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Obadiah - Edom Doomed

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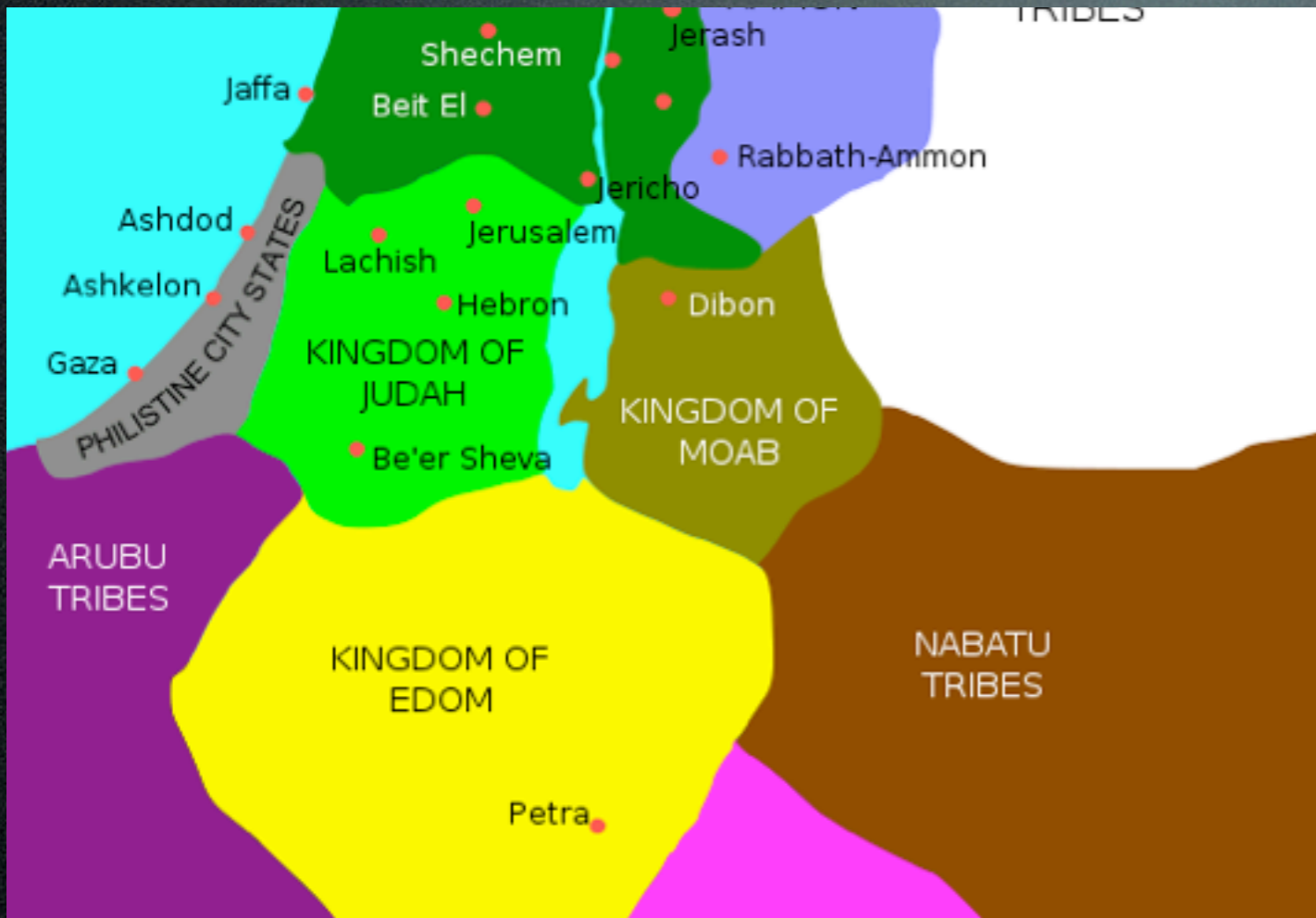
Obadiah

One of the shortest books in the Bible, Obadiah has only 21 verses. It is written to Edom, the nation descended from Esau, Jacob's twin brother. The prophecy centers around an ancient feud between Edom and Israel. Edom was arrogant, had been violent toward Israel, didn't help Israel when they were in need, and gloated over Israel's problems. God tells Obadiah to tell Edom that they will be brought down and covered with shame.

Obadiah

- I. Edom's Guilt and Destruction (1:1-14).
- II. The Day of the Lord (1:15-21).

- Edom was located Southeast of Judah.



- The ancient city of Petra cut into a cliff by the Edomites was used in the movie “Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade.”



Guilt and Destruction

- Edom was being judged for four specific things:
 1. Arrogance of heart (vs. 3).
 2. Violence toward Israel (vs. 10).
 3. Aloofness in Israel's time of need (vs. 11).
 4. Gloating over Israel's misfortune (vs. 12).
- God promises four specific judgements:
 1. I will bring you down (vs. 4).
 2. You will be covered with shame (vs. 10).

Day of the Lord

- “For the day of the Lord draws near on all the nations...” (see Matthew 25:31-46).
- “As you have done, it will be done to you.”
- When Edom is ultimately judged they will have no survivors (see Ezekiel 35:3-9).
- Ultimately Edom will be possessed by Israel, and the kingdom will be the Lords.