

Becoming a Mighty Man of Valor

2 Samuel 23



**Valor: strength of mind or spirit that enables a person to encounter danger with firmness:
personal bravery**



1. Josheb-Basshebeth

8, He wielded his spear against eight hundred whom he killed at one time.



2. Eleazar

10, He rose and struck down the Philistines until his hand was weary, and his hand clung to the sword.



3. Shammah

11-12, There was a plot of ground full of lentils, and the people fled from the Philistines. But he took his stand in the midst of the plot, defended it and struck the Philistines.



1. Abishai

18, He raised his spear against three hundred men, whom he killed.



2. Benaiah



2 Sam. 23:20-23, Benaiah son of Jehoiada, a valiant fighter from Kabzeel, performed great exploits. He struck down Moab's two mightiest warriors. He also went down into a pit on a snowy day and killed a lion.

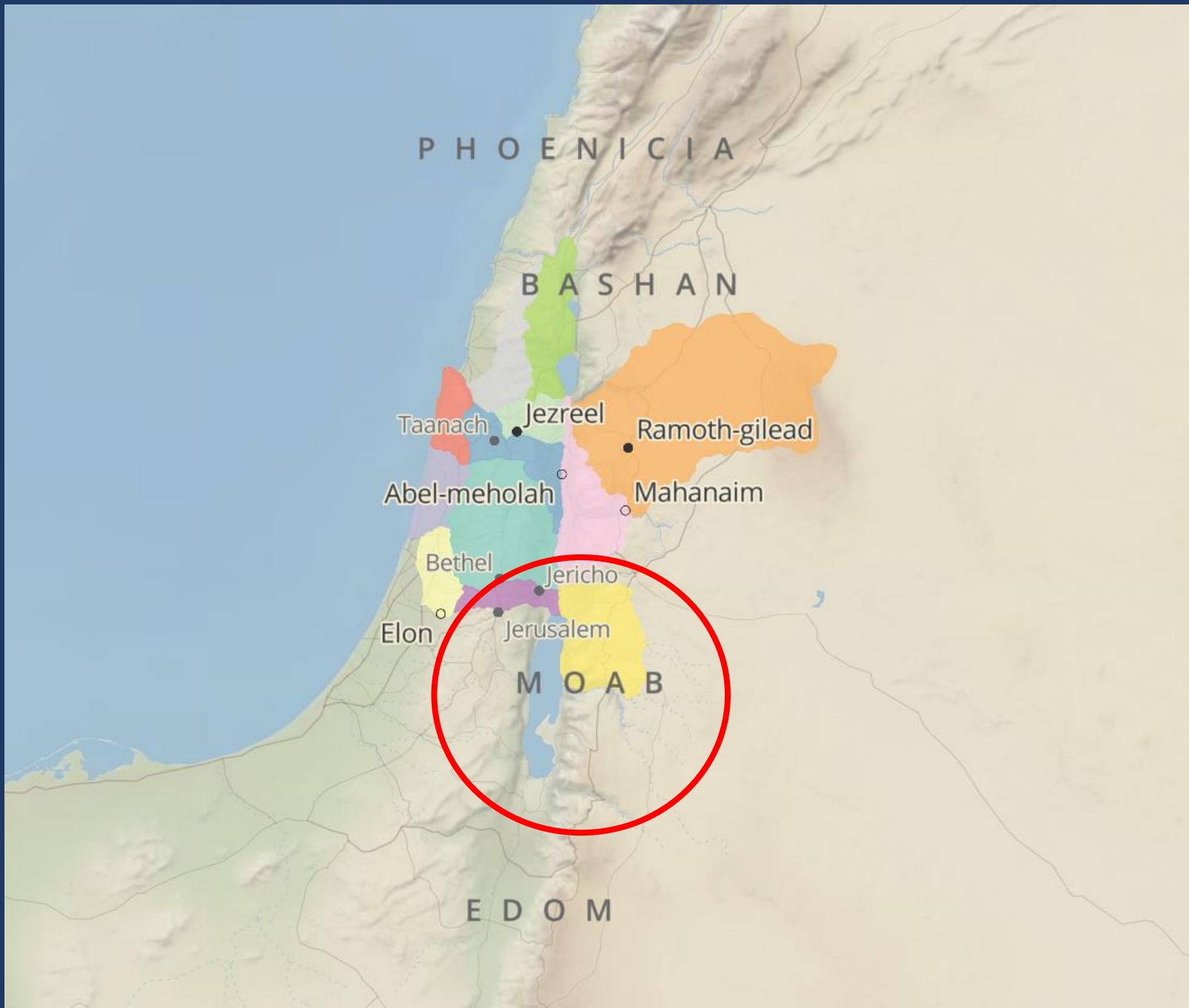


21 And he struck down a huge Egyptian. Although the Egyptian had a spear in his hand, Benaiah went against him with a club. He snatched the spear from the Egyptian's hand and killed him with his own spear.



22 Such were the exploits of Benaiah son of Jehoiada; he too was as famous as the three mighty warriors. 23 He was held in greater honor than any of the Thirty, but he was not included among the Three. And David put him in charge of his bodyguard.







Bravery

2 Tim. 1:7, God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love, and self-discipline.



Mt. 10:16, Behold I send you out as sheep in the midst of wolves; so be shrewd as serpents and innocent as doves.



Courage

Josh. 1:9, This is my command—be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.



Eph. 6:16, Take up the shield of faith with which you will be able to extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one.



Eph. 6:17, And take the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.



Loyalty

Lk. 16:13, “No servant can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be devoted to one and despise the other.”



Eph. 4:11, And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers.



Commitment



