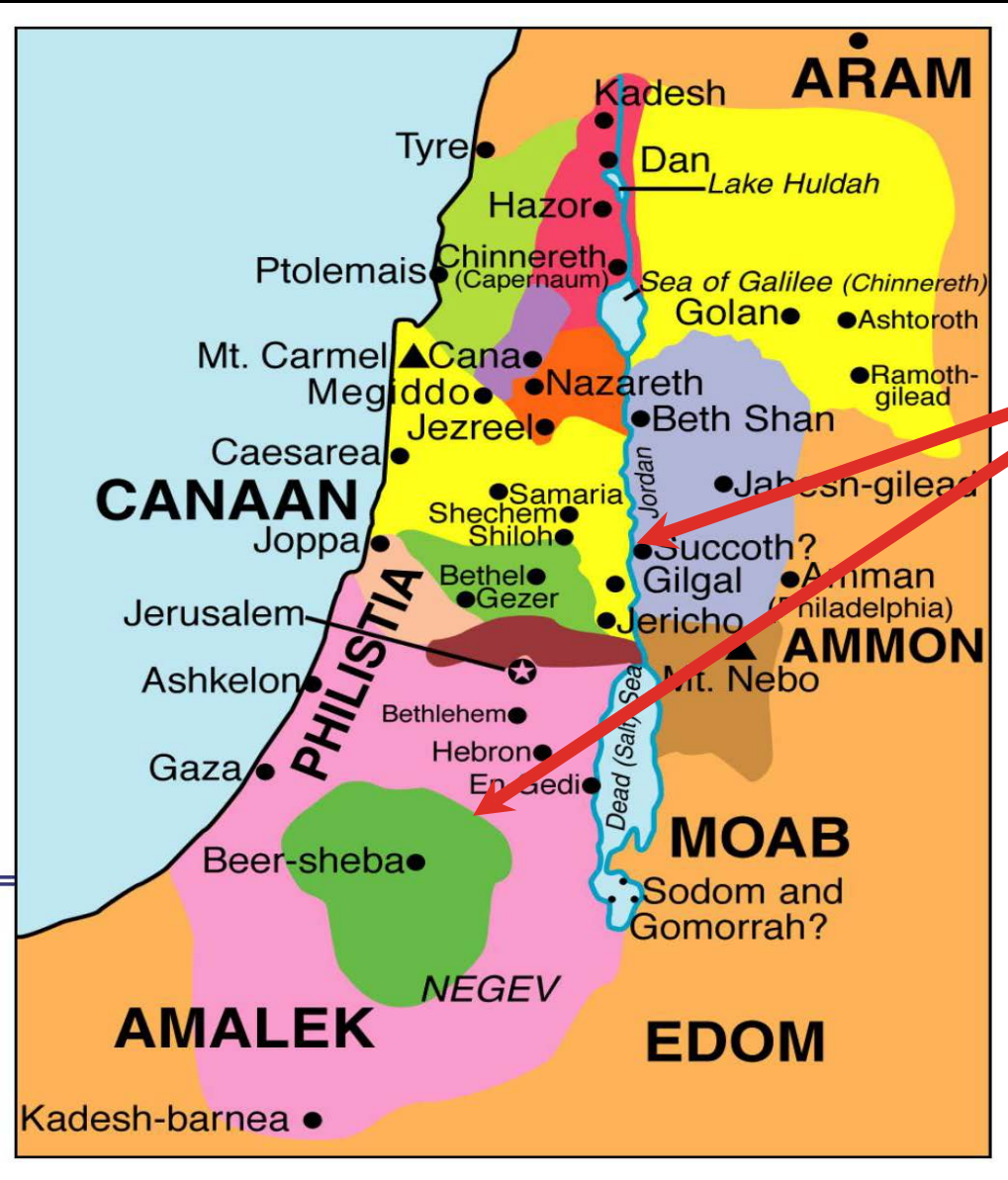


Choosing the Right King

1 Samuel 8:1-9, 18-22



Samuel's
"Circuit"

1. THEY HAD THE WRONG DEFINITION OF RIGHT

Their definition of right or good:

A. Desire to please others, not God.

- 1 Sam 8:5, 7. Matt 6:19-21

- Heart for God. 1 Sam 13:14, 2 Chron 16:9

B. Defined by conformity with the world.

- 1 Sam 8:19-20; 9:2, Rom 12:2, Phil 3:10

2. THEIR DECISION WAS BASED ON WHAT WAS LOGICAL, NOT WHAT GOD SAID

- A. Samuel's age and Samuel's sons
- B. It only makes sense to do it this way.
- C. Faith is not logical. It is an act of listening followed by obeying. 1 Sam 3:10, 21; 8:22
- D. Samuel prayed. The leaders did what they saw as right. 1 Sam 8:6, 21. Judges 21:25

3. WHAT WAS GOD'S WILL?.

A. That they choose Him.

B. Freedom is also His will.

1. Garden – He warned them. Gen 2:17

•What is this you have done? Gen 3:13

2. Warn them. 1 Sam 8:9, 18

4. CHOOSE THE RIGHT KING OF KINGS.

A. God send the right messenger to them – Samuel.

- He warned them about enslavement:
 1. He will take your sons, daughters
 2. He will take your best lands, your livestock
 3. He will tax you, tax you.

B. God sent the right King to us – the Christ.

- The King that will set us free.
 - John 10:10, Luke 4:18-19