

Judges

broken people :: faithful God

Up date...

- **Samuel...**
 - **From Dan to Beersheba...**
 - **Israel KNEW there was a confirmed prophet of the Lord (3:20)**
 - **4:1 – the Word of the Lord came...**
 - **And the Philistines show up!!!**

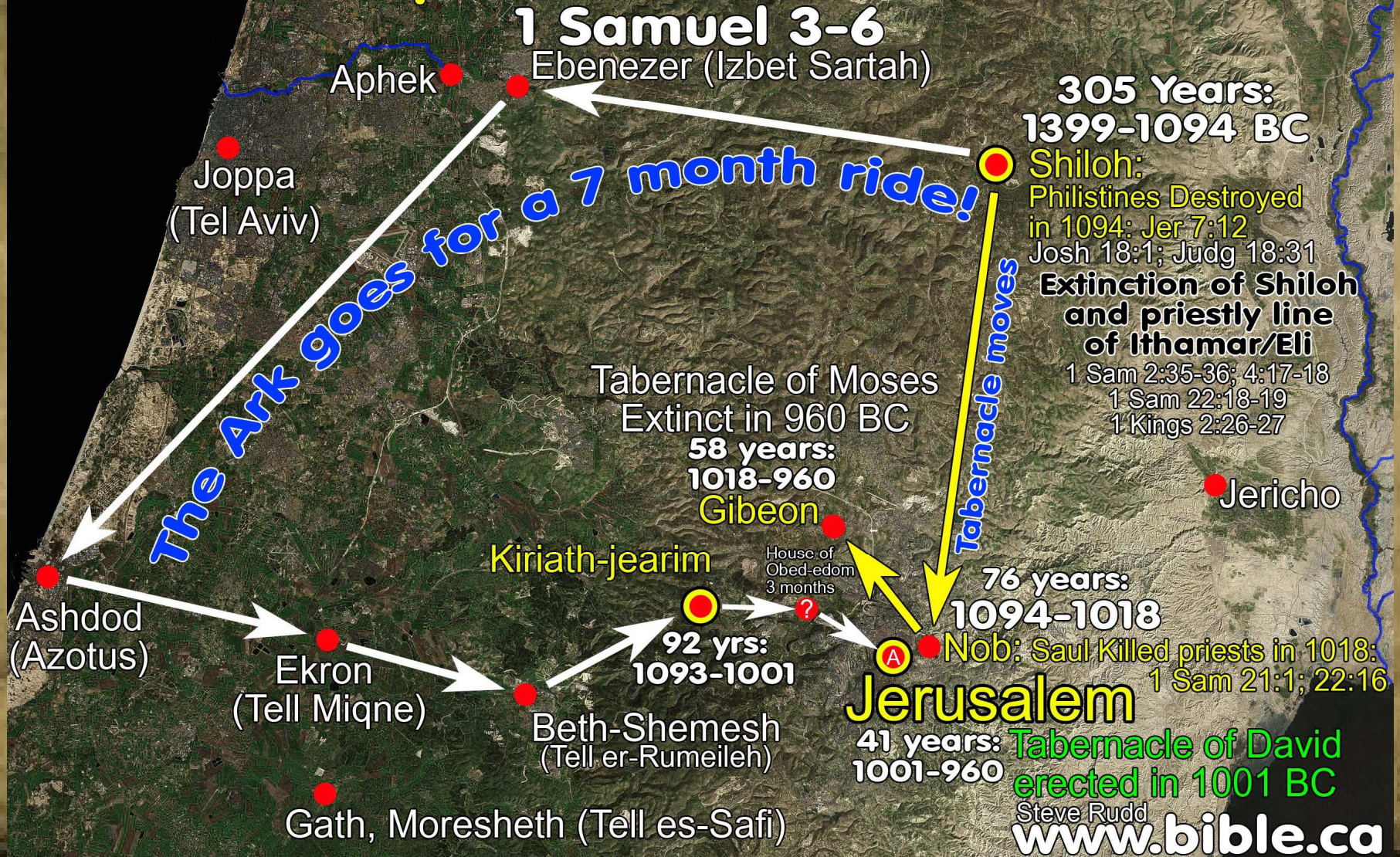
Short version

- **Israel goes out to fight:**
 - **Vs. 2 – 4,000 die**
 - **The get an idea, “let’s get the Ark!”**
 - **Vs. 10 – 30,000 die! Ark taken...**
 - **Hophni and Phineas DIE...**
 - **Eli gets the news and falls over dead**
 - **“ICHABOD” born... glory has departed**

Short version

- **Ark of God vs Dagon (ch 5)**
 - **Dagon falls, 1st time (3)**
 - **Dagon falls 2x, and is broken (4)**
 - **Severe pestilence falls on the people**
 - **The send it back on a cart... (10-6-6:16)**
 - **Beth-shemesh men get curious...**
 - **50,000 die! Worse than the battle... (19)**

Philistines capture Ark of Covenant in 1094 BC



Samuel takes charge

- **Kirath-jearim, ark will remain here...**
 - **Vs. 3 - Call for a cleansing – return, remove, direct your hearts, serve Him alone**
 - **Vs. 5 - Call for a fast, Mizpah**
 - **And the Philistines show up, again!**
 - **BUT, God thunders! Vs 8-11**

Remember!

- **Samuel builds a monument:**
 - **Ebenezer – so far has the Lord helped!**
 - **Hand of the Lord against the enemy (13)**
 - **Vs. 14 – cities restored! Peace**
- **Samuel the circuit rider!**
 - **Bethel, Gidal, Mizpah...**
 - **He builds an altar in Ramah**

Israel asks for a King!

- **Samuel was old... (ch 8)**
 - **Time has passed...**
 - **Sons Joel, Abijah...dishonest! (3)**
 - **Our greatest work is to teach the next generation who God is...**
- **Israel's fatal choice...**
 - **Give us a king to judge us... (6)**
 - **Samuel prays...**