



I Samuel
Looking for a King

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Octavius Winslow “Evening Thoughts”

"I tell you the truth, you can go directly to the Father and ask Him--and He will grant your request because you use My name." John 16:23

That God should have erected in this lower world a throne of grace--a mercy-seat, around which may gather, in clustering and welcome multitudes . . .

the *helpless*,

the *burdened*,

the *friendless*,

the *vile*,

the *guilty*,

the deeply *necessitous*



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that no poor comer, be . . .

his poverty ever so great,

his burden ever so heavy, or

his case ever so desperate,

should meet with the refusal of a hearing or a welcome--does greatly
develop and magnify the riches of . . .

His grace,

His wisdom, and

His love to sinners.



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What a God our God must be, thus to have appointed a meeting-place--an audience-chamber, for those upon whom all other doors were closed!

But more than this--that He should have appointed Jesus as the *door* of approach to that throne--that He should have given His only-begotten and well-beloved Son to be the "new and living way" of access--thus removing all obstruction in the path of the soul's coming, both on the part of Himself, and on the part of the sinner; that the *door* should be a crucified Savior, the wounds of the Son of God--that through blood, and that blood, the blood of the incarnate Deity, the guilty should approach! **Wonder, O heavens, and be astonished, O earth!**



Prayer & Praise





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1 Samuel 25

Lev. 19:18, Do not seek revenge or bear a grudge against anyone among your people, but love your neighbor as yourself. I am the LORD.

Pro. 20:22, Do not say, “I’ll pay you back for this wrong!” Wait for the LORD, and he will avenge you.

Rom. 12:19, Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God’s wrath, for it is written: “It is mine to avenge; I will repay,” says the Lord.



1 Peter 3:9, Not returning evil for evil or insult for insult, but giving a blessing instead; for you were called for the very purpose that you would inherit a blessing.

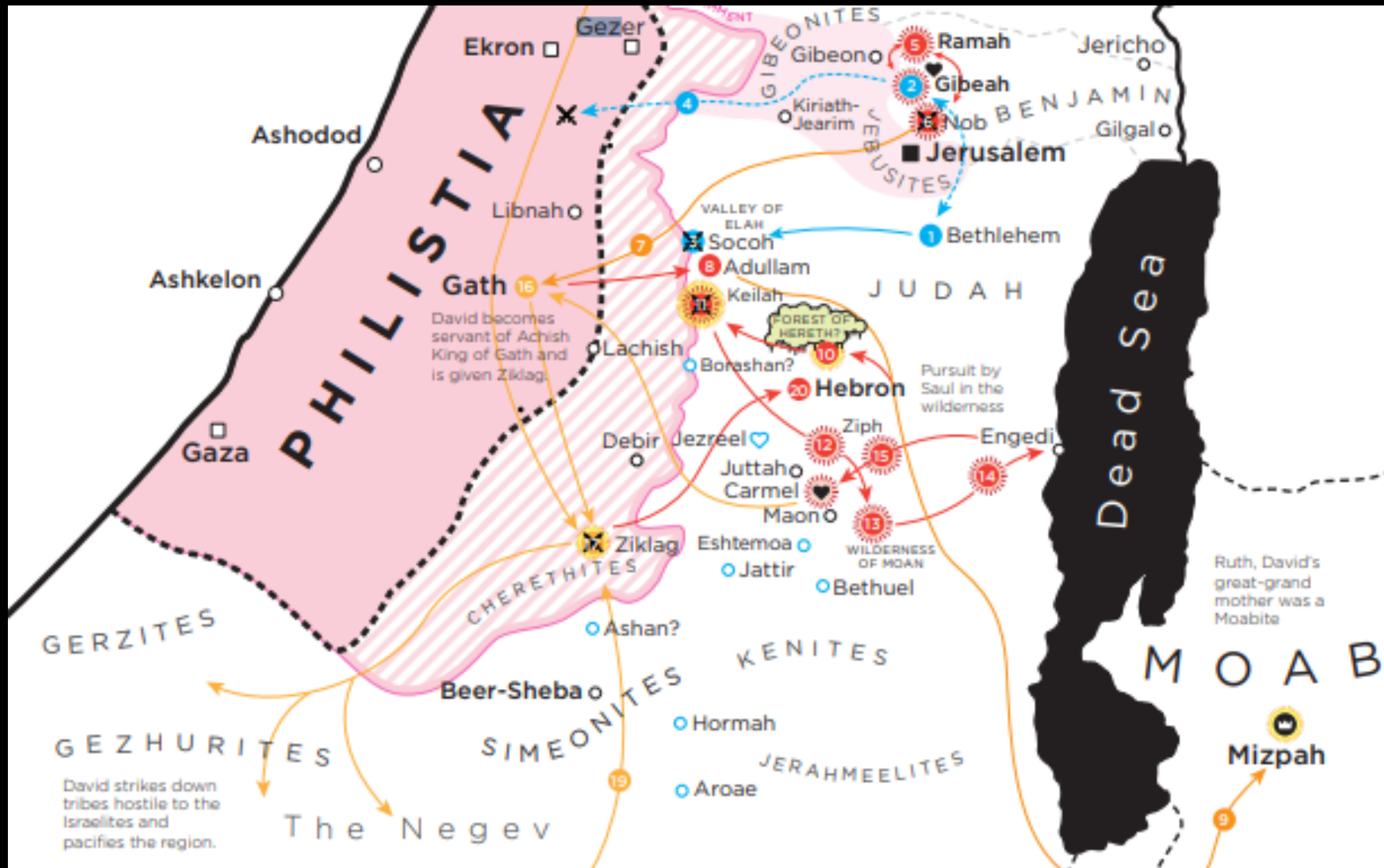
1 Thess. 5:15, See that no one repays another with evil for evil, but always seek what is good for one another and for all people.



Vengeance is Mine

1. Individuals
2. Interactions
3. Implications





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1. Individuals
 - Nabal
 - Abigail
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- Who will be humble?
- Who will listen?

3. Implications



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Vs. 26: the LORD (Yahweh), has restrained you from shedding blood, and avenging.

Vs. 28: the LORD will give you an enduring house.

Vs. 28: you are fighting the LORD's battles

Vs. 29: your life is bound up in the LORD.

Vs. 30: the LORD will fulfill His promises to you.



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 - Judgement of God
 - Preservation of God
 - Conduct honoring of God





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