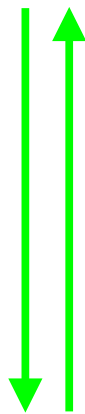


# Jephthah's Chiastic Career

A Leader Gained & Lost	10:17-11:11 (13 vv)		12:7 (1v)
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Divine Deliverance	11:32-33 the Lord delivered them		

# What did Jephthah Vow?

Ex. 13:11 And it shall be when the LORD shall bring thee into the land of the Canaanites, as he swore unto thee and to thy fathers, and shall give it thee, 12 That thou shalt set apart **unto the LORD** ליהוה all that openeth the matrix, and every firstling that cometh of a beast which thou hast; the males shall be **the LORD'S** ליהוה. 13 And every firstling of an ass thou shalt redeem with a lamb; and if thou wilt not redeem it, then thou shalt break his neck: and all the firstborn of man among thy children shalt thou redeem.

Num 3:11 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 12 And I, behold, I have taken the Levites from among the children of Israel instead of all the firstborn that openeth the matrix among the children of Israel: therefore the Levites shall be **mine** לי; 13 Because all the firstborn are mine; for on the day that I smote all the firstborn in the land of Egypt I hallowed unto me all the firstborn in Israel, both man and beast: **mine** לי shall they be: I am the LORD.

Josh. 9:23 Now therefore ye are cursed, and there shall none of you be freed from being bondmen, and hewers of wood and drawers of water **for** ל the house of my God.

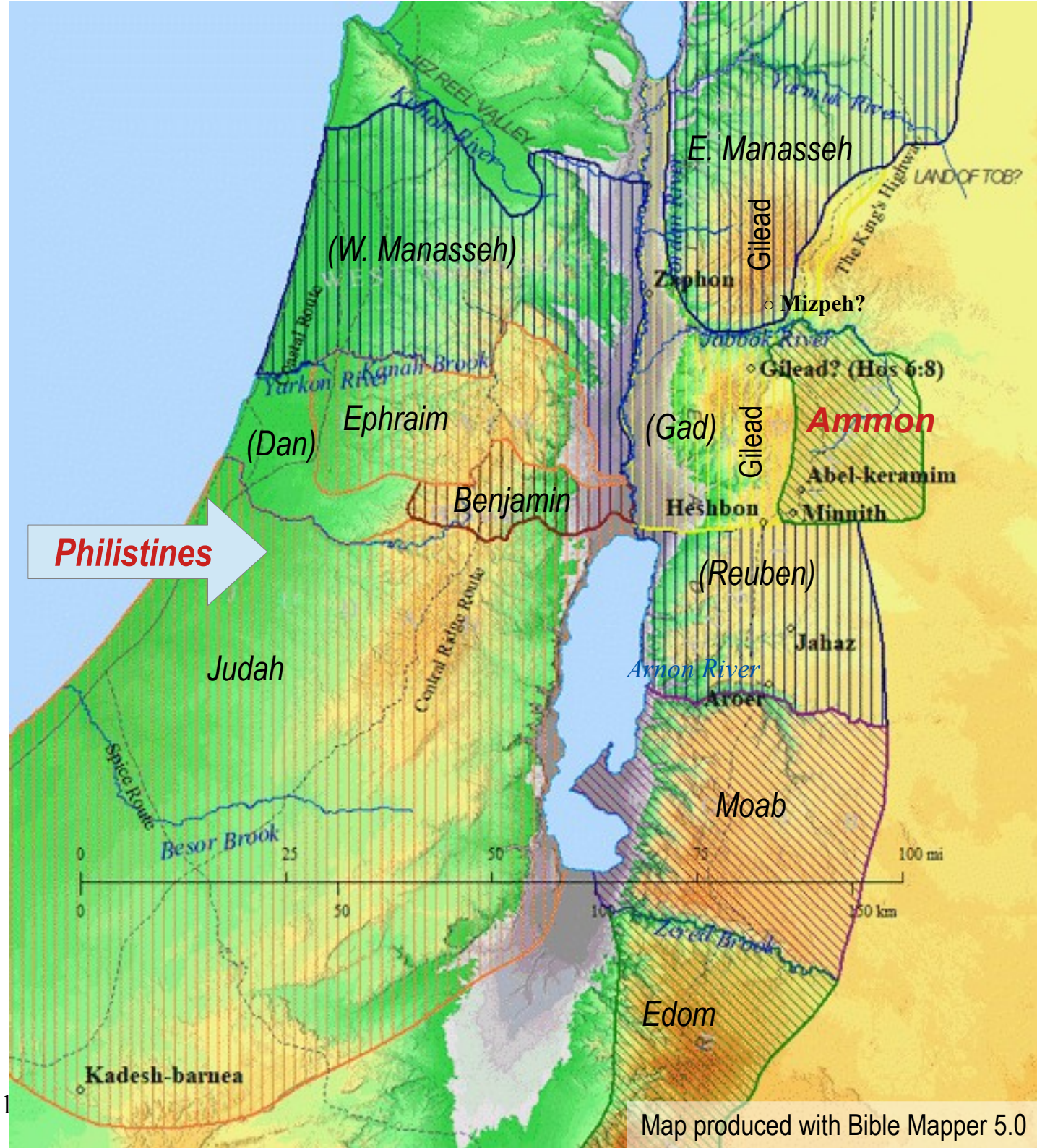
1Sam. 1:11 And she vowed a vow, and said, O LORD of hosts, if thou wilt indeed look on the affliction of thine handmaid, and remember me, and not forget thine handmaid, but wilt give unto thine handmaid a man child, then **I will give him unto the LORD** all the days of his life, and there shall no razor come upon his head.

Deut. 12:29 When the LORD thy God shall cut off the nations from before thee, whither thou goest to possess them, and thou succeedest them, and dwellest in their land; 30 Take heed to thyself that thou be not snared by following them, ... 31 ... for every abomination to the LORD, which he hateth, have they done unto their gods; for **even their sons and their daughters they have burnt in the fire to their gods.**

1Sam. 1:24 And when she had weaned him, she took him up with her, **with three bullocks**, and one ephah of flour, and a bottle of wine, and brought him unto the house of the LORD in Shiloh: and the child was young. 25 And they slew a bullock, and brought the child to Eli.

# Geography of Jephthah

11:33 And [Jephthah] smote [the children of Ammon] from **Aroer**, even till thou come to **Minnith**, even twenty cities, and unto the plain of the vineyards (**Abel Keramim**), ...



# The Piety of Jephthah's Daughter

34 his daughter came out to meet him **with timbrels and with dances:**

Ex. 15:20 And Miriam the prophetess, the sister of Aaron, took a timbrel in her hand; and all the women went out after her **with timbrels and with dances.**

36 And she said unto him, My father, if thou hast opened thy mouth unto the LORD, do to me according to **that which hath proceeded out of thy mouth**

Num. 30:1 And Moses spake unto the heads of the tribes concerning the children of Israel, saying, This is the thing which the LORD hath commanded. 2 If a man vow a vow unto the LORD, or swear an oath to bind his soul with a bond; he shall not break his word, he shall do according to **all that proceedeth out of his mouth.**

forasmuch as the **LORD hath taken vengeance** for thee of thine enemies,

Deu 32:35 **To me belongeth vengeance,** and recompence;

# Some Helpful References

What became of Jephthah's daughter?

Ex. 38:8 And he made the laver of brass, and the foot of it of brass, of the lookingglasses of the women **assembling** [serving צבא H6633], which **assembled צבא** at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

1Sam. 2:22 Now Eli was very old, and heard all that his sons did unto all Israel; and how they lay with the women that **assembled צבא** at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

Num. 4:22 Take also the sum of the sons of Gershon, throughout the houses of their fathers, by their families; 23 From thirty years old and upward until fifty years old shalt thou number them; all that enter in **to perform the service צבא**, to do the work in the tabernacle of the congregation.

What did the daughters of Israel do?

Lament תנה H8567 = Rehearse: Judg 5:11 there shall they **rehearse** the righteous acts of the LORD, even the righteous acts toward the inhabitants of his villages in Israel

Compare 1Sam. 2:19 Moreover his mother made him a little coat, and brought it to him **from year to year**, when she came up with her husband to offer the yearly sacrifice.