

THE STUDY OF

GENESIS

"IN THE BEGINNING GOD CREATED
THE HEAVENS AND THE EARTH."

Rightly Ordered Compassions

Genesis 18:16-33

v.1 Waiting In The Oasis

Mamre (מַמְרֵי mam·rê)

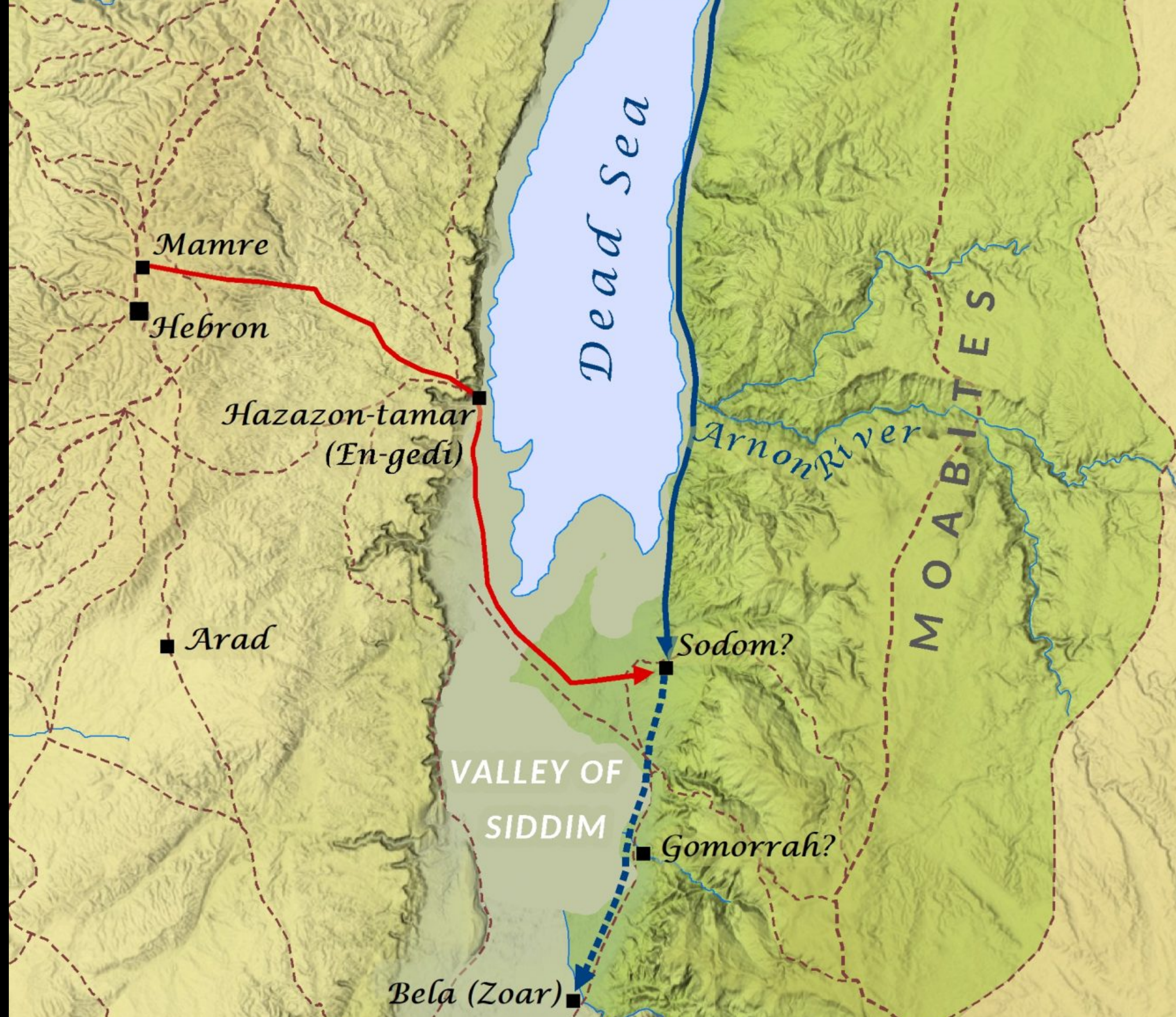
Strong's Hebrew 4471: Mamre = 'strength' or 'fatness' an oak grove on Mamre's land where Abraham dwelt

- Abraham waited for the promises of God in a place of rest and strength.

v.3-8 Service With A Smile

Serving the Lord Like Abraham

- with honor (v.2-3)
- with diligence & speed (v.2,6 & 7)
- with our best (v.6-8)
- with enthusiasm (v.2-8)





v.17-18 Should Abraham Know?

- God models out friendship, righteousness, and judgment for Abe to see and to follow. The Heavenly Father shows Abe how to be a great nation.
- Blessing and obedience walk hand in hand.

v.19 Abraham NEEDS to Know!

- God knows what Abraham needed.
- For Abraham to understand correct righteousness and judgment, God invites him into His process and plan.
- If Abraham does as God does, he will be a blessing.

The Legacy of Two Fathers

Max Jukes Vs Jonathan Edwards

-A clear pattern is recognized in comparing the legacies of two men. One who was righteous and loved the Lord, and one who was lost and loved sin.

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Max Jukes Legacy

- 50% were paupers or died in infancy.
- 50 women were prostitutes.
- 400 were physically wrecked from bad life decisions
- 7 were murderers

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Max Jukes Legacy

- 60 were habitual criminals who spent an average of 12 years each in prison
- 130 with criminal records.

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Jonathan Edwards Legacy

- 1 U.S. Vice President (Aaron Burr)
- 3 U.S. Senators
- 3 Governors
- 3 Mayors
- 13 College Presidents

The Legacy of Two Fathers

Jonathan Edwards Legacy

- 30 Judges
- 65 College Professors
- 80 Public Office Holders
- 100 Lawyers
- 100 missionaries, pastors and theologians.

Vs20-25 God Is Loving & Just

- He is willing to wait for the sake of the righteous.
- He always does what is right.
- He wants us to see what He does, and then do likewise. Jesus is our perfect example.

Vs26-33 Rightly Ordered Compassions

- Is God's Word and Way first? (Duet 6:4-7; Matt 22:37-40; Mark 12:30)
- Our love for God should direct our love for people. If it is the other way around, we are headed for ruin.
- How are your compassions ordered? Is your heart in line with God's?

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Abraham's Chronology:

Age 75 (Gen. 12:1-5; 13:16) (Sarai = 65).

- Father a great nation (the Jews)
- Possess a specific land
- Be blessed above all nations
- Through them, all nations would be blessed
- Gospel to Abraham (Gal. 3:8)

Land Covenant - “unconditional”
geographical boundaries (Gen. 12:7;
13:14-15; 15:18-21), temporary exile as
a “conditional” part of the covenant
(Deut. 30:1-10)

Age 86 (Gen. 16:16) Abe and Hagar had
Ishmael,

Age 99 (Gen. 17:1, 17:17) changed his name to Abraham, reiterated the covenant and added that Kings would come from his line, and circumcision as a sign

Age 100 (Gen. 21:5) Abraham fathers Isaac with Sarah

Gen. 22 Gospel type, God speaks and swore He would fulfill these promises by Himself, 1st Love and Lamb

Age 137 (**Gen. 23:1**) Abraham's wife Sarah dies

Age 140 (**Gen. 25:20**) Abraham's son Isaac marries Rebekah

Age 175 (**Gen. 25:7**)²⁴ Abraham dies