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13 Behold, My servant will prosper, He will be high and lifted up and greatly exalted.

14 Just as many were astonished at you, My people, so His appearance was marred more than any man and His form more than the sons of men

15 Thus He will sprinkle many nations, Kings will shut their mouths on account of Him; for what had not been told them they will see, and what they had not heard they will understand.

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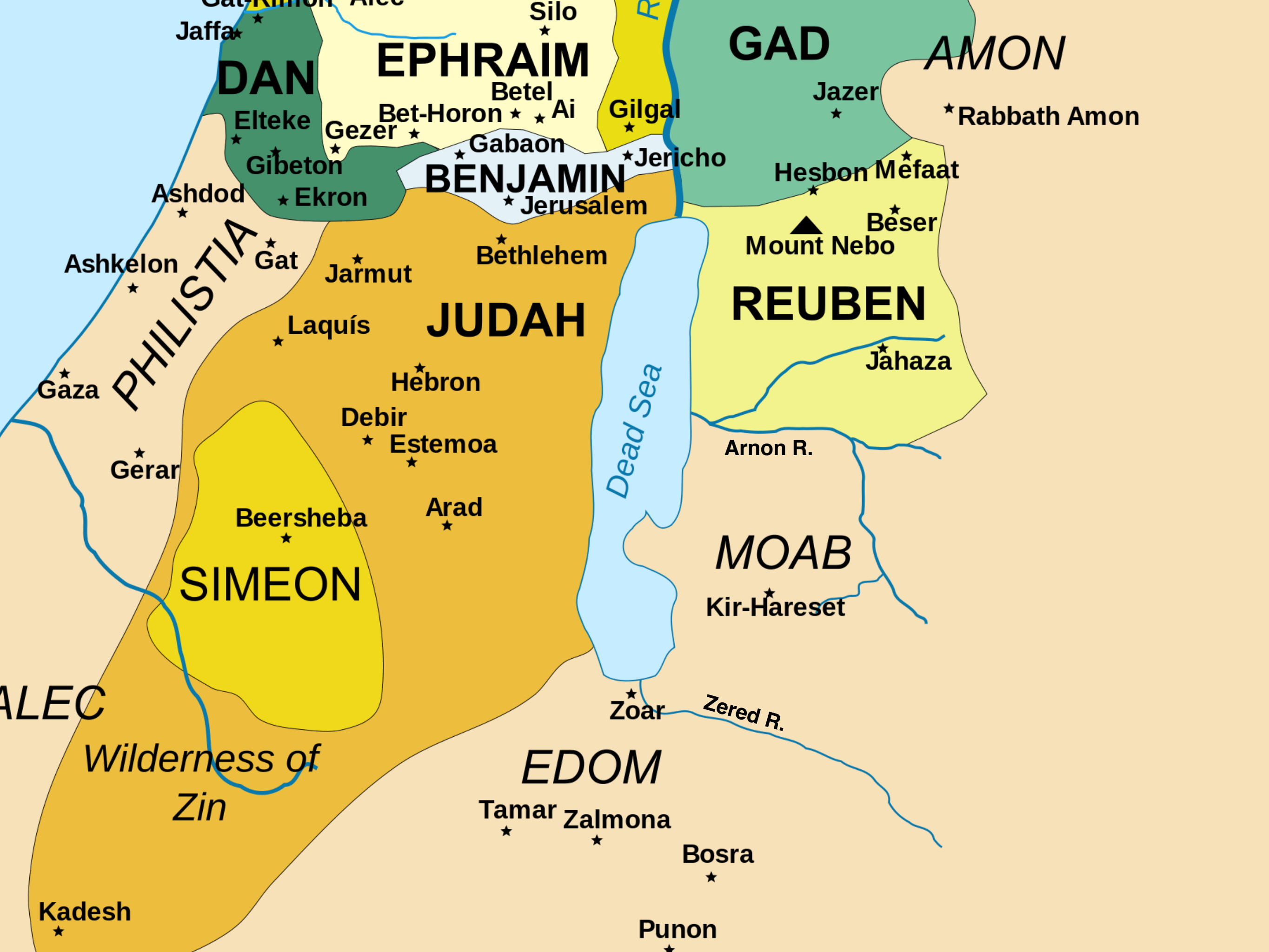
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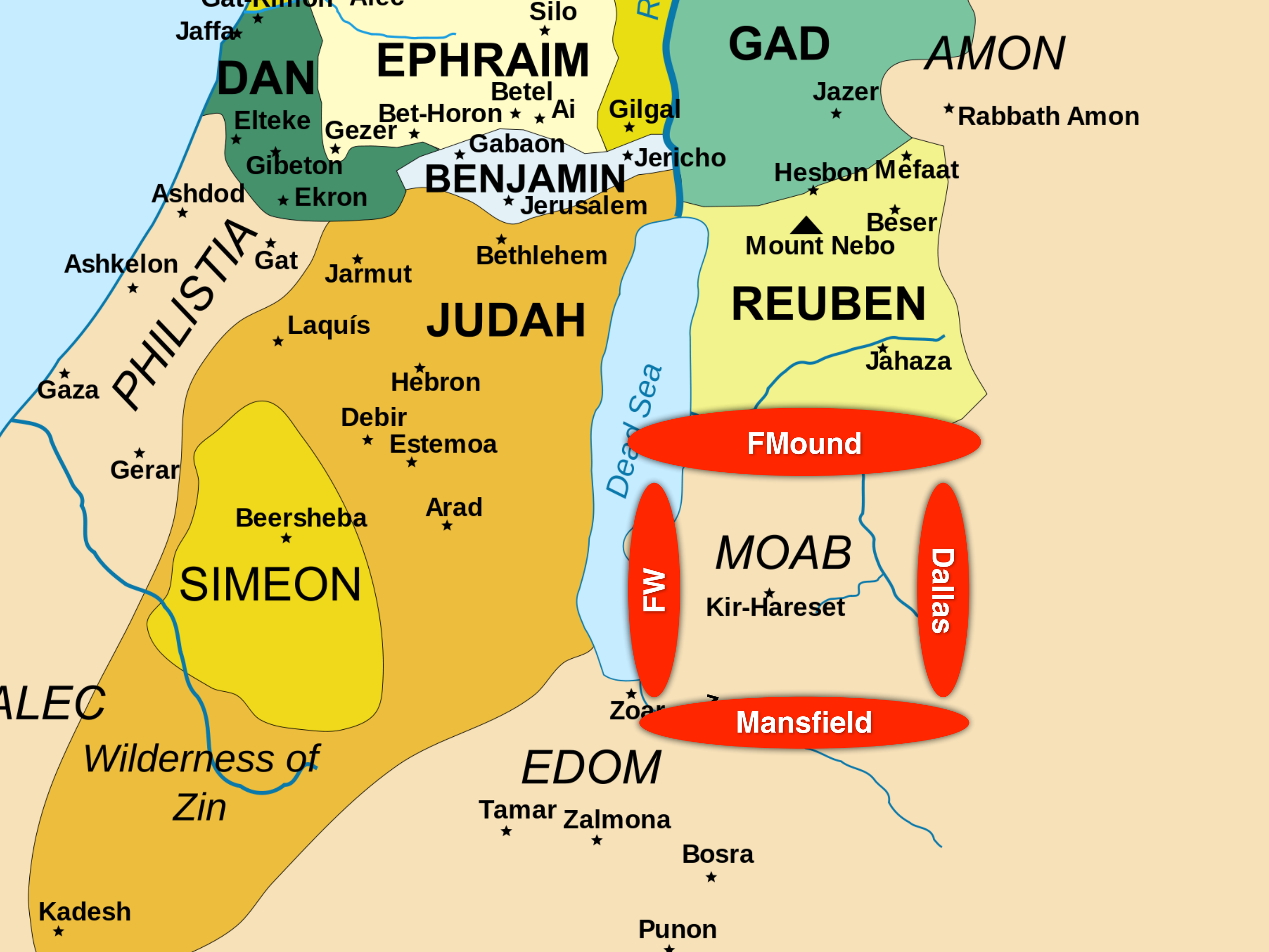
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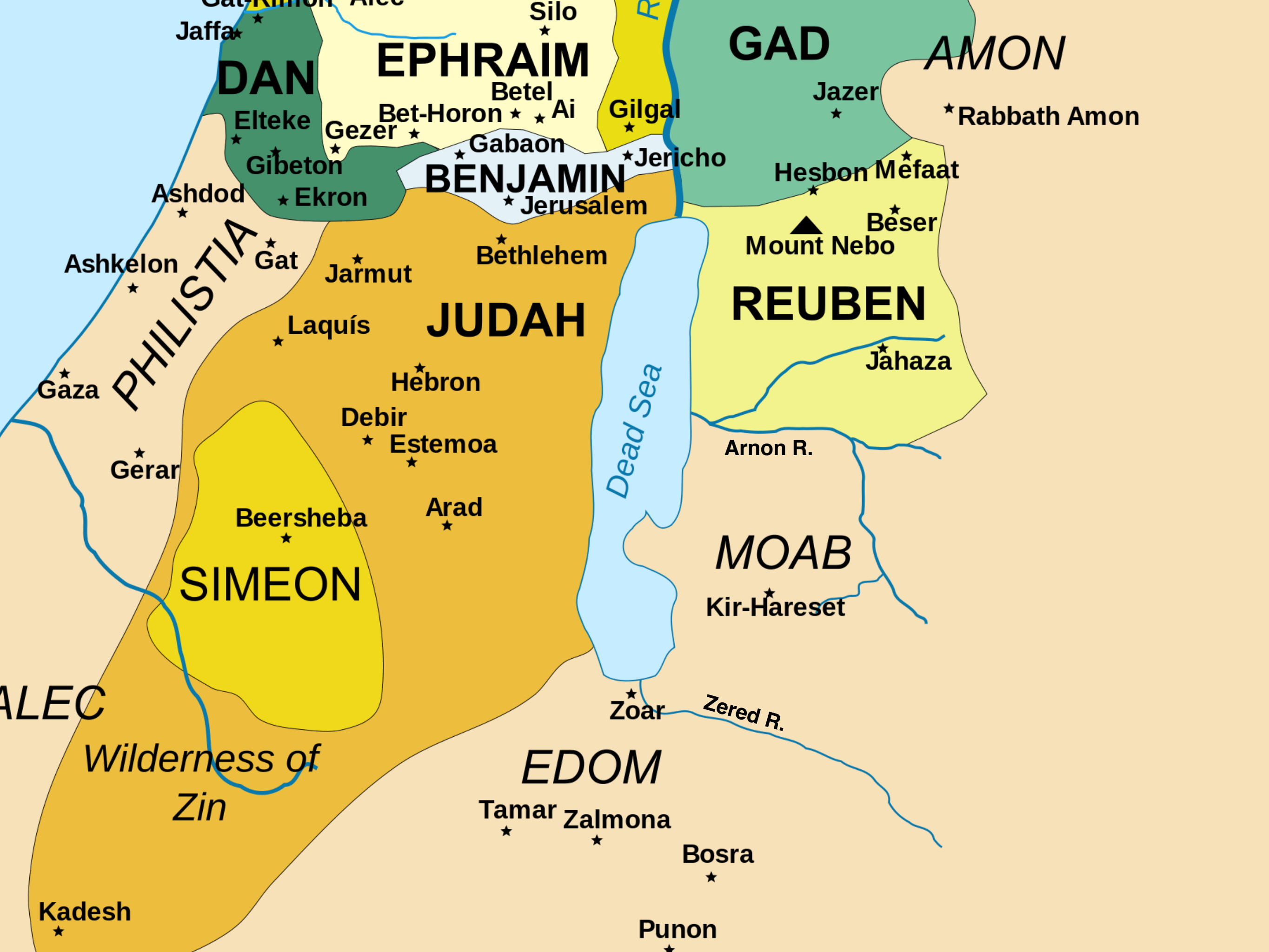


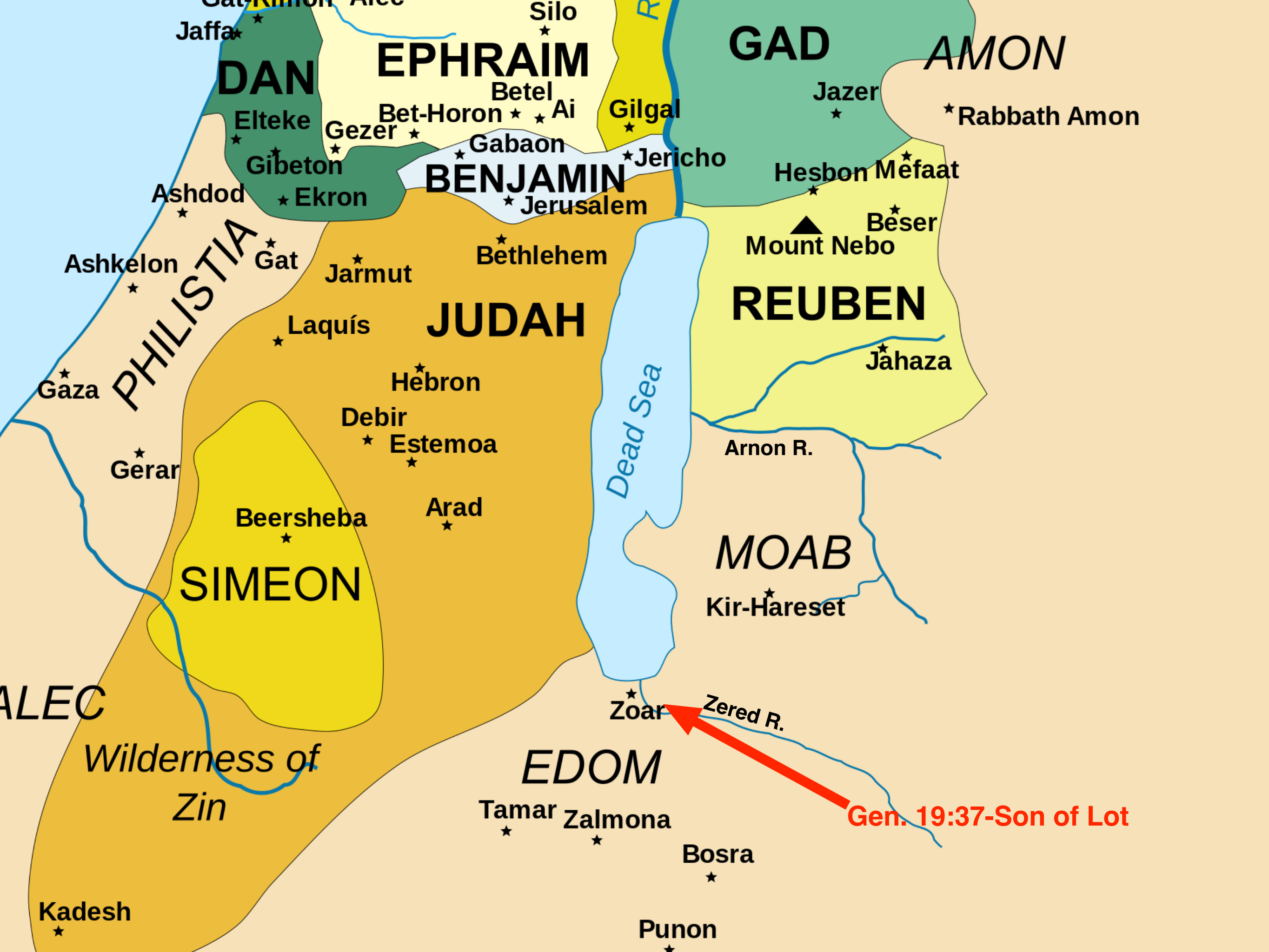
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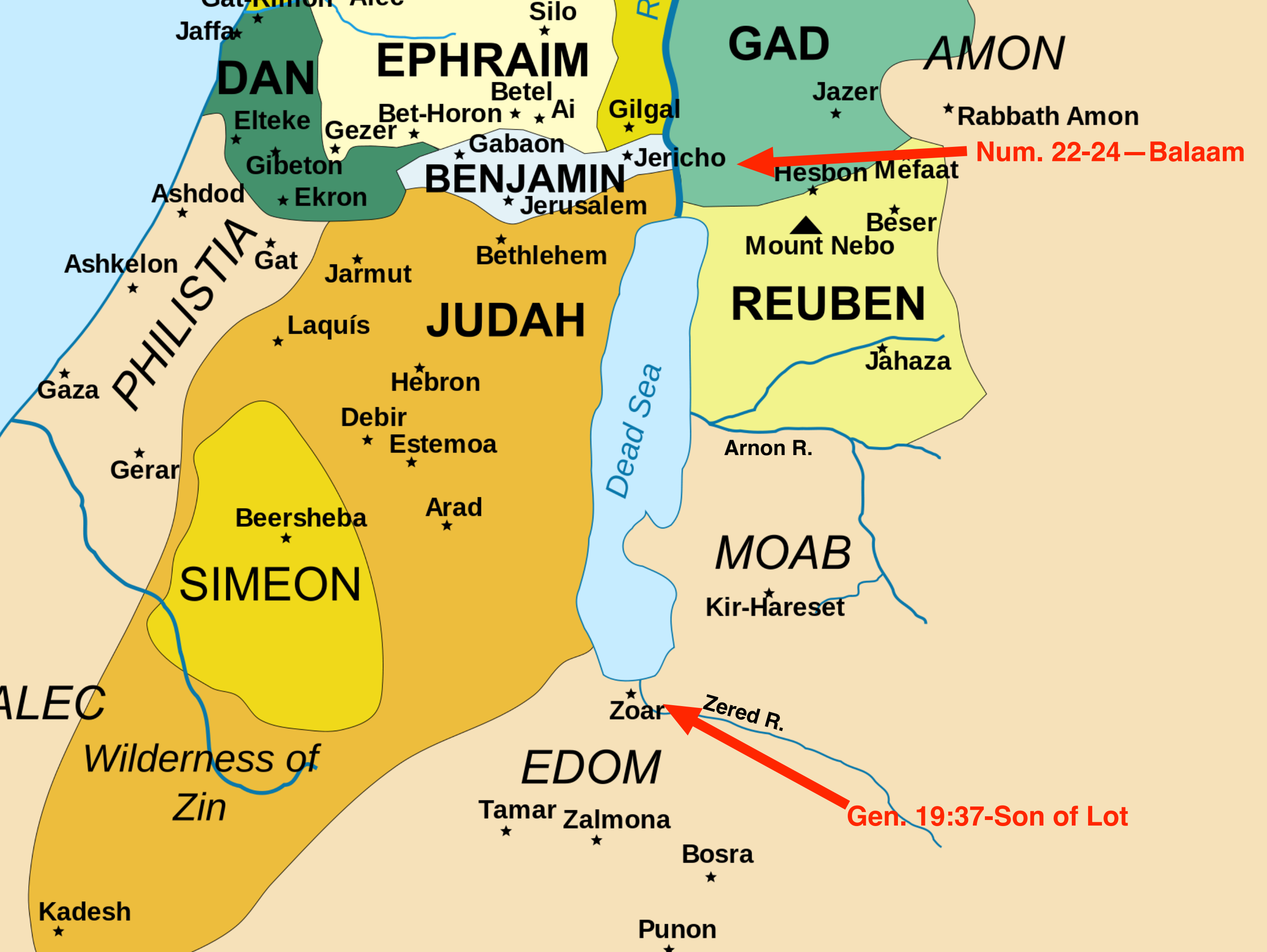












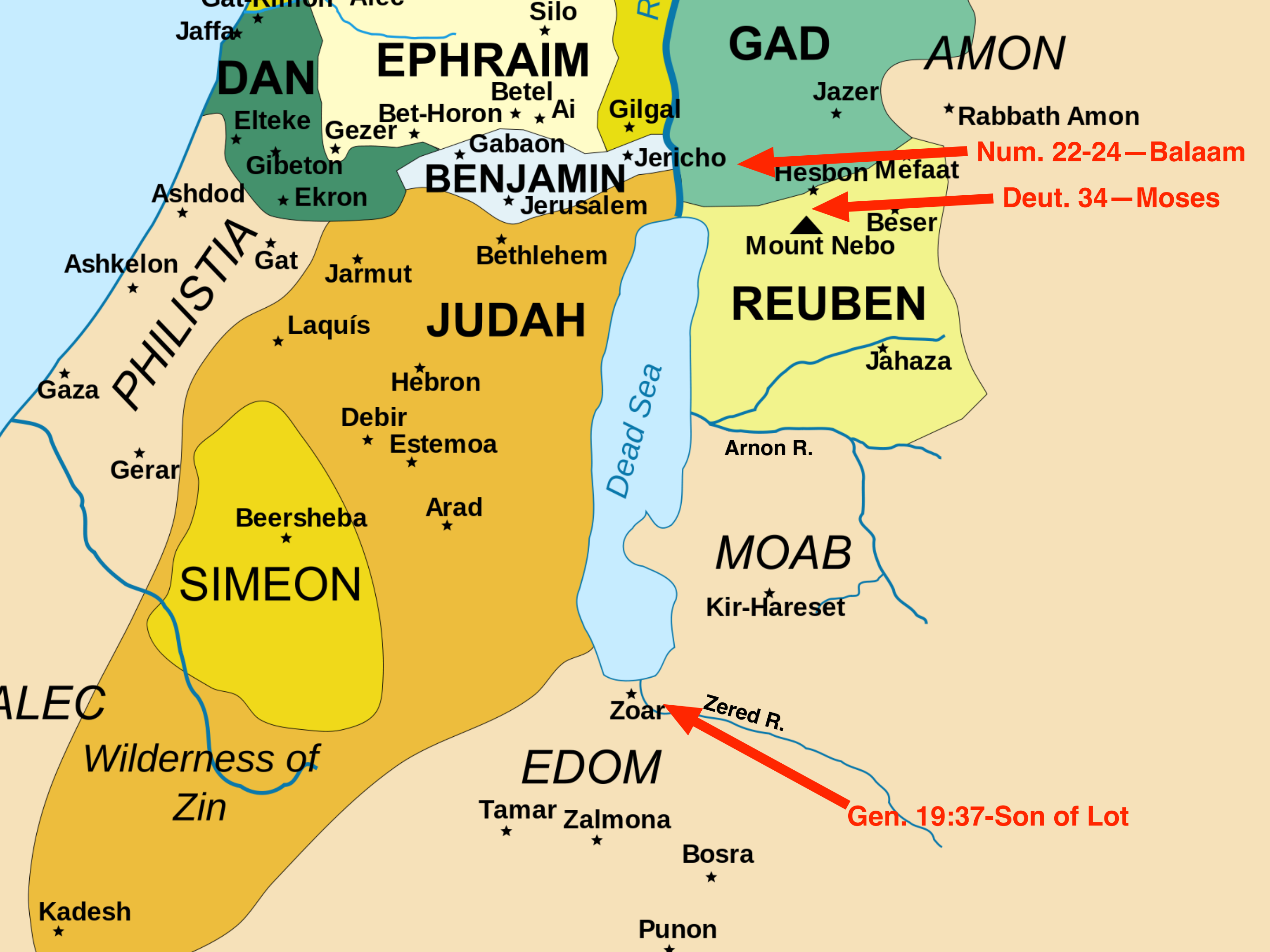
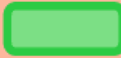


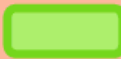
Photo of the Mesha Stele (Moabite Stone)

The Moabite Stone was discovered in 1868 by a German missionary about 20 miles east of the Dead Sea. It is 4 feet high, two feet wide and 14 inches thick. There are 32 lines of Hebrew-like text. It mentions "Chemosh," "Omri...and his son," "Israel," "Yahweh" and the "House of David." It is now in the Louvre Museum in Paris.

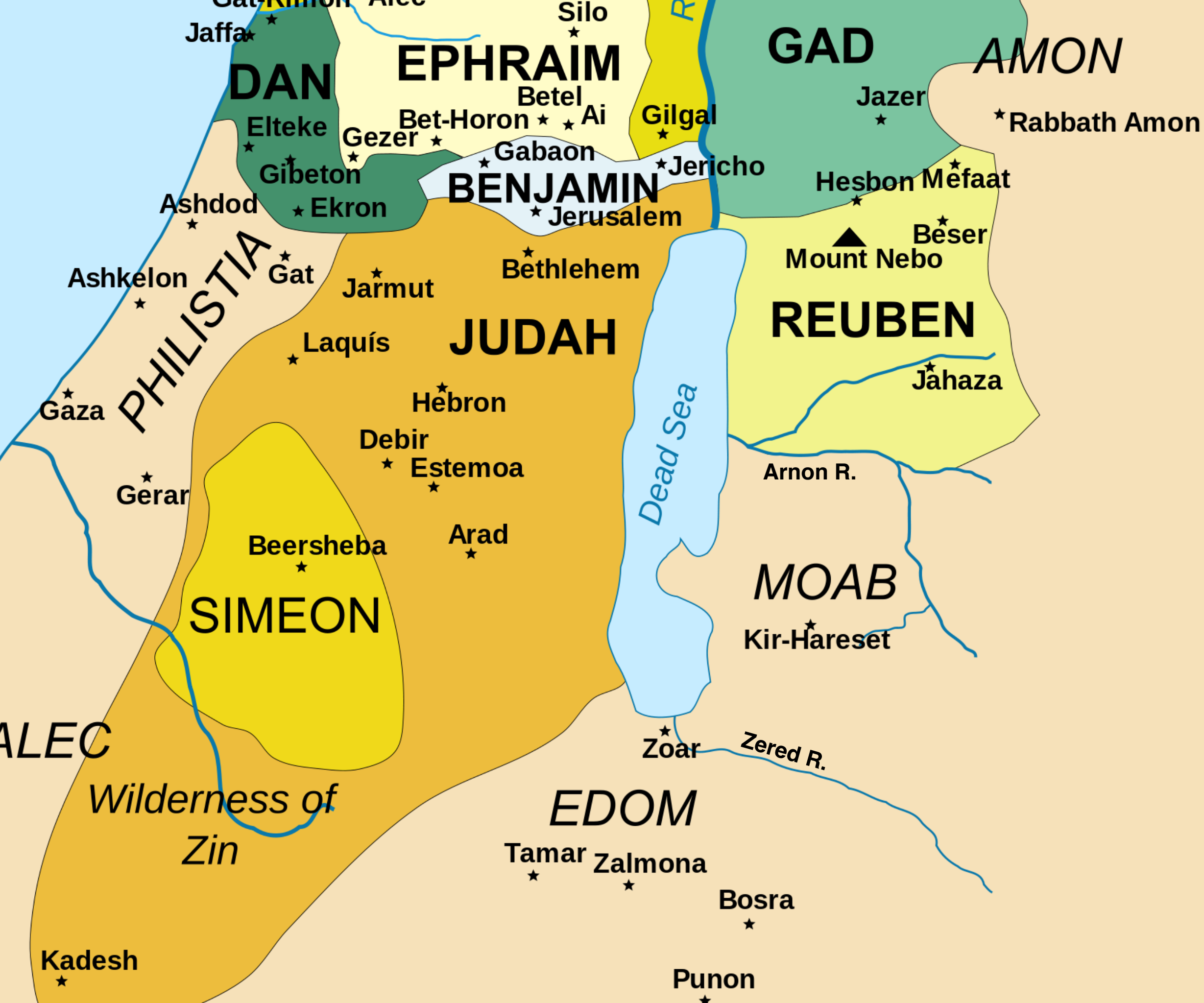




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Theme Statement

The LORD declares that certain judgment is coming for sin, especially the sin of pride, but He also offers deliverance from final judgment through the steadfast love of His coming Messiah King.

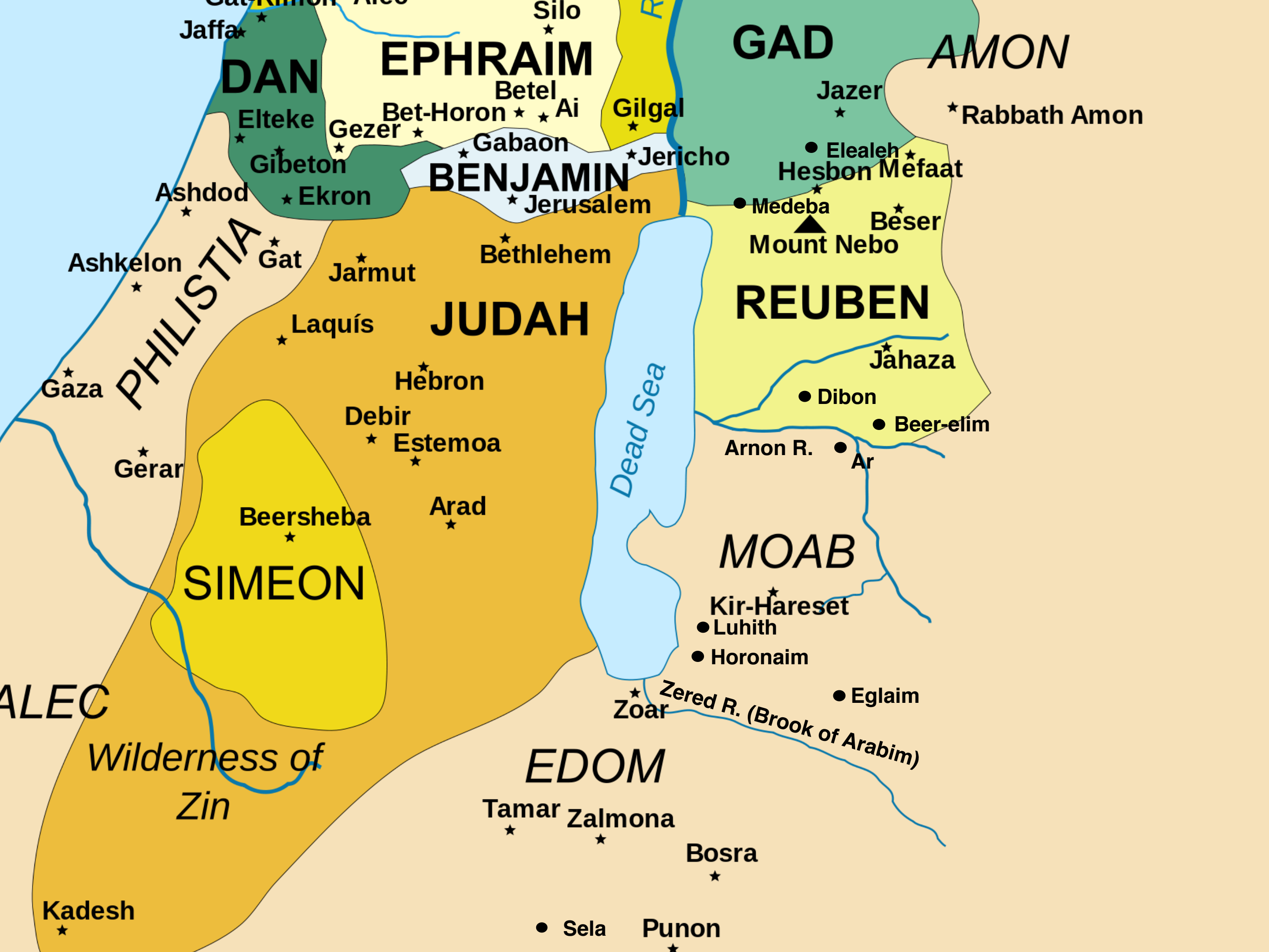
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Jeremiah 48:25-26

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Jeremiah 48:29–30

“We have heard of the pride of Moab—he is very proud—of his haughtiness, his pride, his arrogance and his self-exaltation. I know his fury,” declares the Lord, “But it is futile; His idle boasts have accomplished nothing.”

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3. Understand the significance of the sin of pride both prior to salvation and after.

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Alan MacRae “It is unfortunate that among Christians in general the terrible nature of the sin of pride is not sufficiently realized. We are apt to think of grosser sins as being worse, but in God's sight there is nothing comparable to the sin of pride. In God's sight the arrogance of the human heart -- exaltation of the human being as over against God -- is far worse than any of the sins of the flesh. Alas, how easy it is for us to become like the Pharisees, to gather our skirts around us and praise God that we are better than our neighbors. God will never bless such an attitude. The one thing He loves above all else is a humble and a contrite spirit. He wants us to realize that apart from the grace of God none of us deserve anything good at His hand.”