

Old Testament Lessons

Vol. III



JOSHUA THROUGH I SAMUEL

IN

26 LESSONS

QUESTIONS TO BE ANSWERED AND GRADED

Designed To Teach the Scriptures

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Joshua – 1st Samuel

Lesson #24

1Samuel 24 - 26

Overview of 1 Samuel

- **First Samuel** records:
 - the birth, life and death of Samuel, the last judge
 - Israel demanding a king like the other nations
 - the establishment of Israel's monarchy
 - the rise and fall of Saul
 - the rise of David and his kingdom
- **Authorship:** Unknown
 - Portions thought to be written by Samuel (1 Chron. 29:29)
- **Date span:** 1105-970 B.C.

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The Book of 1 Samuel

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2 Samuel 1:1-16

¹Now it came to pass after the death of Saul, when David had returned from the slaughter of the Amalekites, and David had stayed two days in Ziklag, ²on the third day, behold, it happened that a man came from Saul's camp with his clothes torn and dust on his head. So it was, when he came to David, that he fell to the ground and prostrated himself.

³And David said to him, "Where have you come from?"

So he said to him, "I have escaped from the camp of Israel."

⁴Then David said to him, "How did the matter go? Please tell me."

And he answered, "The people have fled from the battle, many of the people are fallen and dead, and Saul and Jonathan his son are dead also."

⁵So David said to the young man who told him, "How do you know that Saul and Jonathan his son are dead?"

⁶Then the young man who told him said, "As I happened by chance *to be* on Mount Gilboa, there was Saul, leaning on his spear; and indeed the chariots and horsemen followed hard after him. ⁷Now when he looked behind him, he saw me and called to me. And I answered, 'Here I am.' ⁸And he said to me, 'Who *are* you?' So I answered him, 'I *am* an Amalekite.' ⁹He said to me again, 'Please stand over me and kill me, for anguish has come upon me, but my life still *remains* in me.' ¹⁰So I stood over him and killed him, because I was sure that he could not live after he had fallen. And I took the crown that *was* on his head and the bracelet that *was* on his arm, and have brought them here to my lord."

¹¹Therefore David took hold of his own clothes and tore them, and *so did* all the men who *were* with him. ¹²And they mourned and wept and fasted until evening for Saul and for Jonathan his son, for the people of the LORD and for the house of Israel, because they had fallen by the sword.

¹³Then David said to the young man who told him, "Where *are* you from?"

And he answered, "I *am* the son of an alien, an Amalekite."

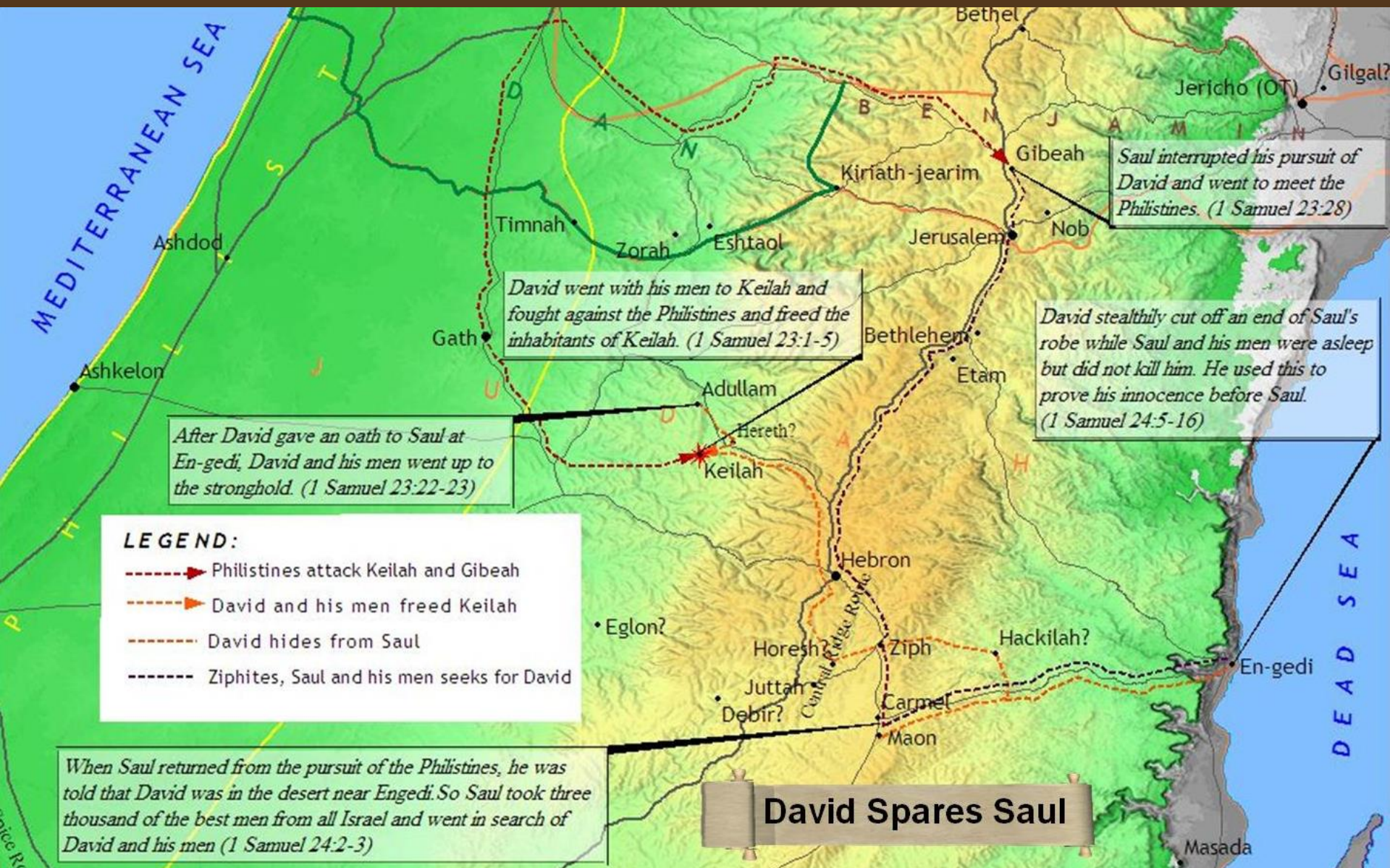
¹⁴So David said to him, "How was it you were not afraid to put forth your hand to destroy the LORD's

anointed?" ¹⁵Then David called one of the young men and said, "Go near, *and* execute him!" And he struck him so that he died. ¹⁶So David said to him, "Your blood *is* on your own head, for your own mouth has testified against you, saying, 'I have killed the LORD's anointed.'"

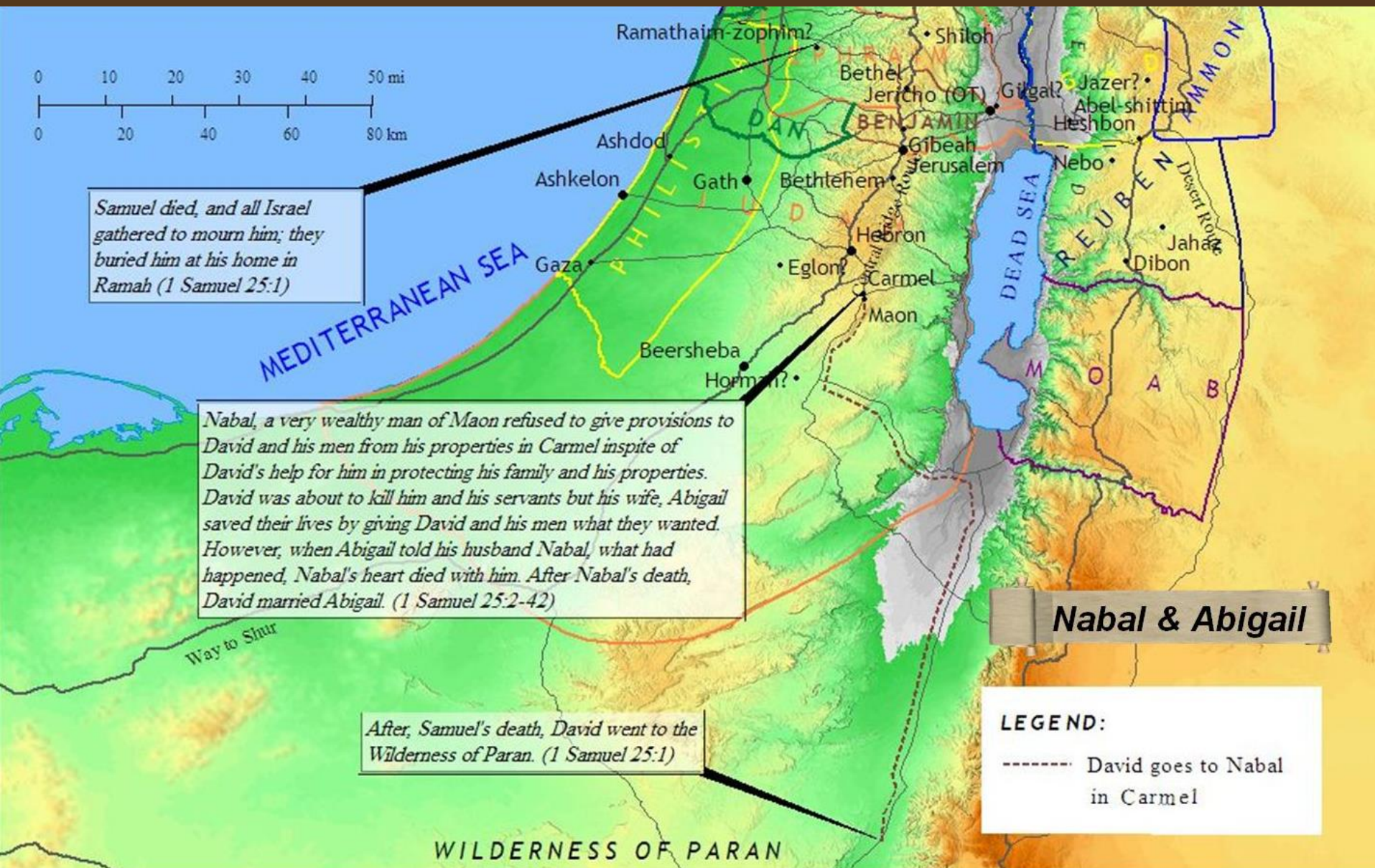
What Are the Highlights?

- Chapter 24
 - David spares Saul's life in the cave
 - Saul repents and goes home
- Chapter 25
 - Samuel dies. Israel mourns and buries him
 - Abigail spares David from shedding blood
 - David takes two more wives, Abigail and Ahinoam
- Chapter 26
 - Saul pursues David again. David spares Saul again
 - Saul repents again. Does David trust him?

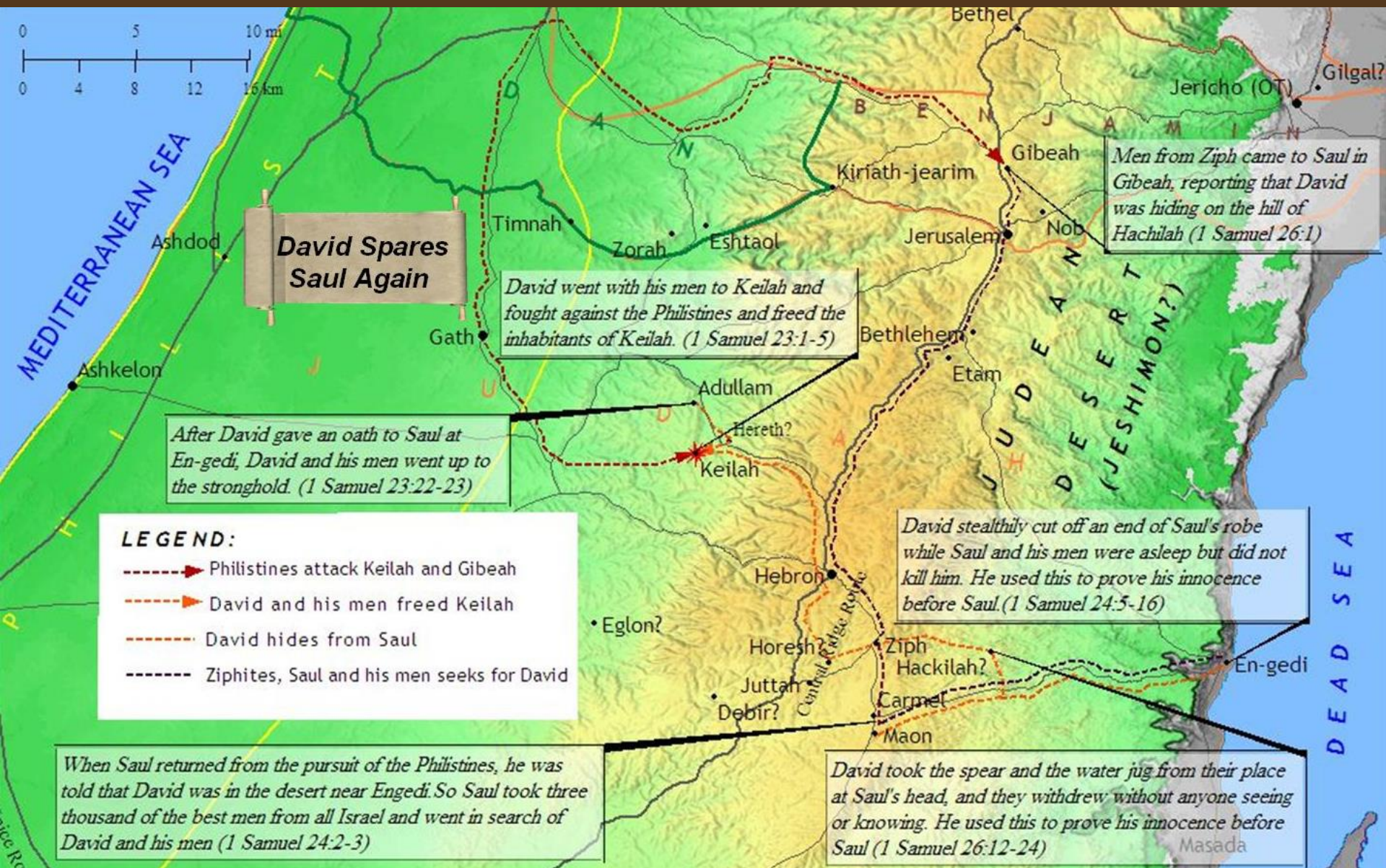
Chapter 24



Chapter 25



Chapter 26



Answer Plainly in Few Words

1. Why would David not put forth his hand against Saul? -----
2. What proverb did David quote? -----
3. What did David swear unto Saul? -----
4. Mention three things that Israel did when Samuel died? -----

5. Where did David go following Samuel's death? -----
6. What did Abigail take to David? -----

7. What did Abigail say when told that she was to be David's wife? -----

8. Where did the Ziphites tell Saul that David was hiding? -----

9. What did David and Abishai take from Saul while he slept? -----

10. According to David who were saying to him, "Go serve other gods"? -----

Fill in Blanks With Proper Words

1. Hearing that David was in Engedi, Saul took thousand men and went to seek him upon the of the wild
2. David asked, "After whom is the of Israel come out? after whom dost thou? after a dead, after a"
3. told, "I know that thou shalt surely be, and that the kingdom of Israel shall be established in"
4. Nabal was a man in whose was in Carmel.
5. Abigail was of a good and of a countenance, but Nabal was and in his doings.
6. Nabal was sheep in when David sent young men to him for supplies.
7. hundred men prepared to go with David against Nabal while hundred abode by the
8. told that she had "kept me this day from, and from myself with mine own hand."
9. David took both and as wives; Saul had given Michal to
10. Saul said, "Behold, I have played the, and have exceedingly."

Write "True" or "False" in Blanks

- 1. David used the term "my father" in addressing Saul.
- 2. Saul said of David, "Thou art more righteous than I."
- 3. Saul said David's men "were a wall unto us."
- 4. Abigail asked Nabal's permission to take a present to David.
- 5. Nabal lived a month after Abigail took David the present.
- 6. Saul took three thousand men into the wilderness of Ziph seeking David.
- 7. Abner was the son of Zerurah.
- 8. There was a Hittite by the name of Ahimelech.
- 9. Joab and Abishai were brothers.
- 10. David compared Saul's seeking him to one's hunting a partridge.

Write “Yes” or “No” in Blanks

- 1. Did David’s heart smite him for something he did to Saul?
- 2. Did David tell Saul that “some bade me kill thee”?
- 3. Did Saul weep when David explained how he spared his life in the cave?
- 4. Did Nabal have more sheep than he did goats?
- 5. Did Nabal tell David’s messengers that he did not have the supplies?
- 6. Were there as many as four hundred swords with David’s men?
- 7. Did Abigail see David’s messengers when they came to Nabal?
- 8. Was the statement, “He became as a stone,” made of Saul?
- 9. Were Nabal’s servants always complimentary of him?
- 10. Was Abner present when David and Abishai went into Saul’s camp?

EXTRA

Who said, "Thou shalt never wash my feet"? ----- to whom
was he speaking? -----

Give the reference. -----