

# 1 SAMUEL

ORDER IN OLD TESTAMENT

9

NUMBER OF CHAPTERS

31

TYPE

HISTORY



## OVERVIEW

The Book of 1 Samuel records Israel's history from the birth of the prophet Samuel up through David's trials before he became king. It ends with the death of King Saul, which opens the door for David to ascend to the throne. The biography of Samuel, story of David and Goliath, and the biography of King Saul are included.



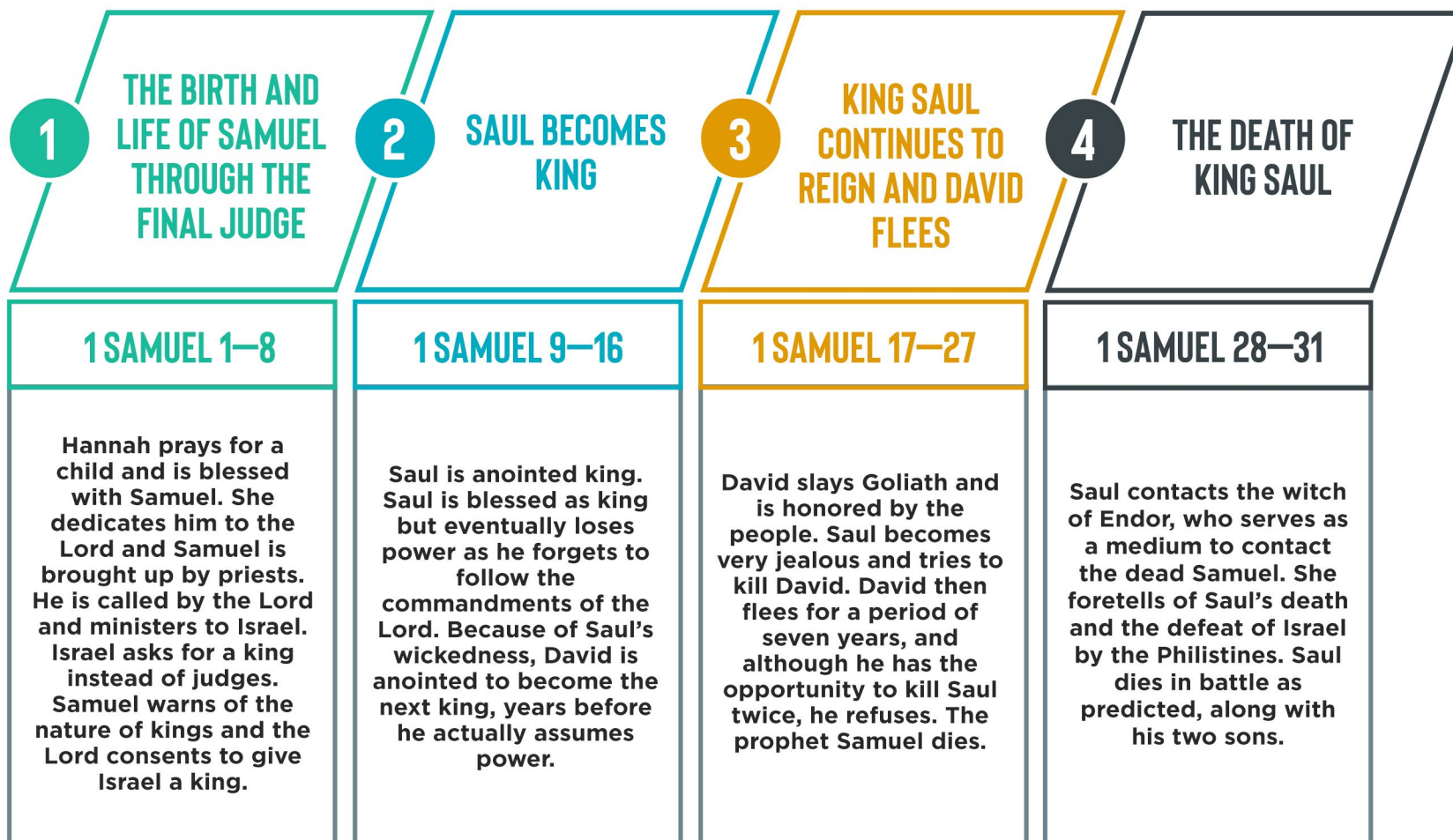
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AUTHOR  
Samuel, Nathan, Gad,  
and an unknown  
scribe who served as  
compiler



# 2 SAMUEL

ORDER IN OLD TESTAMENT

10

NUMBER OF CHAPTERS

24

TYPE

HISTORY



## OVERVIEW

Initially, 1 and 2 Samuel were combined, so 2 Samuel is a continuation of 1 Samuel. It begins with David's seven years as king and finishes with the end of his life, having served as king from age 30 to 70.



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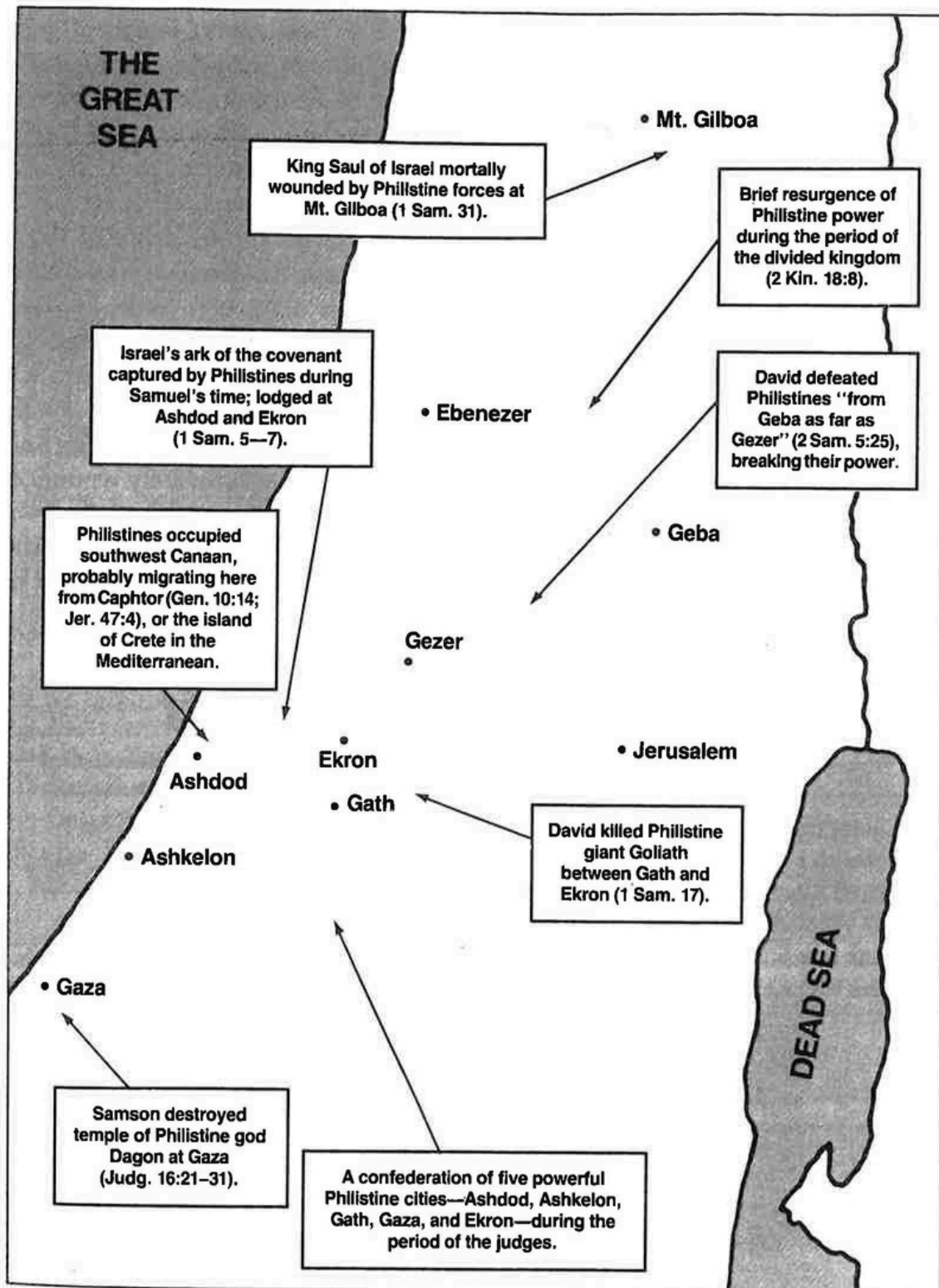
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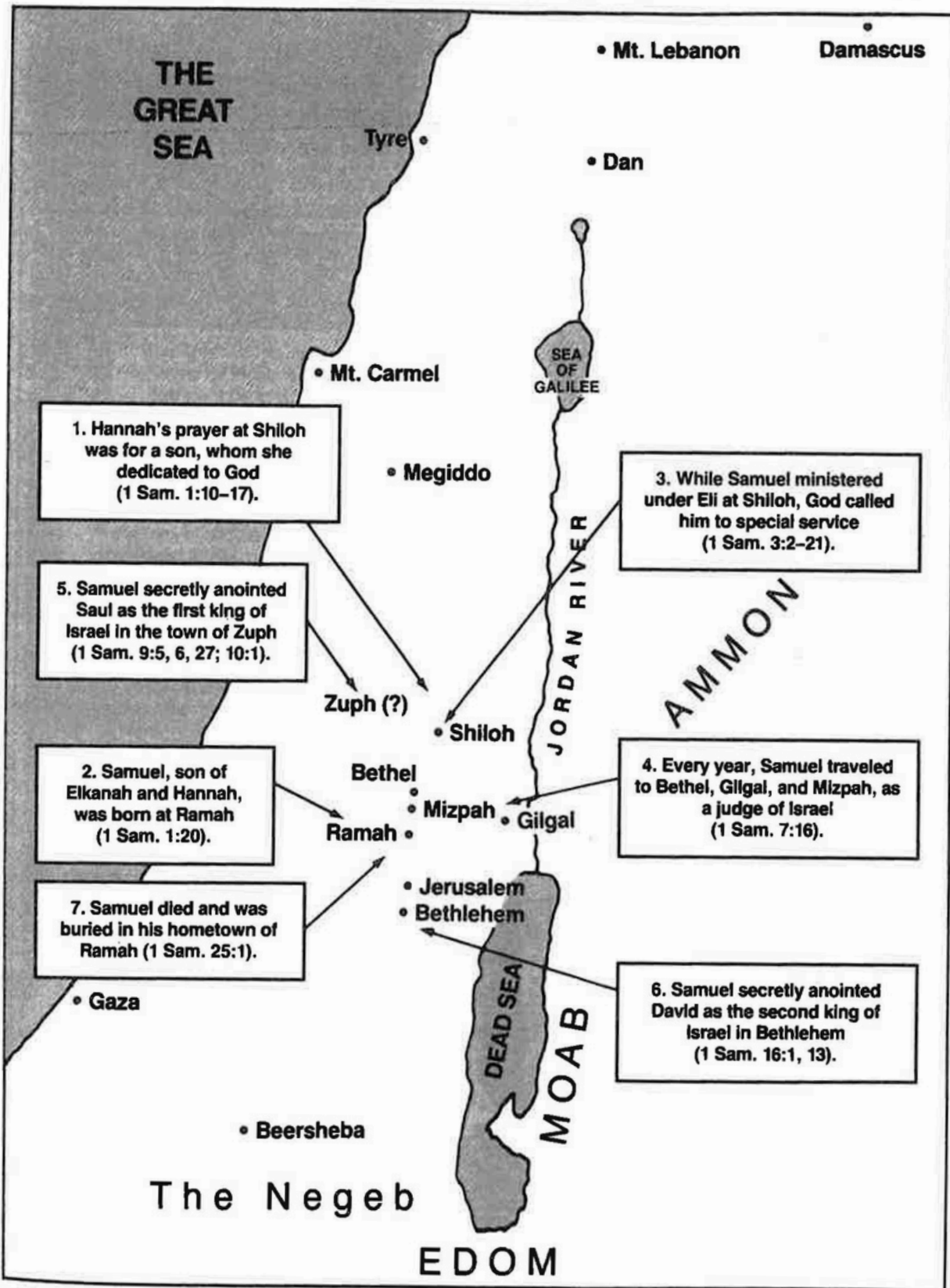
AUTHOR  
Prophets Nathan and  
Gad with records  
from Samuel

<b>1</b>	<b>DAVID NEARS KINGSHIP</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>DAVID REIGNS FROM JERUSALEM</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>TROUBLE IN THE HOUSE</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>EVEN MORE BLOODSHED</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>END OF DAVID'S LIFE AND A FINAL TALE</b>
<b>2 SAMUEL 1-5</b>		<b>2 SAMUEL 6-10</b>		<b>2 SAMUEL 11-19</b>		<b>2 SAMUEL 20-21</b>		<b>2 SAMUEL 22-24</b>	
David is crowned king of Judah, but Saul's son still rules the rest of Israel. The houses of David and Saul battle for 6-7 years as Saul's house weakens and David's house receives strength.		David takes Jerusalem from the Jebusites and the Ark of the Covenant is brought to Jerusalem. David dances before the Lord, offers a solemn prayer, and shows kindness to Jonathan's son.		David's kingship is filled with family difficulties. He commits adultery with Bathsheba, and his daughter Tamar is raped by his son Amnon, who is then killed by Absalom. Absalom later betrays David and is killed.		David has conflicts with other nations. He stops the rebellion of Sheba and delivers seven of Saul's sons to the Gibeonites, who die as payment for their father's sins.		David writes a famous psalm and records many military heroes and their deeds. He then sins, showing a lack of faith, by taking a census of his military, and repents.	

# The Philistine Threat



# The Life and Ministry of Samuel



# David's Kingdom



# The City of David

