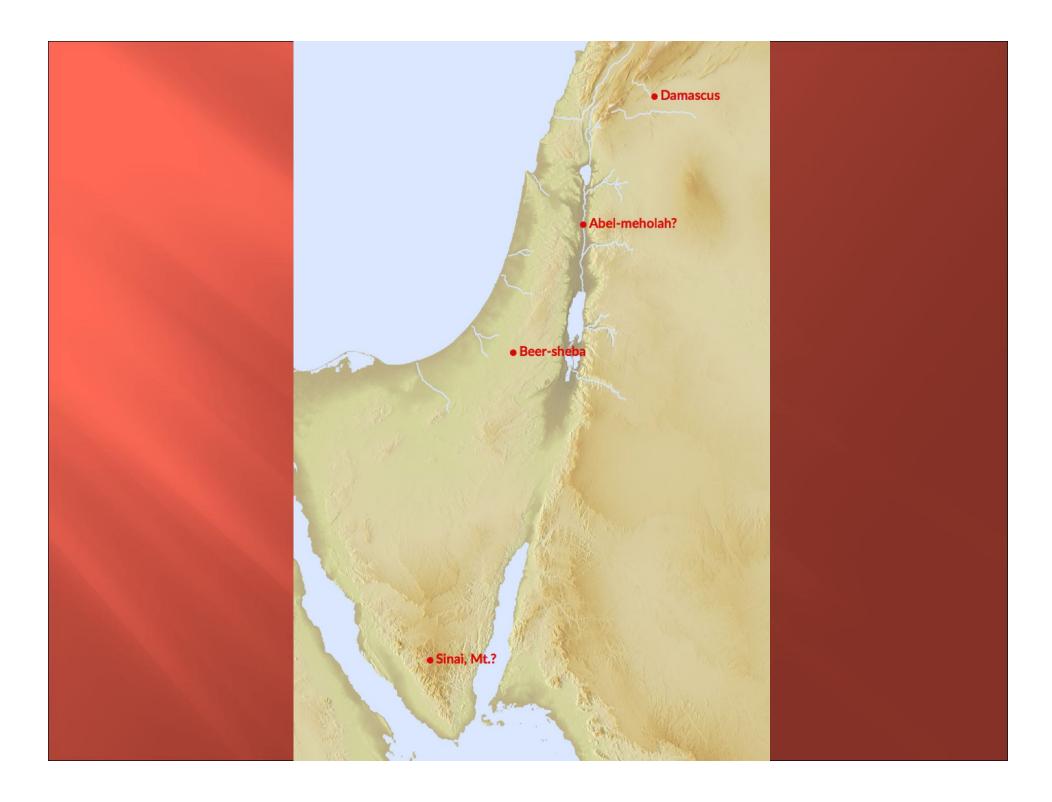
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1. The call of Elisha
2. Naboth's vineyard
3. More fire from heaven
4. Elijah taken into heaven





Isaiah 28 v 23-26

 'Give ear, and hear my voice; hearken, and hear my speech. Does he who ploughs for sowing plough continually? Does he continually open and harrow his ground? When he has levelled the surface, does he scatter dill, sow cummin, and put in wheat in rows and barley in its proper place, and spelt as the border? For he is instructed aright; his God teaches him.'

'passed by him'

- And PASSING along by the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net in the sea; for they were fishermen.' Mark 1 v 16
- 'As Jesus PASSED on from there, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax office;' Matt 9 v 9
- 'immediately they followed him'

'Let me kiss my father and mother'

 'Another said, 'I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.' Jesus said to him, 'No one who puts his hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.' Luke 9 v 57-62 (61-62).





Exodus 34 v 6-9

'The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will be no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children and the children's children, to the third and the fourth generation.'

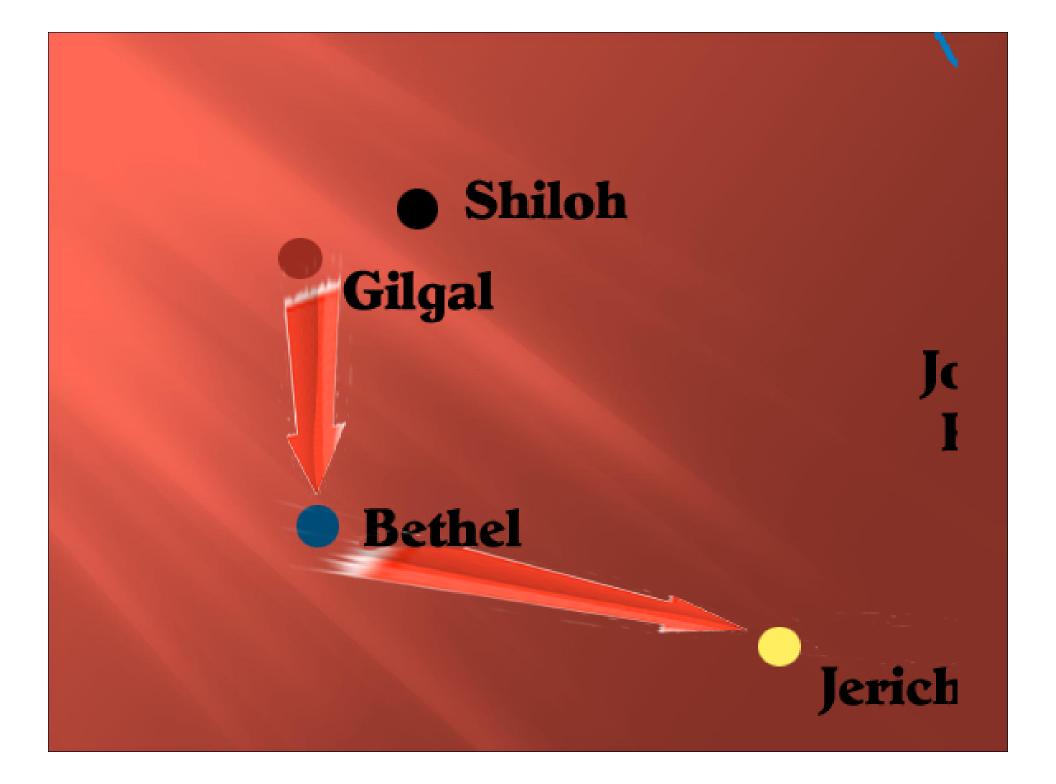
Psalm 51 v 17

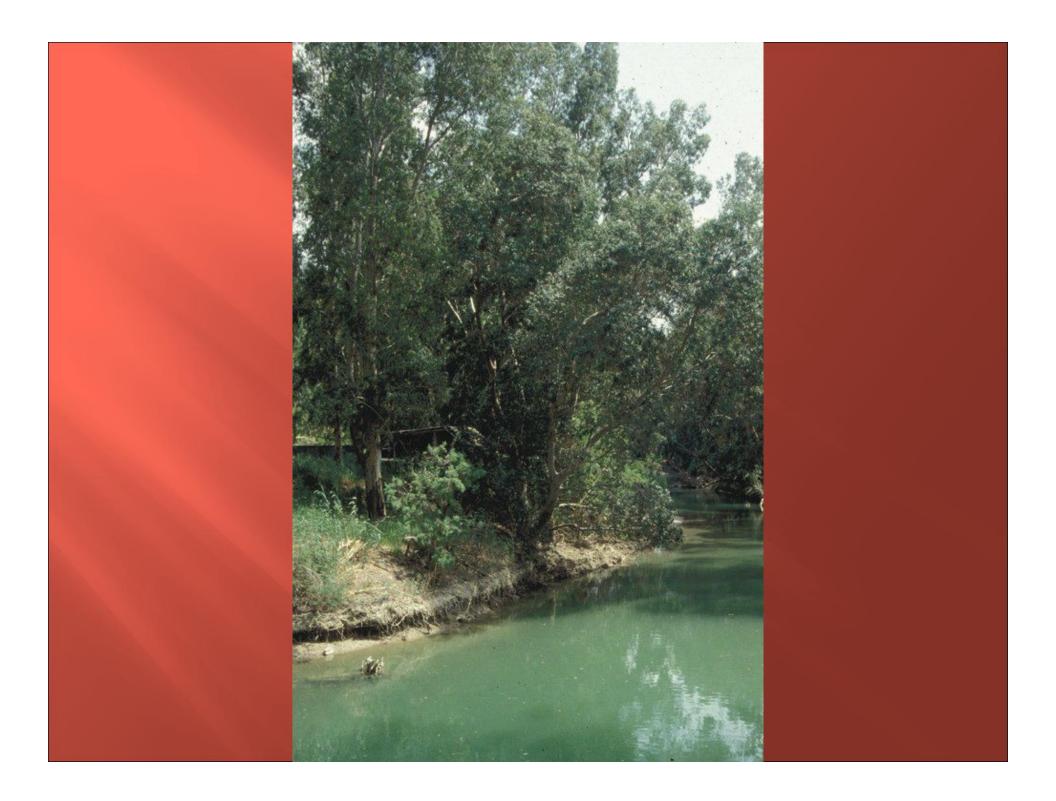
'The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit; a broken and a contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.'

More fire from heaven

Ahaziah the son of Ahab began to reign over Israel in Samaria in the seventeenth year of Jehoshaphat king of Judah, and he reigned two years over Israel. He did what was evil in the sight of the LORD, and walked in the way of his father, and in the way of his mother, and in the way of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin. He served Baal and worshipped him, and provoked the LORD, the God of Israel, to anger in EVERY way that his father had done.' 1 Ki 22 v 51-53







'You have asked a HARD thing;' v 10

- Heb 'qashah'
- 'made their lives bitter with HARD service,' Ex 1 v 14
- 'he (Pharoah) HARDENED his heart, and would not listen to them;' Ex 8 v 15
- 'these men the sons of Zeruiah are too HARD for me.' 2 Sam 3 v 39

Fire and a whirlwind!

- Elijah associated with both, Carmel, Horeb and Ebal (?). Seminal moment for Elisha.
- Paul, Damascus road conversion, 3rd heaven
- □ Job answered by God out of a whirlwind, 38v1
- 'As I looked, behold a stormy wind...fire flashing forth continually...' Eze 1 v 4
- At Pentecost, 'the rush of a mighty wind, ...tongues as of fire..' Acts 2 v 2-3

'My father, my father,..'

Philip said to him, 'Lord, show us the Father,' and we shall be satisfied.' Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you so long, and yet you do not know me, Philip? He who has seen me has seen the Father, how can you say, 'Show us the Father? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father in me; or else believe me for the sake of the works themselves.' John 14 v 8-11

'And he saw him no more.'

- Then he took hold of his own clothes and rent them in two pieces. And he took up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying,
- 'Where is the LORD, the God of Elijah?'
- And when he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other; and Elisha went over.'

'Where is the LORD, the God of Elijah?'

'Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father in me?'