

Absalom's Death David's Deliverance

2 Sam 18

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Mahanaim

~1800-1700 B.C.

- “Two companies”
- Jacob & Esau

~1400 B.C

- Levitical city



Mahanaim



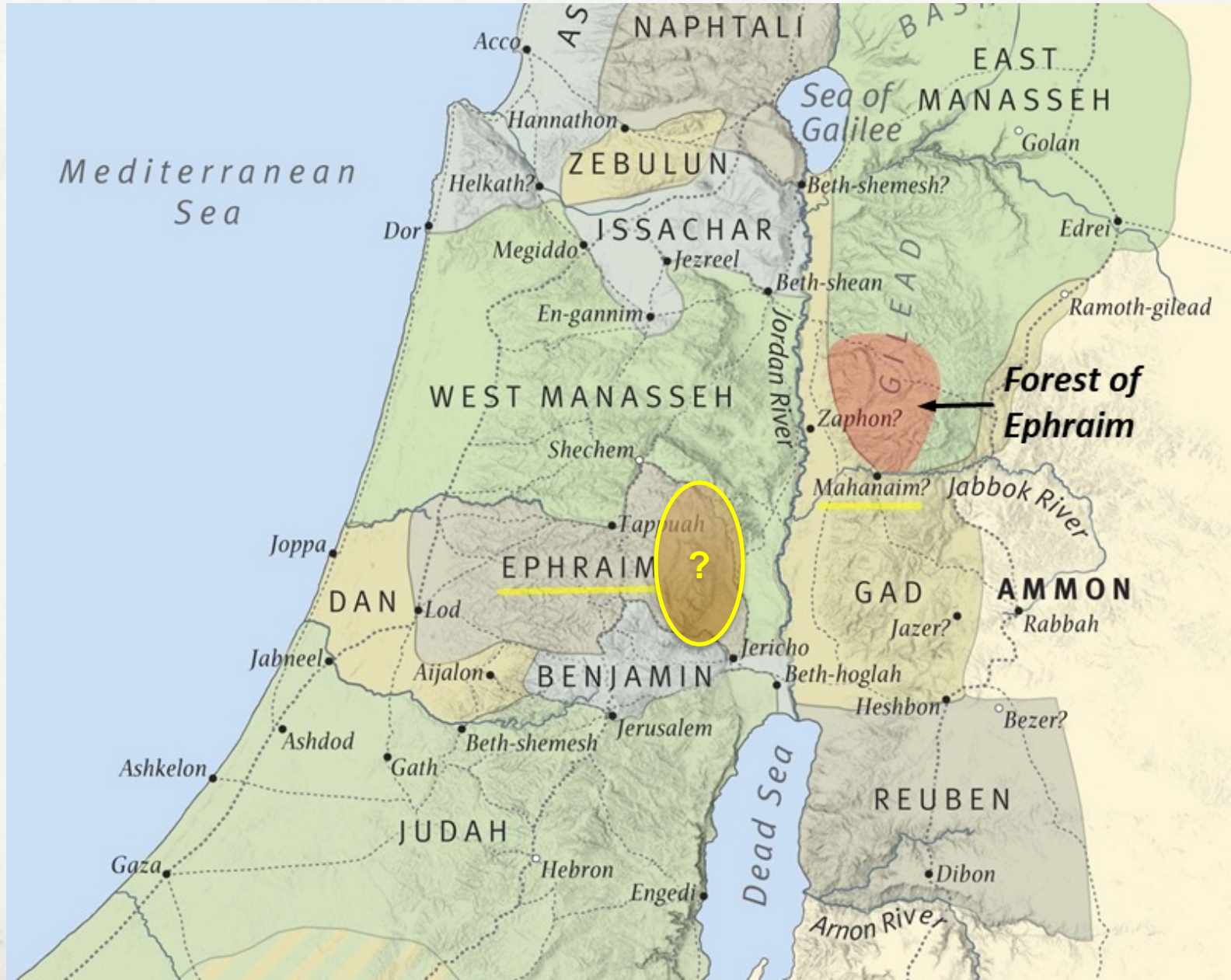
2 Sam 18:1-5

- Battle preparation
 - The troops organized
 - The people's request
 - David's plea

2 Sam 18:6-8

- Battle casualties
 - The field
 - The forest

Forest of Ephraim



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2 Sam 18:6-8

- Battle casualties
 - The field
 - The forest
 - The fallen

2 Sam 18:9-15

- Battle climax
 - Absalom's bad hair day

Absalom's Demise



2 Sam 18:9-15

- Battle climax
 - Absalom's bad hair day
 - Joab's bad behavior
 - Absalom's grave

2 Sam 18:9-15

- Battle climax
 - Absalom's bad hair day
 - Joab's bad behavior
 - Absalom's grave
 - Absalom's pillar

Kidron Valley



Absalom's Pillar ???



2 Sam 18:19-33

- Battle messengers
 - Ahimaaz races the Cushite

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- Battle scars
 - David's lament for Absalom

Applications

- The Lord's instruments of judgment will eventually be served their own day of judgment
- The Lord has no delight in the death of the wicked
Eze 18:23; 33:11
- Being forgiven may resolve some impacts of sin, but it doesn't remove all its consequences
- Stay faithful even when facing difficult consequences – the Lord's judgment may eventually have a reprieve