

# Give Us A King



*A Harmony of Samuel, Kings, and Chronicles*

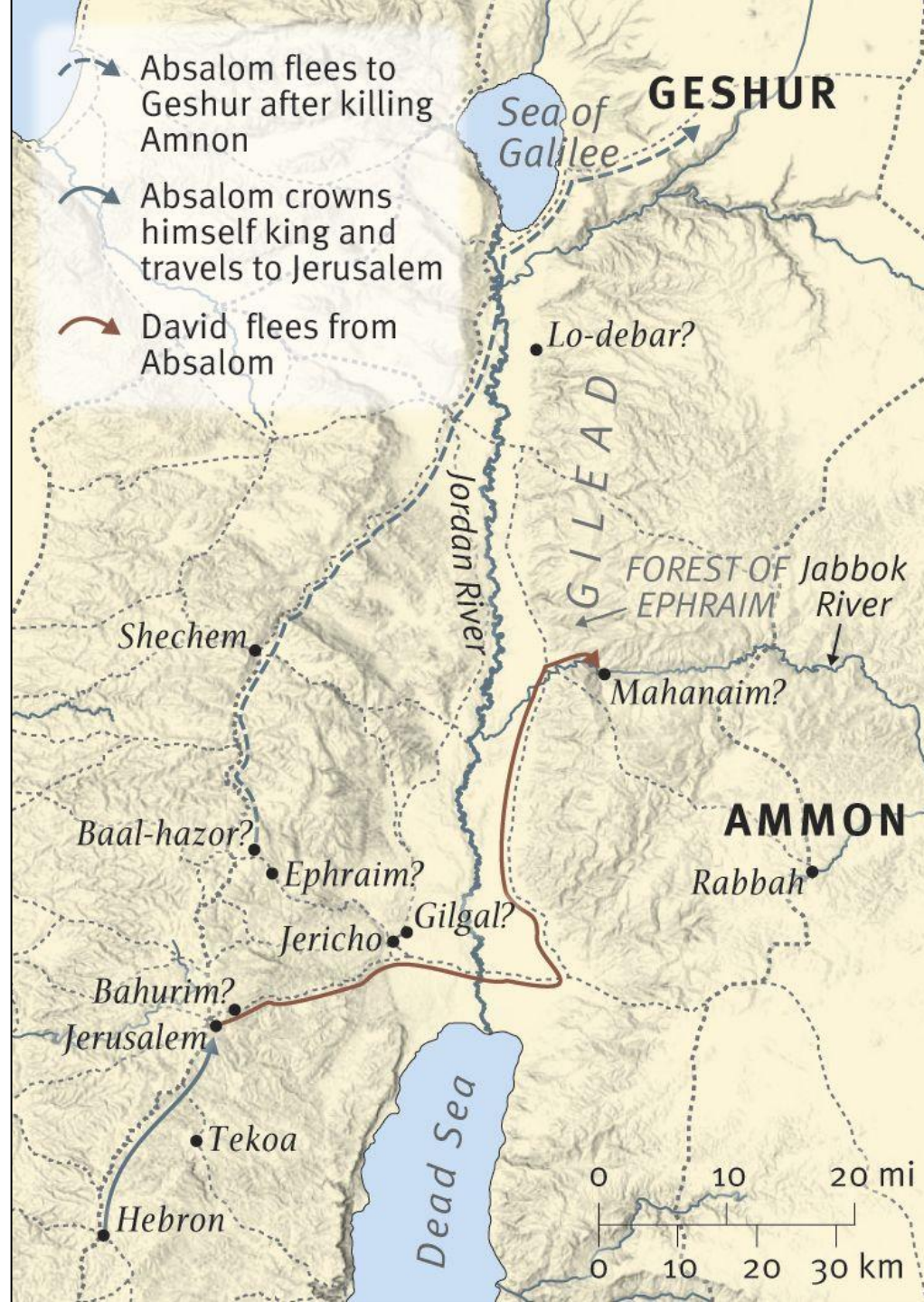
*Part 1*

*1-2 Samuel and 1 Chronicles*

# Trouble in David's House (2 Sam. 13-18)

## Two Important Principles

1. David's troubles are the direct result of the punishment and judgment for his sin (12:11)
2. David is passive and reacts to the problems around him; he is not active to resolve the problems around him (13:21, 25, 30-31, 37, 39; 14:21, 33; 15:13-14; 15:31; 16:11; 17:21-22; 18:1-5; 24-33)



# Applications for Today

1. Don't let anyone steal your heart and cause you to align yourself with what is wrong (15:6, 13; Rom. 16:18; 2 Pet. 2:3).
2. You cannot make everyone happy in life. Sometimes you will have supporters and sometimes you will have adversaries (15:19 – 16:14; 17:27-29; 1 Cor. 16:9; 2 Cor. 11:26; Gal. 2:4; 2 Thess. 3:1-2).

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3. True friends stick together even in difficult times (15:19-23; 18:2; Prov. 17:17).
4. Pray to the Lord that he will work providentially to bring about what is best for his people (15:31; 17:14, 23; Mt. 24:20-22).
5. Be careful about making rash decisions without getting all the facts (16:4; Prov. 18:13).

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6. Don't render evil for evil, but good for evil (16:9-14; Rom. 12:21; 1 Thess. 5:15).
7. The best way to be remembered is by leaving behind a good reputation and character, not by building a physical monument to yourself (18:18; Prov. 22:1; 27:2).
8. Speak the truth even when it is hard to do so (18:31-32; Zech. 8:16; Eph. 4:15).