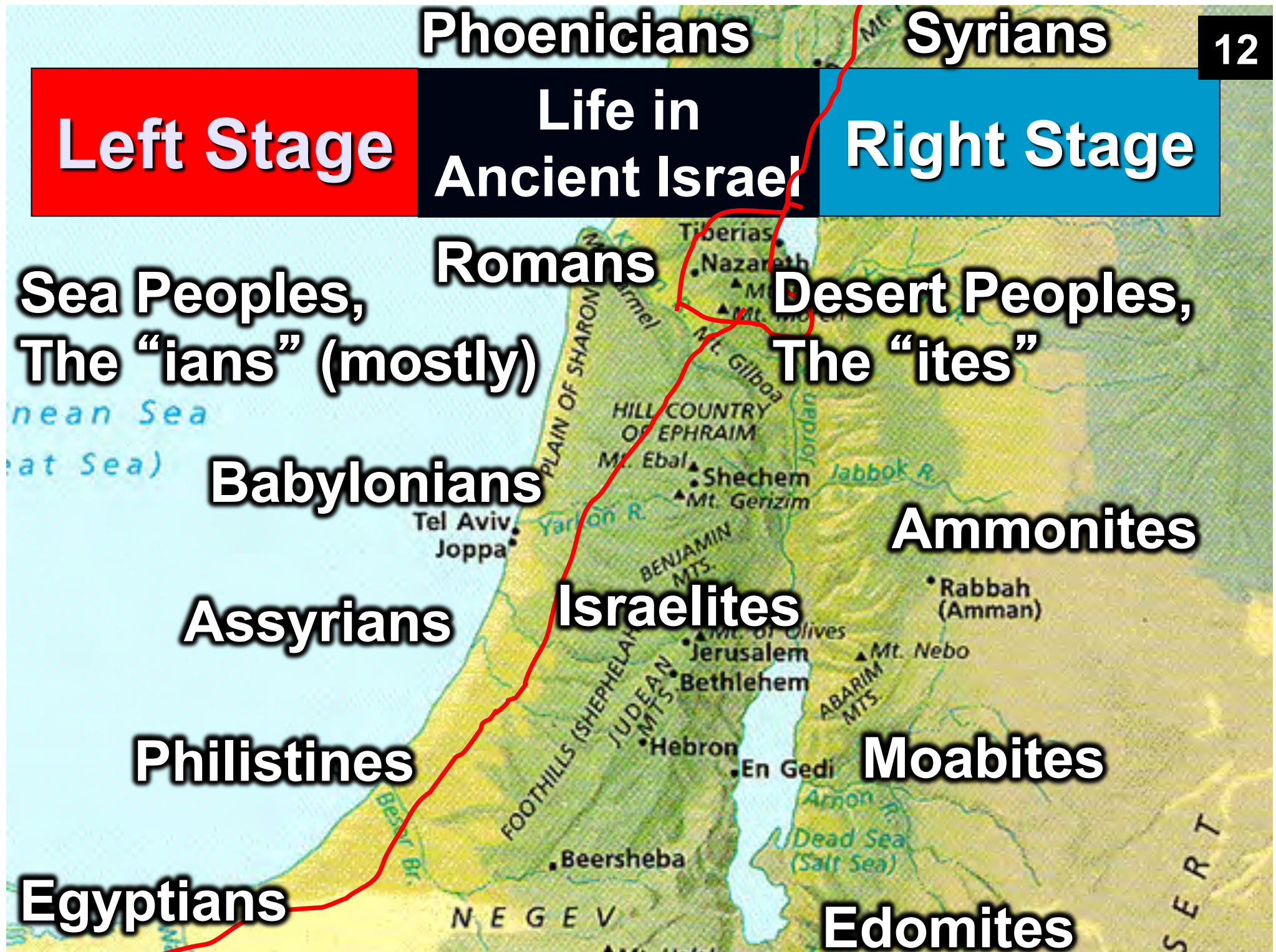
Ammonites

Philistines

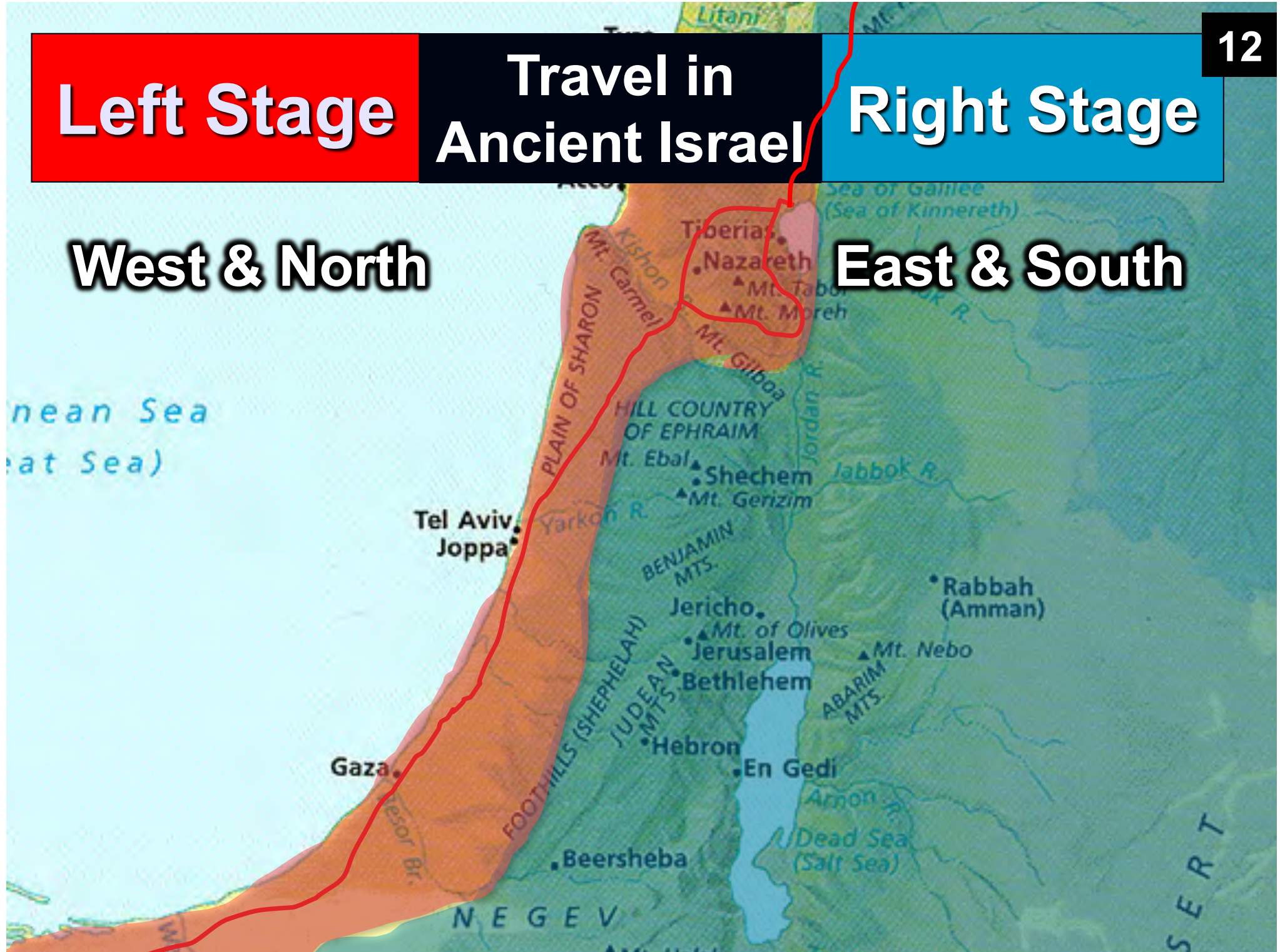
Moabites

Egyptians

Edomites





**Left Stage****Travel in  
Ancient Israel****Right Stage****West & North****East & South**



# Israel's Strategic Location

**Thought Question:**

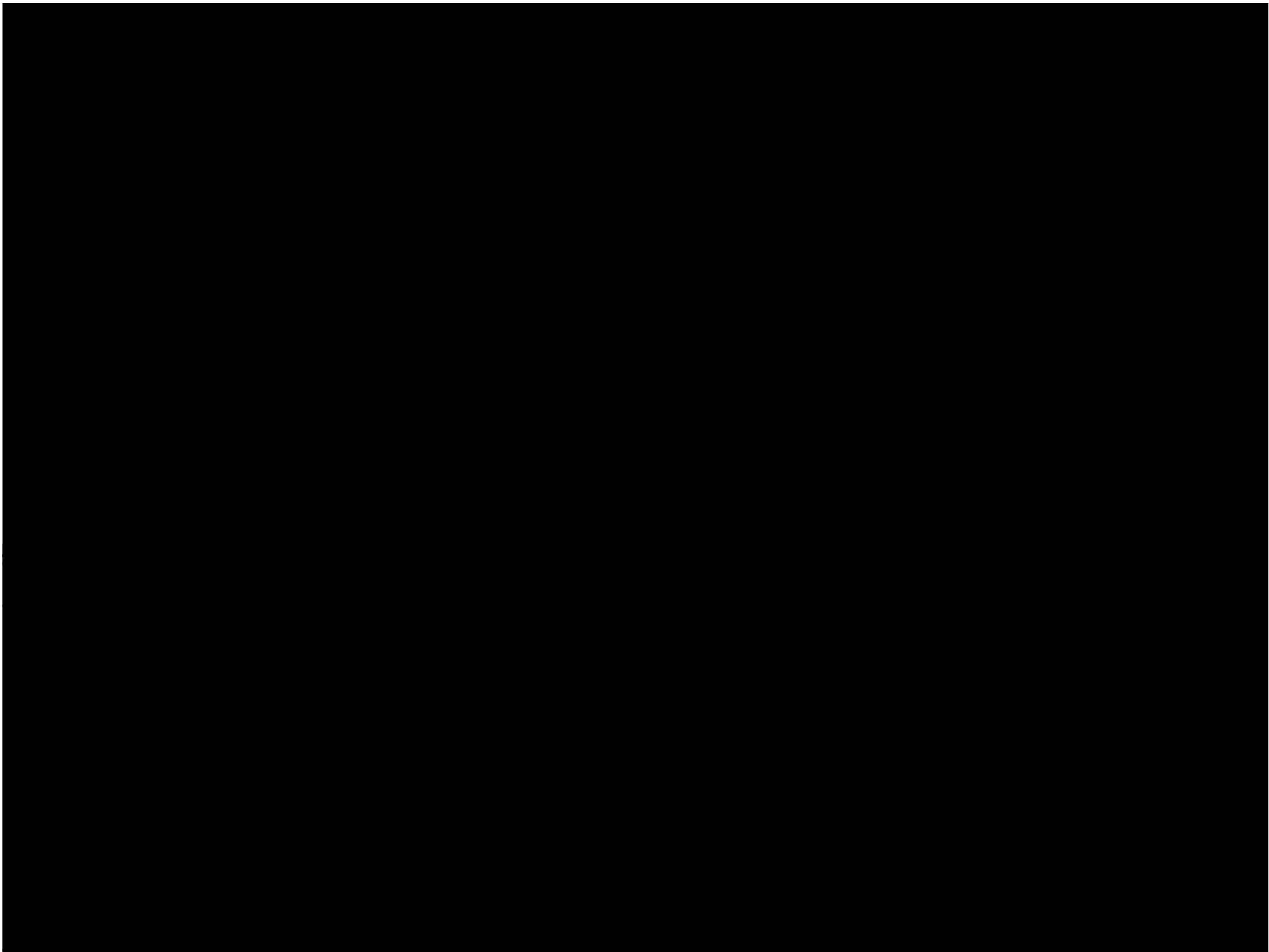
How has God placed *you* in a strategic place for His purposes?

“Thus says the LORD God: This is Jerusalem; I have set her in the center of the nations, with countries round about her”

***Ezekiel 5:5***

0 100 200 300 mi.  
0 100 200 300 400 km.








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