

# RUEBEN AND GAD WANT TO SETTLE IN MOAB

- Leadership council agrees to request
- Land is on east side of the Jordan (Trans-Jordan)
- War with Midian was NOT about gaining territory
- Israel should have defeated Moab and then moved on
- Moses wanted ALL the tribes to live within the Promised Land





# JACOB'S BLESSINGS FORETOLD THIS EVENT

- Reuben and Gad wanted the territory for pasture
- Reuben was “unstable as water”, lacked moral strength
- Chose unwisely to stay OUT of the Promised Land
- Gad’s prophetic blessing was as a military force
- Reuben and Gad were part of the same division of Israel (camped on the south side of the Tabernacle)
- In God’s providence Gad and Reuben provided a buffer between Israel and its enemies from the east





# THE 2 ½ TRIBES

- About ½ of the tribe of Manasseh also decide to stay out of the Promised Land
- This split undoubtedly was to allow for a peaceful resolution to a serious disagreement
- The other ½ of the tribe of Manasseh moved into Canaan
- It took many years before the boundaries firmed, but they still changed regularly over time





# 2 ½ TRIBES REBUILT SEVERAL MOABITE CITIES TO LIVE IN THEM

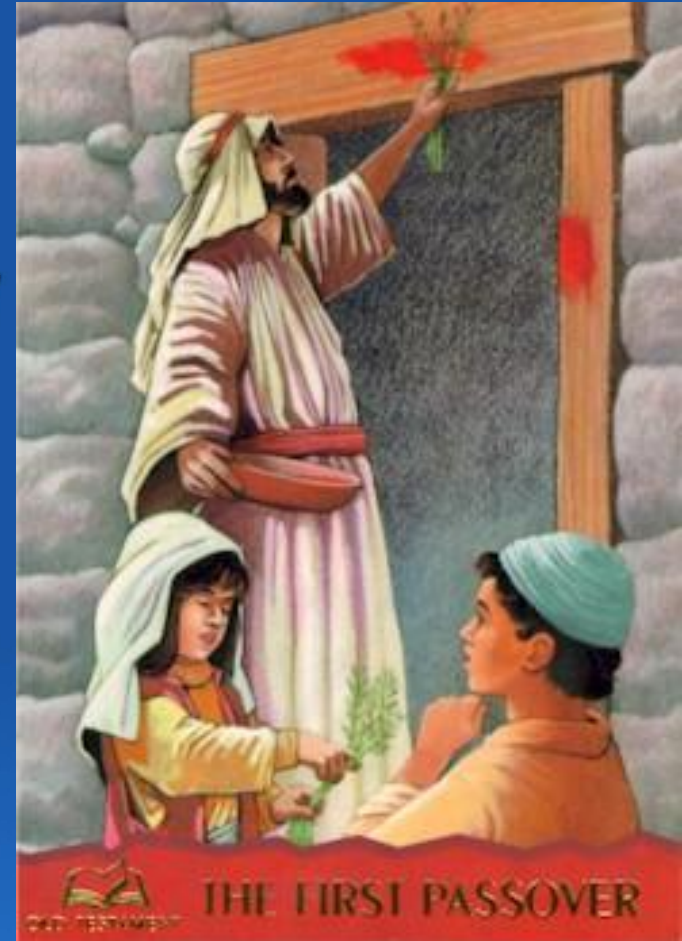
- City names were changed from Moabite names to Hebrew names
- Cities usually rebuilt rather than new ones built elsewhere
- Building material was mostly the stones from the previous city
- Tel = a mound that consists of multiple layers of civilizations



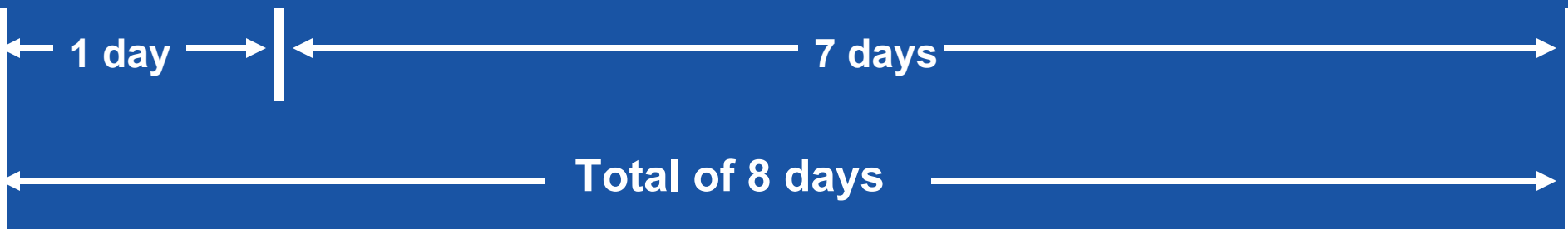


# NUMBERS 33: THE EXODUS TRAVELOGUE

- Did Israel leave Egypt on Passover?
- Technically, they left on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of Unleavened Bread (Nisan 15)
- Passover and Unleavened Bread became fused into one event
- Whole thing eventually called either Passover OR Unleavened Bread out of convenience



<b>Passover</b>	<b>Feast of Unleavened Bread</b>						
14th	15th	16th	17th	18th	19th	20th	21st
Paschal Lamb Slain	1st Day Feast of Unleaven Bread	The Omer (First Fruits)	-	-	-	-	7th Day Feast of Unleaven Brea



Egyptian Passover a bit different than all future Passovers

In Egypt Passover lamb **KILLED** on the 14<sup>th</sup>, but **EATEN** on the 15<sup>th</sup> of Nisan

Hebrew day changes at **SUNSET**; so the day **CHANGED** between the killing of the lamb and the eating of the lamb

Lord did not kill the Firstborns until about Midnight, which would have been Nisan 15<sup>th</sup>, the 1<sup>st</sup> day of Matza

# THE PASSOVER PROBLEM

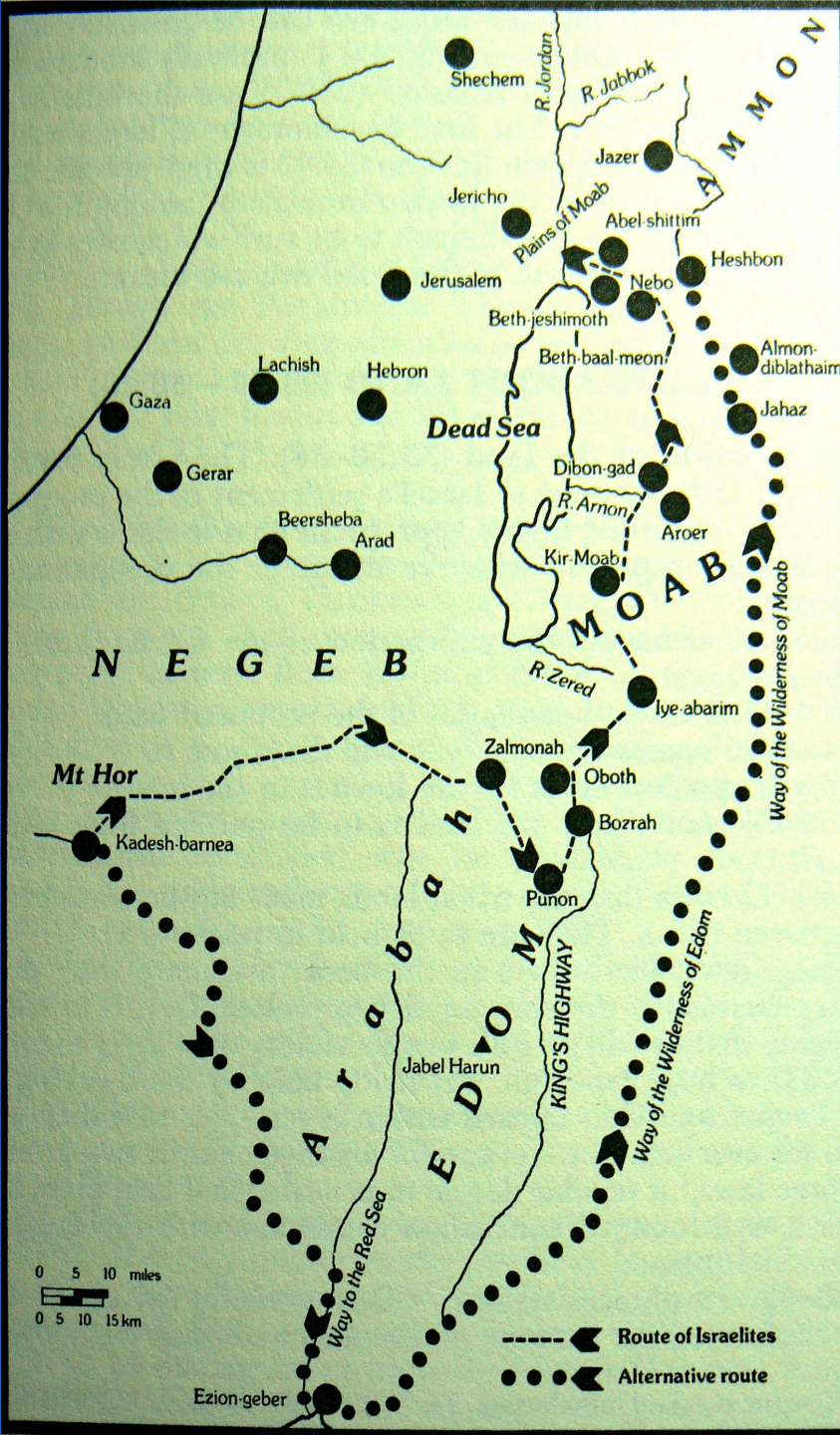
➤ Church presents it slightly off mark because:

- A) Egyptian Passover different than future ones
- B) Earlier Passover got modified in Deuteronomy, and later by Tradition
- C) The technical Scriptural definitions are one thing, but how they are commonly spoken of is another
- D) Several separate Jewish Traditions about how to do Passover were established:
  - 1) Jews living in Judea
  - 2) Jews living in Samaria
  - 3) Jews living in Galilee
  - 4) Jews living in the Diaspora



# 42 STATIONS

- Began journey from Ra'amses on 15<sup>th</sup> of Nisan
- Only one other date given, death of Aaron 1<sup>st</sup> day of the 5<sup>th</sup> month in the 40<sup>th</sup> year
- Listing of stations in Num 33 does NOT match previous biblical listings
- At the least, these 42 stations are where something significant happened





# MOST OF THE 42 STATIONS ARE UNKNOWN TO US

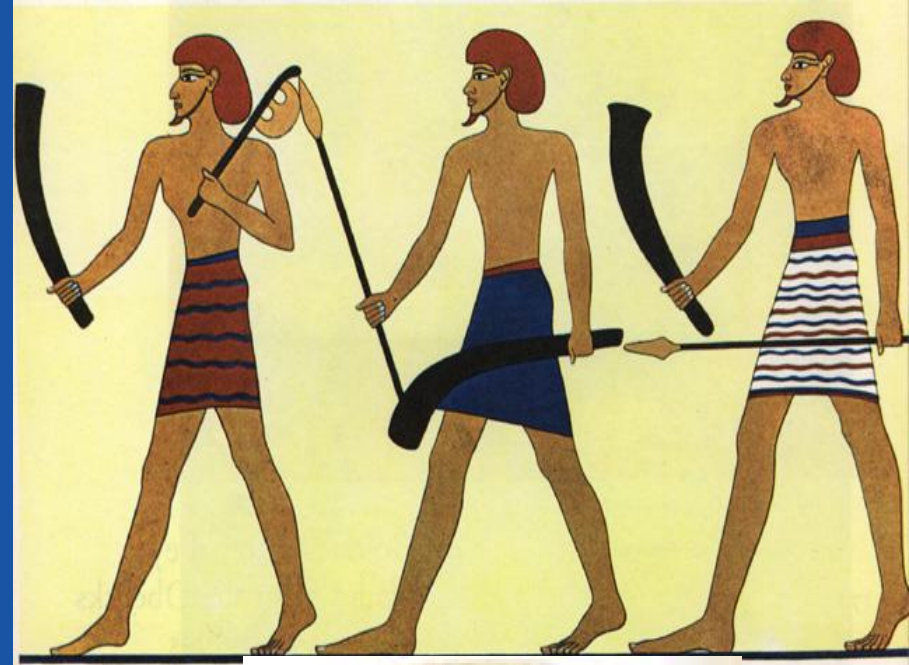


- Most maps showing the route and the stations are too faulty to take seriously
- No archaeological evidence to support the Traditional Mt. Sinai
- Mt. Sinai probably in Arabia, in Midian



# CANAAN TO BE EMPTIED

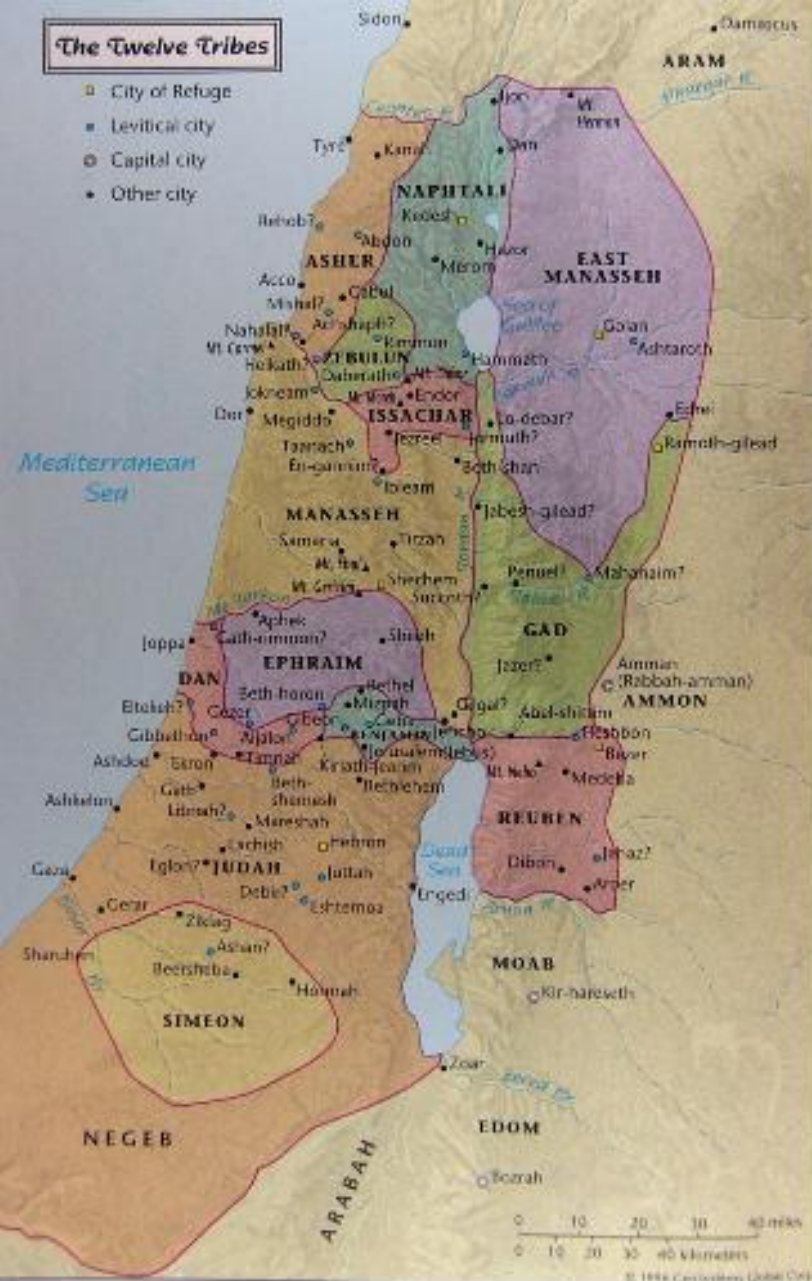
- Israel to destroy everything that has to do with Canaan's false gods
- NO Canaanite people are to remain in the Promised Land
- Genocide is NOT being ordered
- They are to DRIVE OUT the people, but kill those who stay and battle
- Inherent instruction is that those who will join Israel and forsake their old allegiances can remain





## The Twelve Tribes

- City of Refuge
- Levitical city
- Capital city
- Other city



# DIVISION OF THE LAND

- Only 9 ½ tribes are discussed because the other 2 ½ already have their land
- *“....but if you do NOT drive out the inhabitants.....they shall trouble you.....as I plan to do to them, I will do to YOU....”*
- Israel has NEVER heeded this warning to this day
- Joshua did NOT do as God told him
- Israel even allows Muslims to control the Temple Mount,



# THE WEST BANK IS THE PROMISED LAND!

- The 9 ½ tribes settled on the WEST BANK of the Jordan
- The trouble Israel currently faces is largely due to its cavalier attitude about the land God set apart exclusively for their use

