

# Divided Kingdom

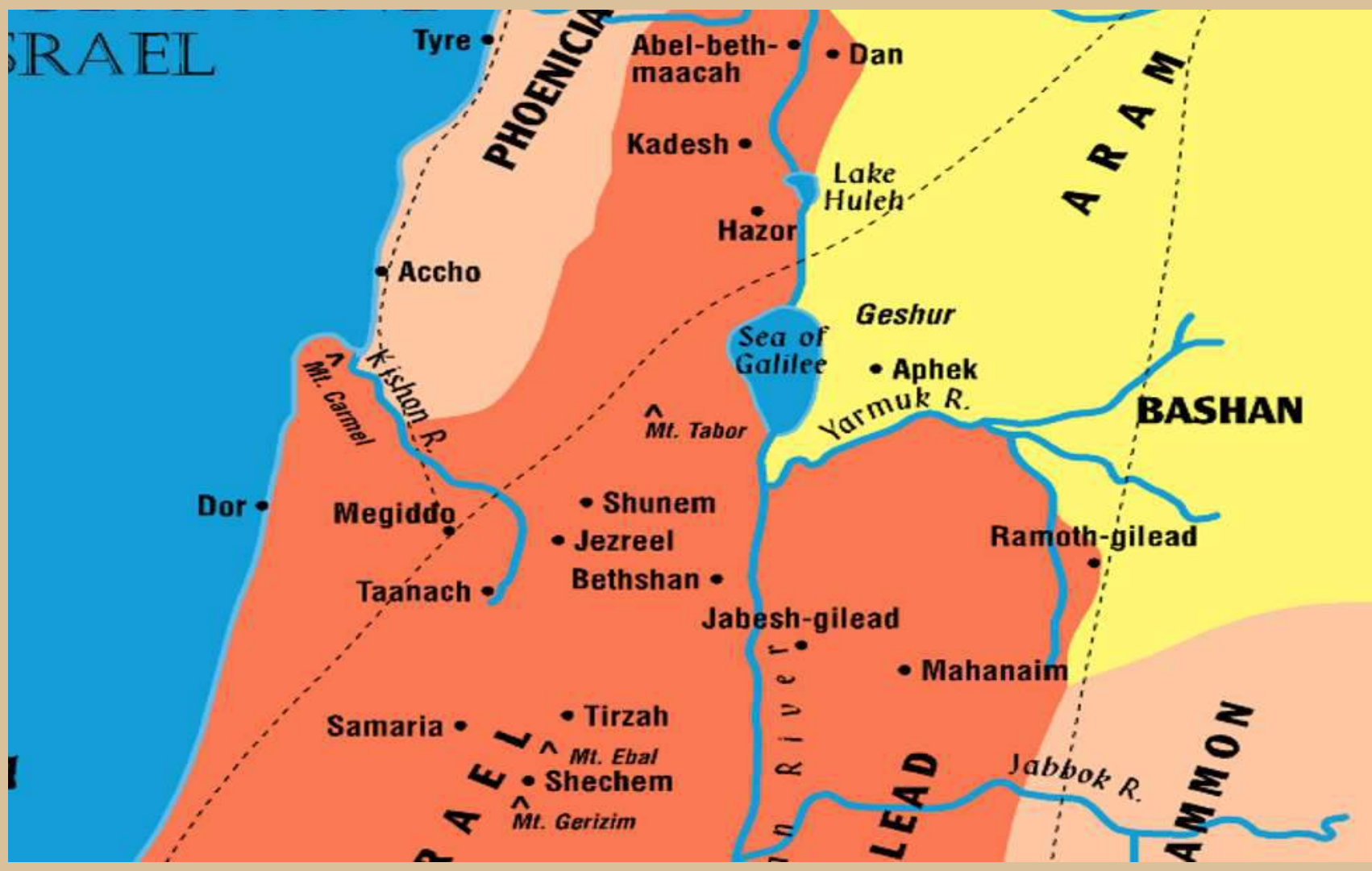
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Lesson 4 - The End of Ahab  
1<sup>st</sup> Kings 20-22

# DIVIDED KINGDOM IN THE DAYS OF REHOBOAM OF JUDAH AND JEROBOAM OF ISRAEL



ISRAEL



PHOENICIA

ARAM

BASHAN

AMMON

ISRAEL

LEAD

Mt. Carmel

Mt. Tabor

Mt. Ebal  
Mt. Gerizim

Jordan River

Tyre

Abel-beth-maacah

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## Lesson 4: The End of Ahab

### 1<sup>st</sup> Kings 20-22

#### God gives Ahab victory over Syria (Aram)

- **Ben-Hadad lays siege to Samaria**
- **Ahab capitulates**

1Ki 20:4 "My lord, O king, just as you say, I and all that I have are yours."  
(NKJV)

- **Ahab refuses Ben-Hadad's second demands**

1Ki 20:9 "Therefore he said to the messengers of Ben-Hadad, "Tell my lord the king, 'All that you sent for to your servant the first time I will do, but this thing I cannot do.'" (NKJV)

- **Ben-Hadad threatens annihilation**

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### 1<sup>st</sup> Kings 20-22

- **God's message to Ahab**

1Ki 20:13 “Suddenly a prophet approached Ahab king of Israel, saying, "Thus says the LORD: 'Have you seen all this great multitude? Behold, I will deliver it into your hand today, and you shall know that I am the LORD.'”

- **God's efforts to draw Israel back to faithfulness**

- **Had shown Baal's impotence with drought and famine**
- **Had manifested great power at Mt. Carmel**
- **Is now showing His power over their enemies**
- **Will continue to show His power through miracles**

## Lesson 4: The End of Ahab

### 1<sup>st</sup> Kings 20-22

- **Syria routed on the battlefield**
- **Syrians' misconception of God**

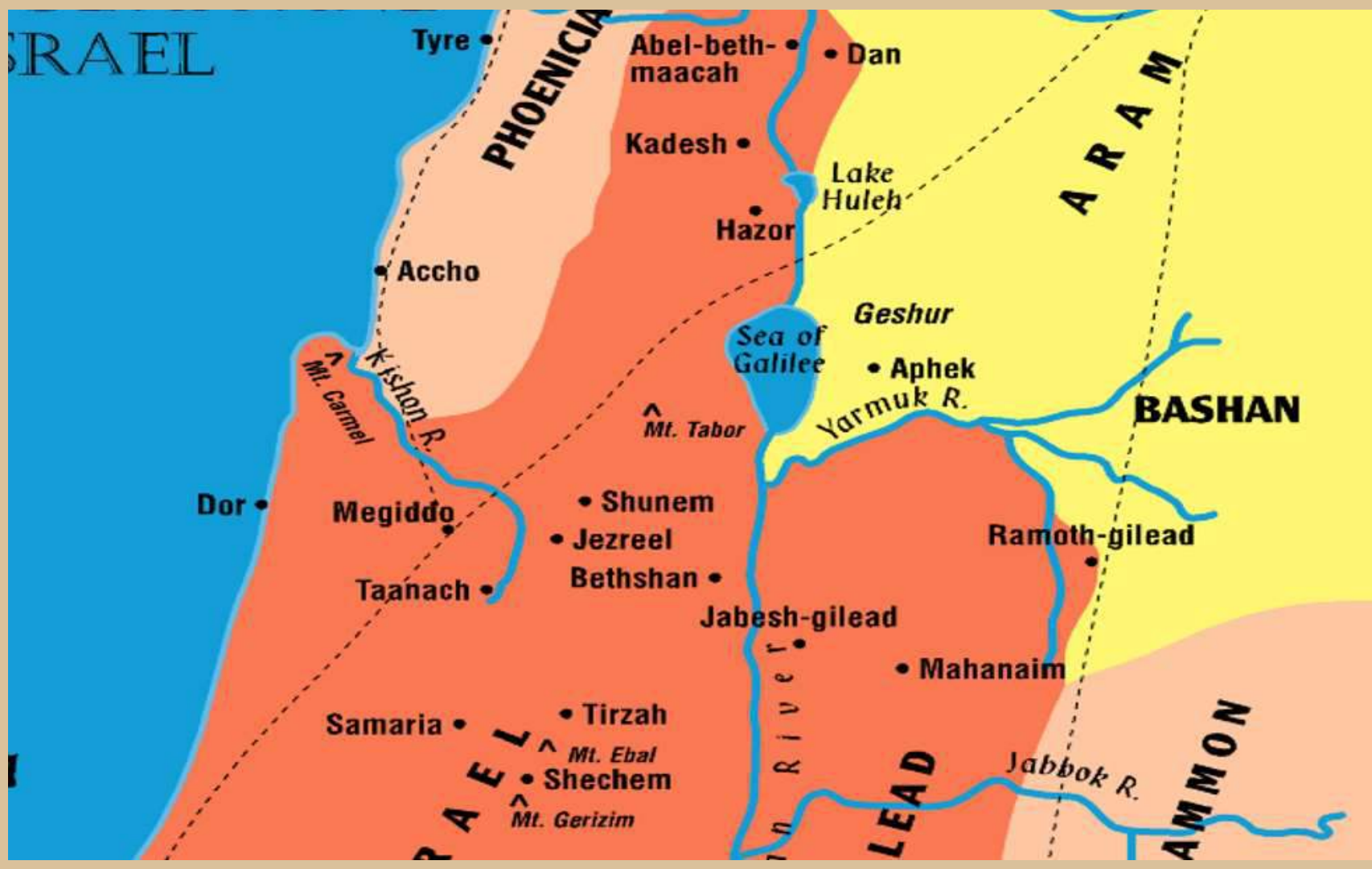
1Ki 20:23 Then the servants of the king of Syria said to him, "Their gods are gods of the hills. Therefore they were stronger than we; but if we fight against them in the plain, surely we will be stronger than they." (NKJV)

- **God again assures victory**

1Ki 20:28 Then a man of God came and spoke to the king of Israel, and said, "Thus says the LORD: 'Because the Syrians have said, "The LORD is God of the hills, but He is not God of the valleys," therefore I will deliver all this great multitude into your hand, and you shall know that I am the LORD.'" (NKJV)



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- **Syria again routed**
  - **Ahab makes a treaty with Ben-Hadad**

1Ki 20:32-34 So they wore sackcloth around their waists and put ropes around their heads, and came to the king of Israel and said, "Your servant Ben-Hadad says, 'Please let me live.'" And he said, "Is he still alive? He is my brother. Now the men were watching closely to see whether any sign of mercy would come from him; and they quickly grasped at this word and said, "Your brother Ben-Hadad." So he said, "Go, bring him." Then Ben-Hadad came out to him; and he had him come up into the chariot. So Ben-Hadad said to him, "The cities which my father took from your father I will restore; and you may set up marketplaces for yourself in Damascus, as my father did in Samaria." Then Ahab said, "I will send you away with this treaty."

## Lesson 4: The End of Ahab

### 1<sup>st</sup> Kings 20-22

- Prophet disguises himself
- Presents himself to Ahab
- God's message to Ahab

1Ki 20:41 And he hastened to take the bandage away from his eyes; and the king of Israel recognized him as one of the prophets.

42 Then he said to him, "Thus says the LORD: 'Because you have let slip out of your hand a man whom I appointed to utter destruction, therefore your life shall go for his life, and your people for his people.'"

43 So the king of Israel went to his house sullen and displeased, and came to Samaria."(NKJV)

## Lesson 4: The End of Ahab

### 1<sup>st</sup> Kings 20-22

- **Naboth refuses to sell his vineyard to Ahab**

1Ki 21:3 But Naboth said to Ahab, "The LORD forbid that I should give the inheritance of my fathers to you!" (NKJV)

- **The law protected his inheritance**

Nu 36:7 "So the inheritance of the children of Israel shall not change hands from tribe to tribe, for every one of the children of Israel shall keep the inheritance of the tribe of his fathers."

Le 25:23 ¶ "The land shall not be sold permanently, for the land is Mine; for you are strangers and sojourners with Me. And in all the land of your possession you shall grant redemption of the land. If one of your brethren becomes poor, and has sold some of his possession, and if his redeeming relative comes to redeem it, then he may redeem what his brother sold."

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### 1<sup>st</sup> Kings 20-22

- **Jezebel hatches a wicked plan to get the vineyard**

1Ki 21:7 Then Jezebel his wife said to him, "You now exercise authority over Israel! Arise, eat food, and let your heart be cheerful; I will give you the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite." (NKJV)

- **Naboth murdered**
- **Elijah pronounces Ahab's doom**

And you shall speak to him, saying, "Thus says the LORD: "In the place where dogs licked the blood of Naboth, dogs shall lick your blood, even yours.'" (NKJV)

1Ki 21:25 But there was no one like Ahab who sold himself to do wickedness in the sight of the LORD, because Jezebel his wife stirred him up. (NKJV)

- **Ahab humbles himself**

## Lesson 4: The End of Ahab

### 1<sup>st</sup> Kings 20-22

- Jehoshaphat persuaded to become Ahab's ally
- False prophets assure victory over the Syrians
- Micaiah brought before the kings

1Ki 22:7 And Jehoshaphat said, "Is there not still a prophet of the LORD here, that we may inquire of Him?" (NKJV)

- **God's message to Ahab**

1Ki 22:17 Then he said, "I saw all Israel scattered on the mountains, as sheep that have no shepherd. And the LORD said, "These have no master. Let each return to his house in peace." (NKJV)

1Ki 22:28 But Micaiah said, "If you ever return in peace, the LORD has not spoken by me." And he said, "Take heed, all you people!" (NKJV)

## Lesson 4: The End of Ahab

### 1<sup>st</sup> Kings 20-22

- **Ahab disguises himself for the battle**
- **Ahab receives a mortal wound**

Ga 6:7 “Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap.” (NKJV)

- **Ahab dies**

1Ki 22:38 “Then someone washed the chariot at a pool in Samaria, and the dogs licked up his blood while the harlots bathed, according to the word of the LORD which He had spoken.” (NKJV)

# Divided Kingdom: Kings of Israel

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  - Nadab - 2y
  - **Baasha** – 24y
  - Elah – 2y
  - **Zimri** – 1w
  - **Omri** – 12y
  - Ahab – 22y
  - Ahaziah – 2y
  - Jehoram (Joram) – 12y
  - **Jehu** – 28y
  - Jehoahaz – 17y
  - Joash (Jehoash) – 16y
  - Jeroboam II – 41y
  - Zechariah – 6m
  - **Shallum** – 1m
  - **Menahem** – 10y
  - Pekahiah – 2y
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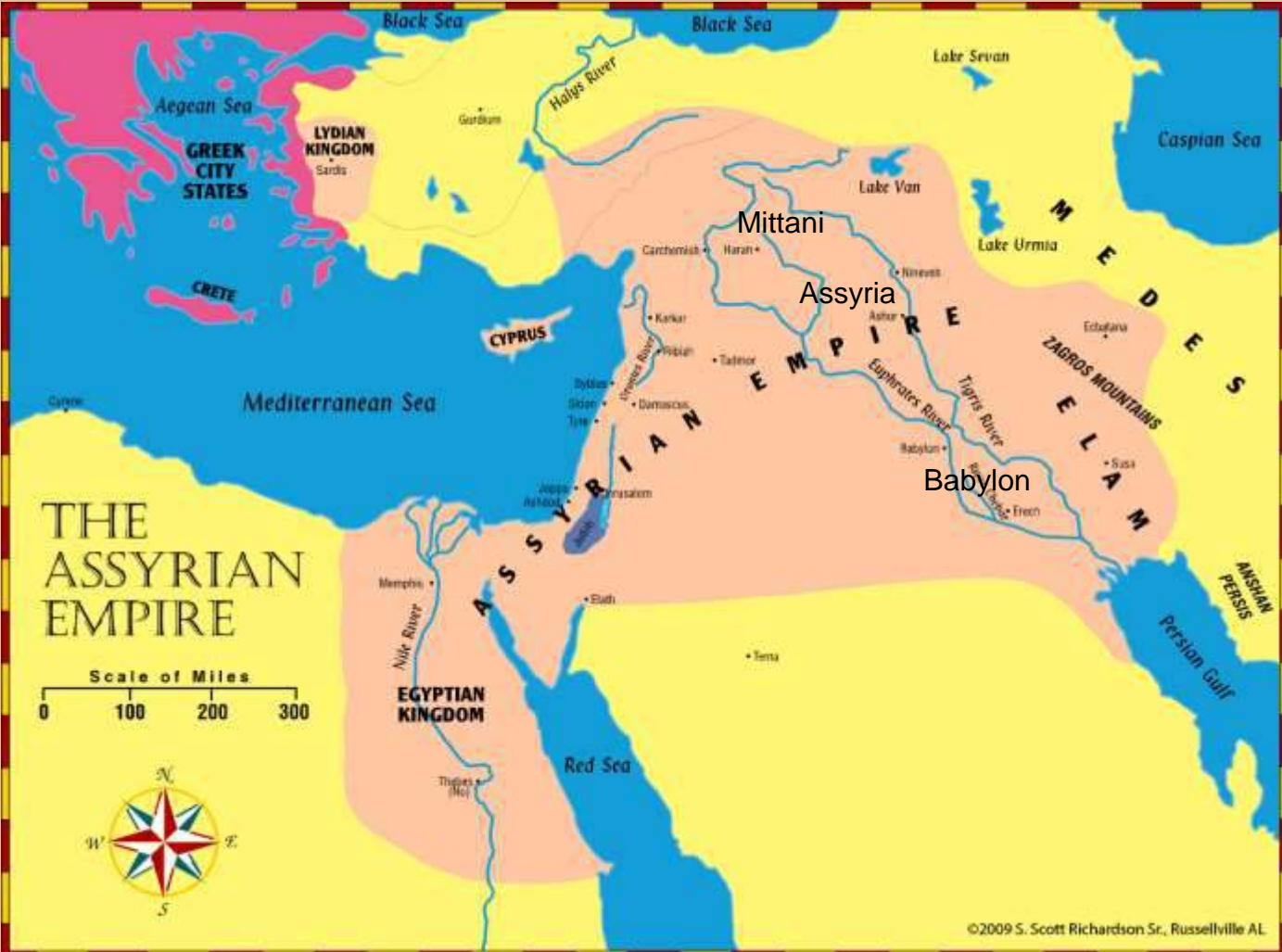
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# Divided Kingdom: Kings of Judah

- **Rehoboam** – 17y
  - Abijam (Abijah) – 3y
  - Asa – 41y
  - Jehoshaphat – 25y
  - Jehoram (Joram) – 8y
  - Ahaziah – 1y
  - **(Athaliah)** – 6y
  - Joash (Jehoash) – 40y
  - Amaziah – 29y
  - Uzziah (Azariah) – 52y
  - Jotham – 16y
  - Ahaz – 16y
  - Hezekiah – 29y
  - Manasseh – 55y
  - Amon – 2y
  - Josiah – 31y
  - Jehoahaz (Shallum) – 3m
  - Jehoiakim (Eliakim) – 11y
  - Jehoiachin (Coniah, Jeconiah) – 3m
  - Zedekiah (Mattaniah) 11y
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# THE ASSYRIAN EMPIRE

Scale of Miles  
0 100 200 300

