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LIVING & LOVING
THE WORD

Balak בלק

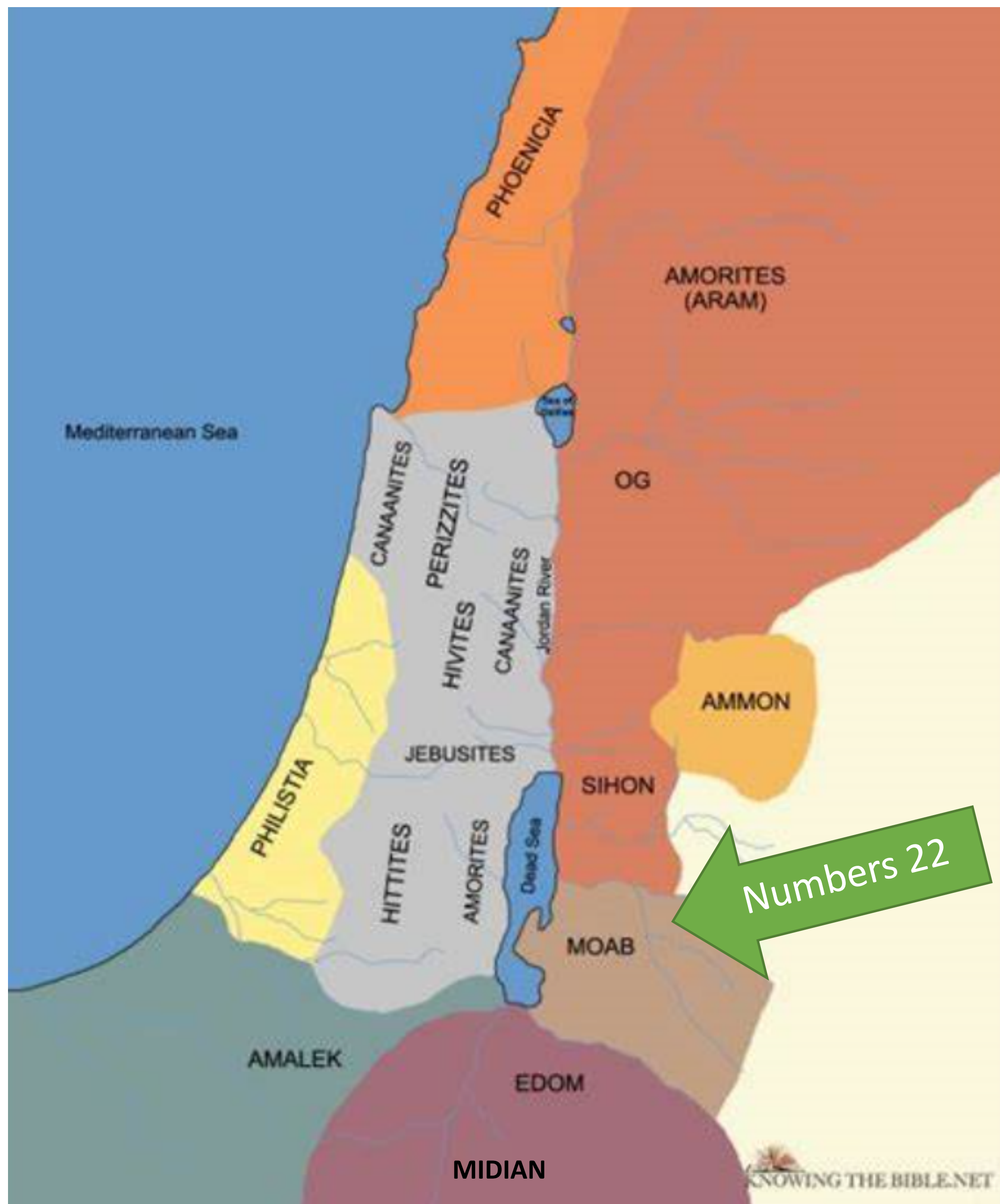
Balak was the name of a Moabite king in the days of Moshe. It is also the name of the fortieth reading from the Torah. It comes from the second verse of this week's reading. This week's Torah reading tells the story of how Balak hires the occult prophet Balaam to lay a curse on Israel. Balaam meets resistance from Yahweh, has a conversation with his donkey and ends up blessing Israel instead of cursing them.

וַיַּרְא בְּלָק, בֶּן-צִפּוֹר, אֵת כָּל-אֲשֶׁר-עָשָׂה יִשְׂרָאֵל,
לְאֹמְרֵי.

Way-yar Ba-laq ben-Tzippor (**Alef Taw**) kal a-ser a-
sah Yis-ra-el la-Amo-ri

And Balak the son of Zippor saw all that Israel had
done to the Amorites.

Bamidbar 22 Beyt



- King Balak of Moab, the son of Tzippor
- Moabite allied with Midianite
- Moab, son of Lot, Abraham's nephew
- Midian (son of Abraham with Keturah)
- Moses wife was a Midianite - Tzippora



BALAAM, THE DIVINER

- From Mesopotamia near Carchemish
- A gentile magician, seer
- Abram is from Ur in Mesopotamia

CHAPTER 22

- Balak sent messengers unto Balaam –
“people came out of Mitsrayim, they cover the face of the earth and they are against me”
- **TASK:** Curse the People “whom you bless will be blessed and whom you curse is cursed”

Genesis 22:1-19 “Binding of Isaac – Akedah”

- Donkey
- “The Angel of Yahweh”

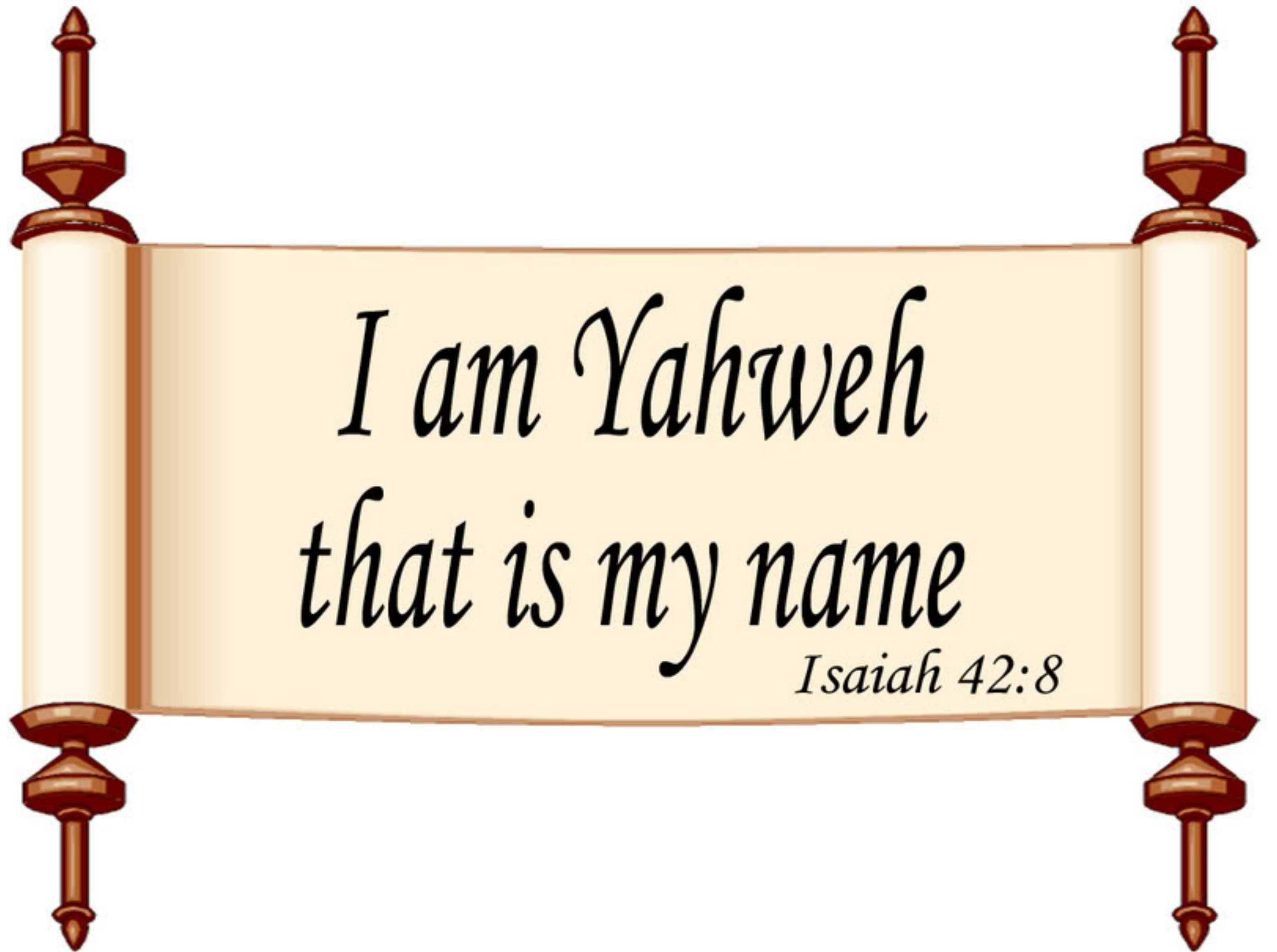
“17 I will surely bless you and make your descendants as **numerous** as the stars in the sky and as the sand on the seashore. Your descendants will take possession of the cities of their enemies, 18 and through your offspring all nations on earth will be blessed, because you have obeyed me.”

- At night time, Balaq spoke with Yahweh.
“You are not to go with them, you are not going to curse the people, for they are blessed”
- Balak was persistent; Balaam gave in with condition of a house full of silver and gold

Balaam knows
Yahweh's Name!

22:18 "Yahweh
my Elohim"

But to Balaam,
Yahweh is not
the only Mighty
One



- The “Angel of Yahweh” showed up
- Balaam didn’t see, but donkey does.
- 3 times donkey encounters Yahweh, each time stops and gets beaten by Balaam.
- Balaam was determine to disobey Yahweh and get that money





- Balaam is blind to what's going on. Then he sees "The Angel of Yahweh"
- Yahweh asked Balaam why he was beating his donkey?
- Yahweh said if "donkey" had not stopped, He would have killed Balaam

CHAPTER 23-24

- *Massachusetts* •

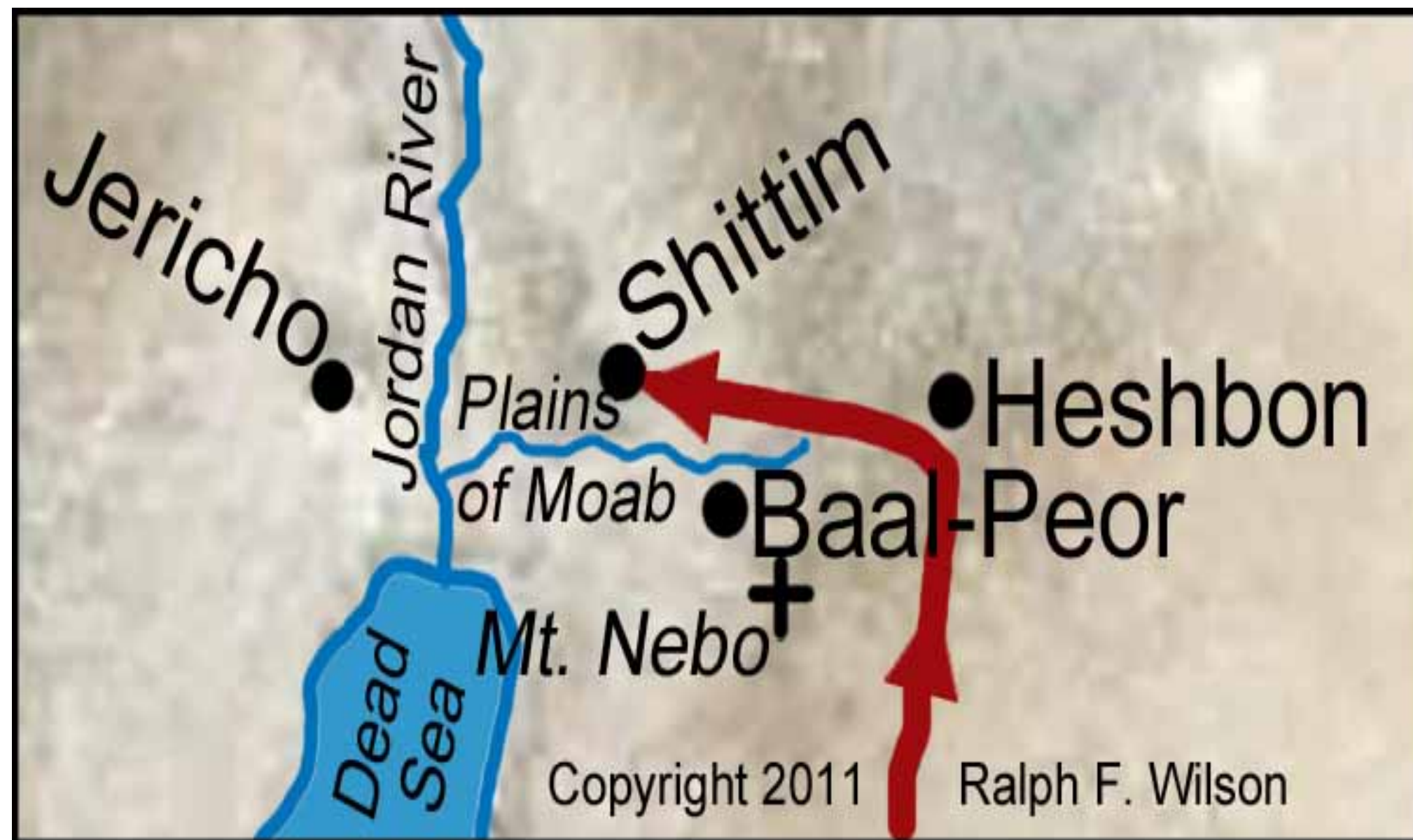
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- *The Spirit of Amercia* •

- Number 7: 7 Altars, 7 Oxen, & Rams
- Balak now is expecting Balaam to curse Israel
- Balaam Blesses Israel and prophesied a great future

CHAPTER 25

- Israel abode in Shittim
- Commits whoredom with the daughters of Moab
- Slay all men who joined with Baalpeor "**Baal of Peor,**" a Moabite god



Verse 4

- “Take all the heads of the people and hung them up”

Numbers 15:30-31

“But anyone who sins defiantly, whether native-born or foreigner, blasphemes the Lord and must be cut off from the people of Israel. **31** Because they have despised Yahweh’s word and broken his commands, they must surely be cut off; their guilt remains on them.”

HIGH HANDED REBELLION “defiance with Yahweh”

Ezekiel 33:4

4 then if anyone hears the trumpet but does not heed the warning and the sword comes and takes their life, their blood will be on their own head.

Bah-al Strong's Hebrew 1167 = lord בַּעַל

Online Etymology Dictionary: lord (n)
mid-13C., laverd, loverd,
from old English hlaford “master of a
.household, ruler, feudal lord, superior
Yahweh in Hebrew.

אֲנִי יְהוָה, הוּא שְׁמִי; וְכַבֹּדִי לֹא-אֶחֶר לֹא-אֶתֶן, וְתִהְיֶה לִּי לְפָסִילִים.

Ani YaHWeH hu se-mi uke-bowdi la-aher lo et-ten
ute-hil-la-ti lap-pe-si-lim

I am Yahweh, that is My Name; and My glory will I not give to another, neither My praise to graven images.

Isaiah 42:8

LESSONS TO BRING WITH YOU

Prohet /pro-fit/



- Numbers 21, Balaam is intending to curse Israel for a profit
- Numbers 31, Israelites killed Balaam
- Yahweh communicates with a gentile diviner – no favor found

BEWARE OF FALSE PROPHETS (PROFITS)

Deuteronomy 18:22 ²²If what a prophet proclaims in the Name of Yahweh does not take place or come true, that is a message Yahweh has not spoken. That prophet has spoken presumptuously, so do not be alarmed.

Daniel 7:25 ²⁵He will speak against the Most High and oppress his holy people and try to change the set times and the laws. The holy people will be delivered into his hands for a time, times and half a time.

HaShatan Answers to Yahweh

6 One day the angels came to present themselves before Yahweh, and Satan also came with them. **7** Yahweh said to Satan, “Where have you come from?” Satan answered Yahweh, “From roaming throughout the earth, going back and forth on it.”

Job 1:6-7



- Being inspired by Yahweh does not of itself indicate righteousness
- Pagan Kings and prophets can at times foretell the future
- Satan can disguise himself as light
- Best protection is to know Yahweh and his word from the front to the back of the book to better discern.

- What do we do with roadblocks, or **NO** answer?
- Stop, pause, and seek guidance.
- Perhaps Yahweh is stopping a great mistake, or we are being saved from His loving discipline.





HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK

YAHWEH BLESS YOU