

God Disciplines His People

1 Samuel 4:2-11



Key Concept

God disciplines His people when they trust anything other than Him.

**Hannah prays for a son, and
the Lord hears her prayer
(1 Sam 1)**

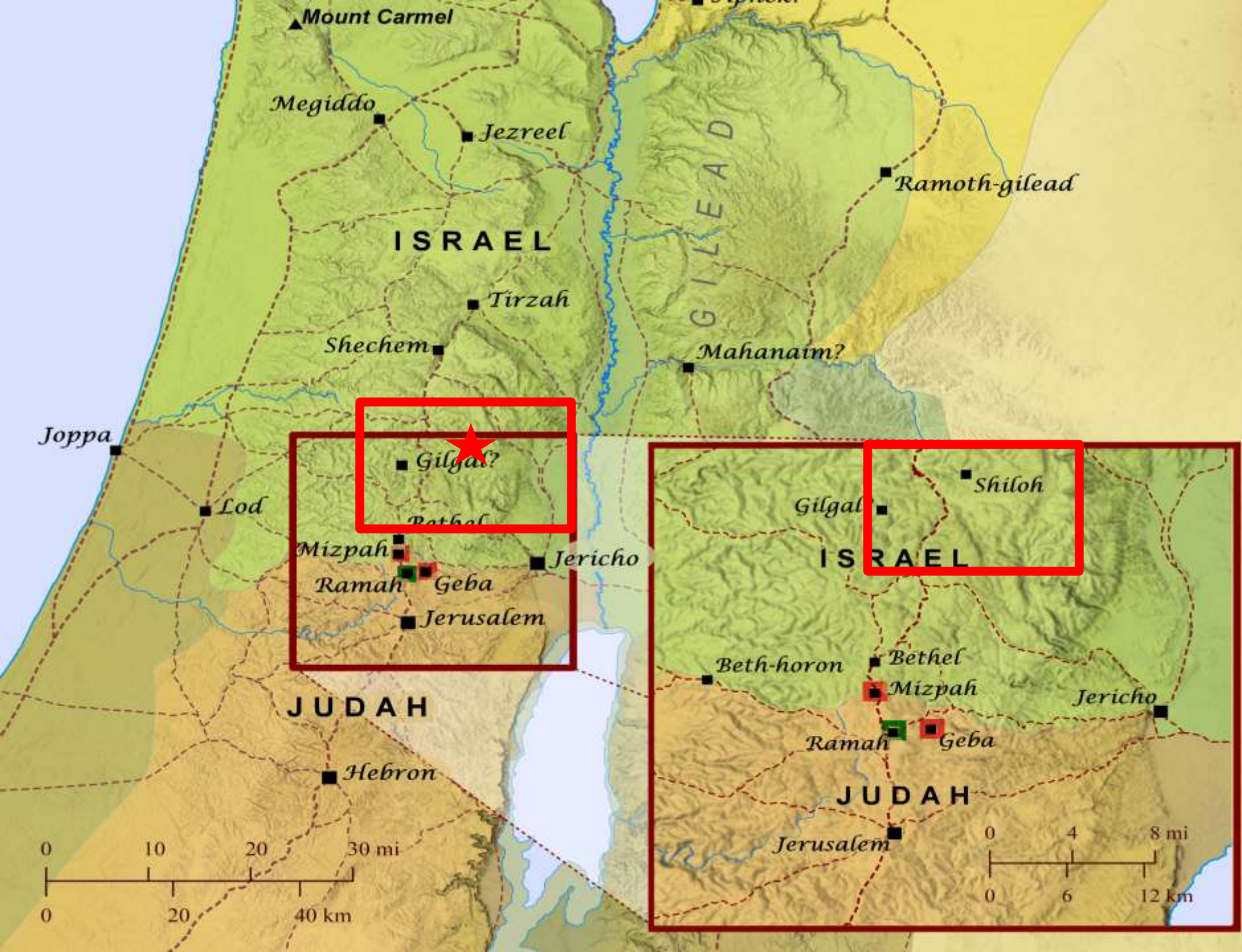
**God judges the Philistines
(1 Sam 5)**

**God calls Samuel and gives
him a message for Eli
(1 Sam 3)**

**A prophet confronts Eli's
house for dishonoring the
sacrifices
(1 Sam 2)**

**Today's Lesson
Judgment falls on
Eli's household
(1 Sam 4)**

**The Philistines return
the Ark
(1 Sam 6)**

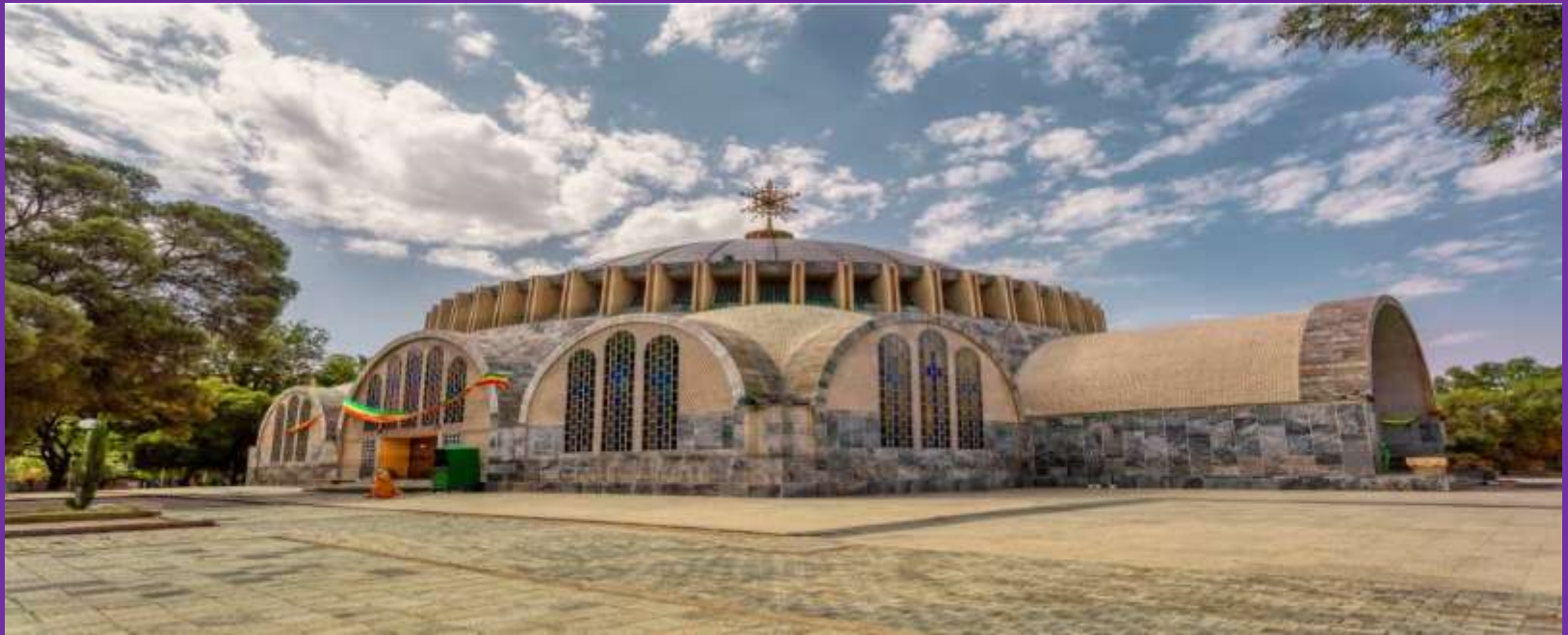


Ancient ruins of temple at Ashdod



Discovery

Modern theologians widely believe the Ark of the Covenant is currently in the treasury of the Church of Our Lady Mary of Zion in Axum, Ethiopia taken there around ~ 10th century BC.



Maybe consider some good advice!

Trust in God

“Blessed is the man who trust in the Lord” (Jer 17-7)

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart” (Pro 3:5)

“In God I trust; I shall not be afraid.” (Psa (56:4)

“Trust in the Lord forever” (Isa 26:4)

“Trust in the Lord, and do good;” (Psa 37:3)

“Trust in Him at all times” (Psa 62:8)

Food for Thought:

Trusting in God will cause the following:

- 1. Peace and Calm**
- 2. Direction and Guidance**
- 3. Strengthen Faith**
- 4. Personal Growth**
- 5. Contentment**
- 6. Increased Confidence**
- 7. God's love and support**

A different kind of Ark...

13 May 25. Scientist have located the ark in eastern Turkey — roughly 18 miles south of Mount Ararat. Ground radar scans confirm 3 decks, 13ft tunnel thru the middle, lower decks with quarters, door located



**in the side,
same
dimensions
as listed in
Gen 6:15 for
the ark's
construction**