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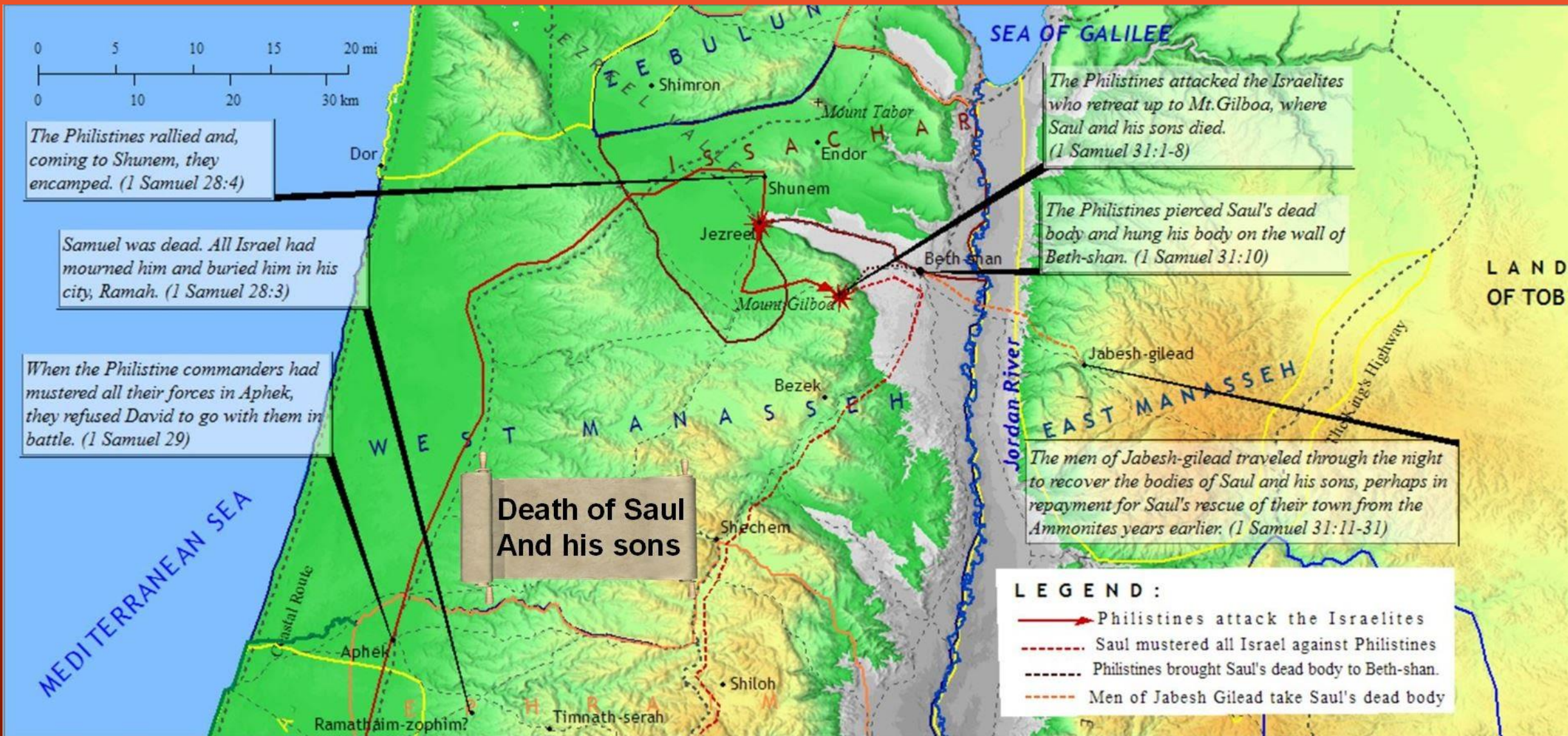
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- B. Majestically brilliant?
- C. Absolutely necessary?
- D. Desirable for long-term viewing?

### II. The Keeping of a Painful Promise

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    - a. Chapter 28: Saul / Chapters 29 & 30: David / Chapter 31: Saul
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1. Jer. 9:2-7

2. Acts 5:1-11

3. 1 Pet. 4:17

4. Endures Philistine occupation & praise of false gods

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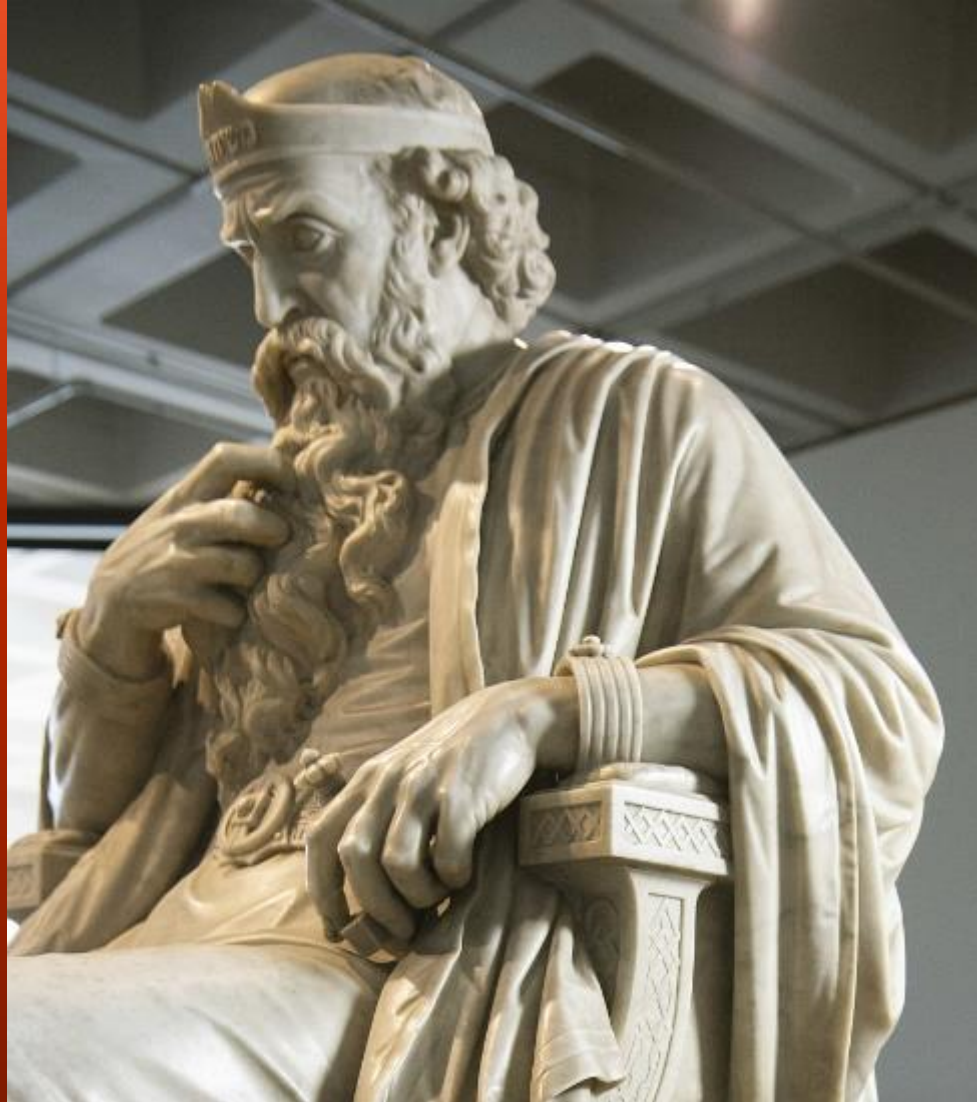
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E. Disobedience is bad. Don't substitute your agenda for God's.

F. Run toward the God who judges . . . and find His mercy.

1. Jude 1:24-25