

A wide-angle photograph of a desert landscape. The foreground shows the textured, undulating slopes of sand dunes in shades of tan and brown. In the middle ground, a thin, light-colored road or path winds through the valley between the dunes. The background is a vast, flat expanse of desert stretching to a distant, hazy horizon under a pale, overcast sky. The overall atmosphere is one of solitude and vastness.

The Lord will do amazing
things among you.

History

Numbers 14:20-23 NIV

The LORD replied, “I have forgiven them, as you asked.
²¹ Nevertheless, as surely as I live and as surely as the glory of the LORD fills the whole earth, ²² not one of those who saw my glory and the signs I performed in Egypt and in the wilderness but who disobeyed me and tested me **ten times** — ²³ not one of them will ever see the land I promised on oath to their ancestors. No one who has treated me with contempt will ever see it.”

History

Leviticus 18:1-3 NIV

The LORD said to Moses, ² “Speak to the Israelites and say to them: ‘I am the LORD your God. ³ You must not do as they do in Egypt, where you used to live, and you must not do as they do in the land of Canaan, where I am bringing you. **Do not follow their practices.’”**

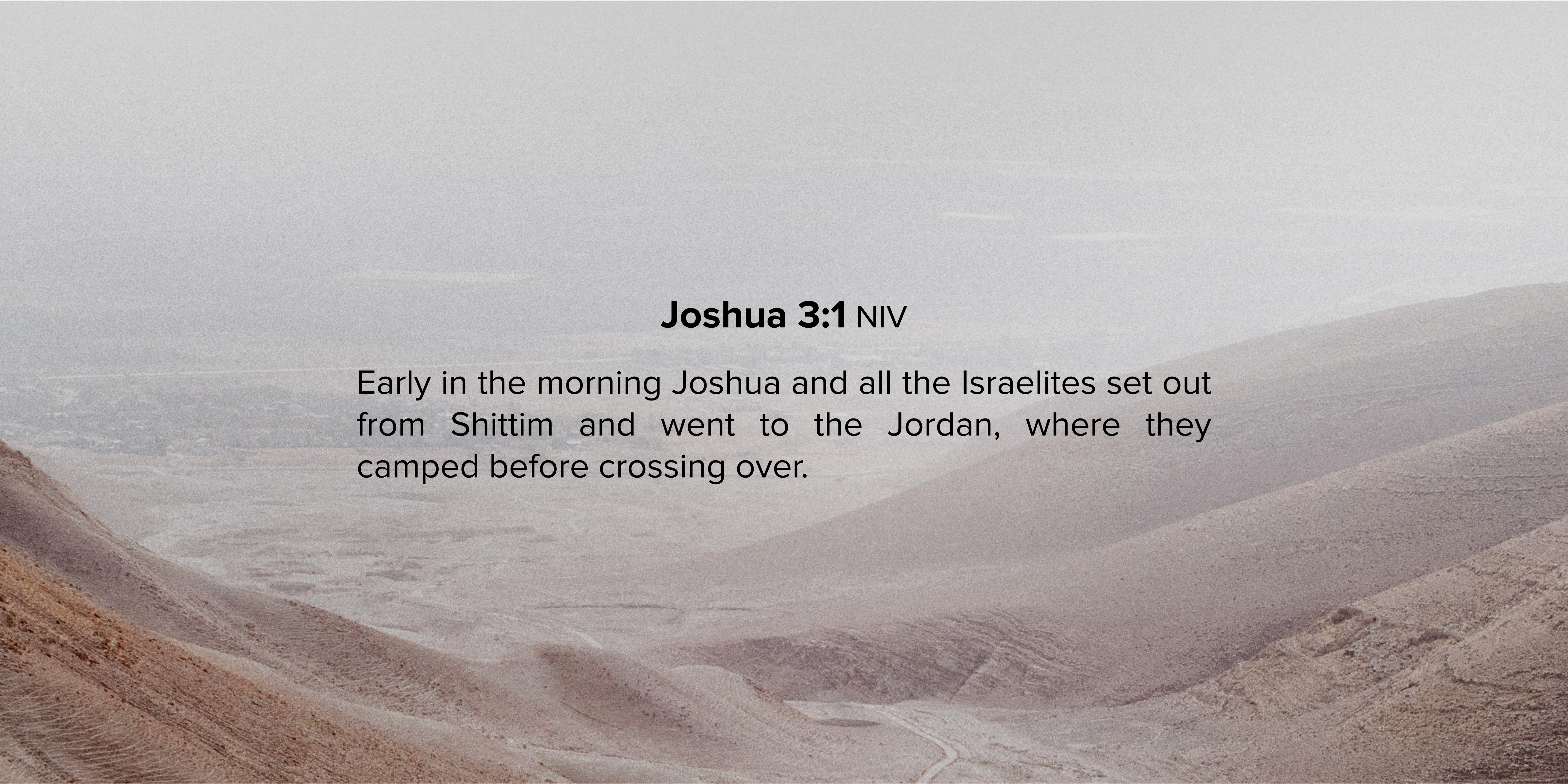
History

Leviticus 18:24-28 NIV

“ ‘Do not defile yourselves in any of these ways, because this is how the nations that I am going to drive out before you became defiled. ²⁵ **Even the land was defiled;** so I punished it for its sin, and the land vomited out its inhabitants. ²⁶ But you must keep my decrees and my laws. The native-born and the foreigners residing among you must not do any of these detestable things, ²⁷ for all these things were done by the people who lived in the land before you, and the land became defiled. ²⁸ **And if you defile the land,** it will vomit you out as it vomited out the nations that were before you.’ ”

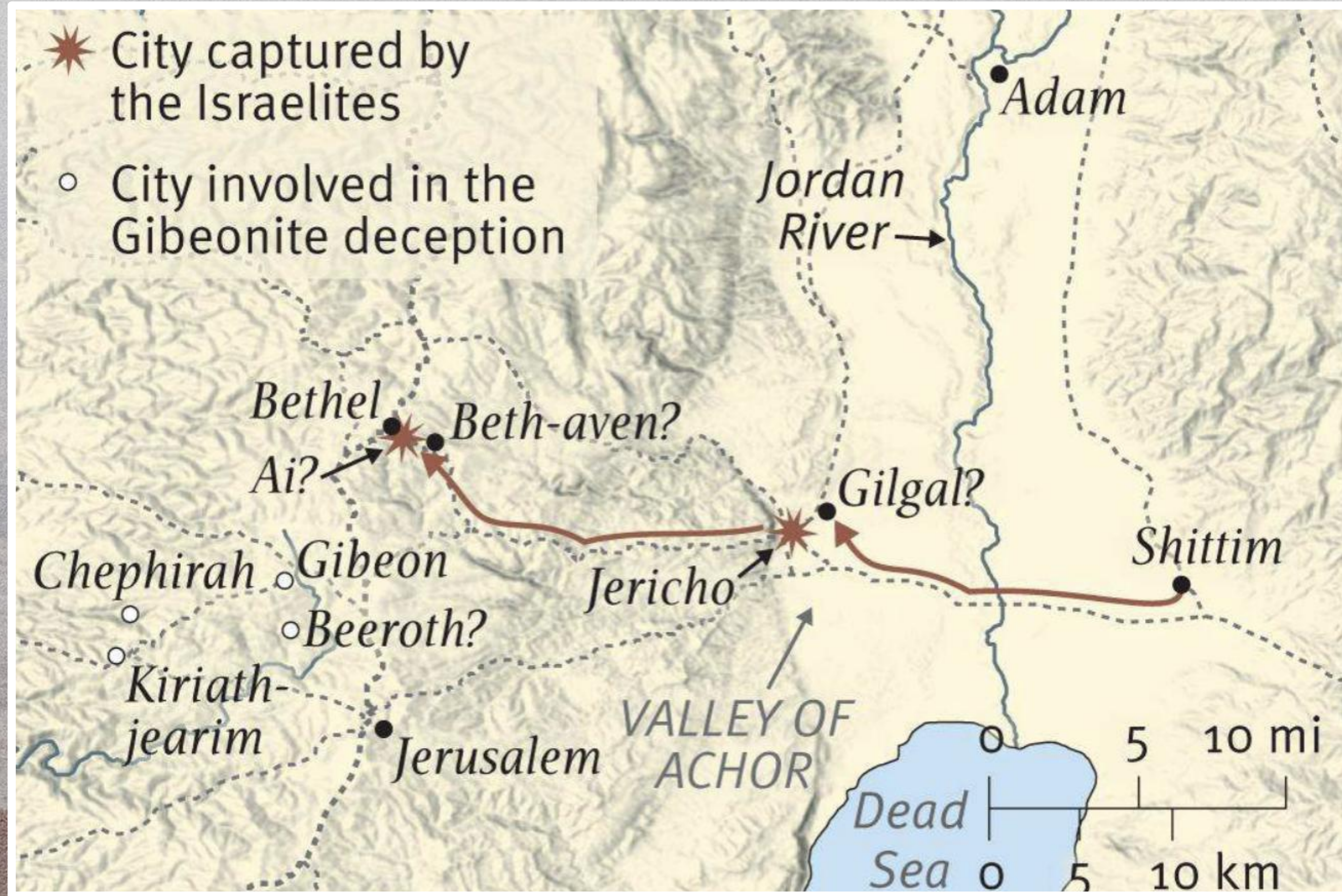
Crossing the Jordan

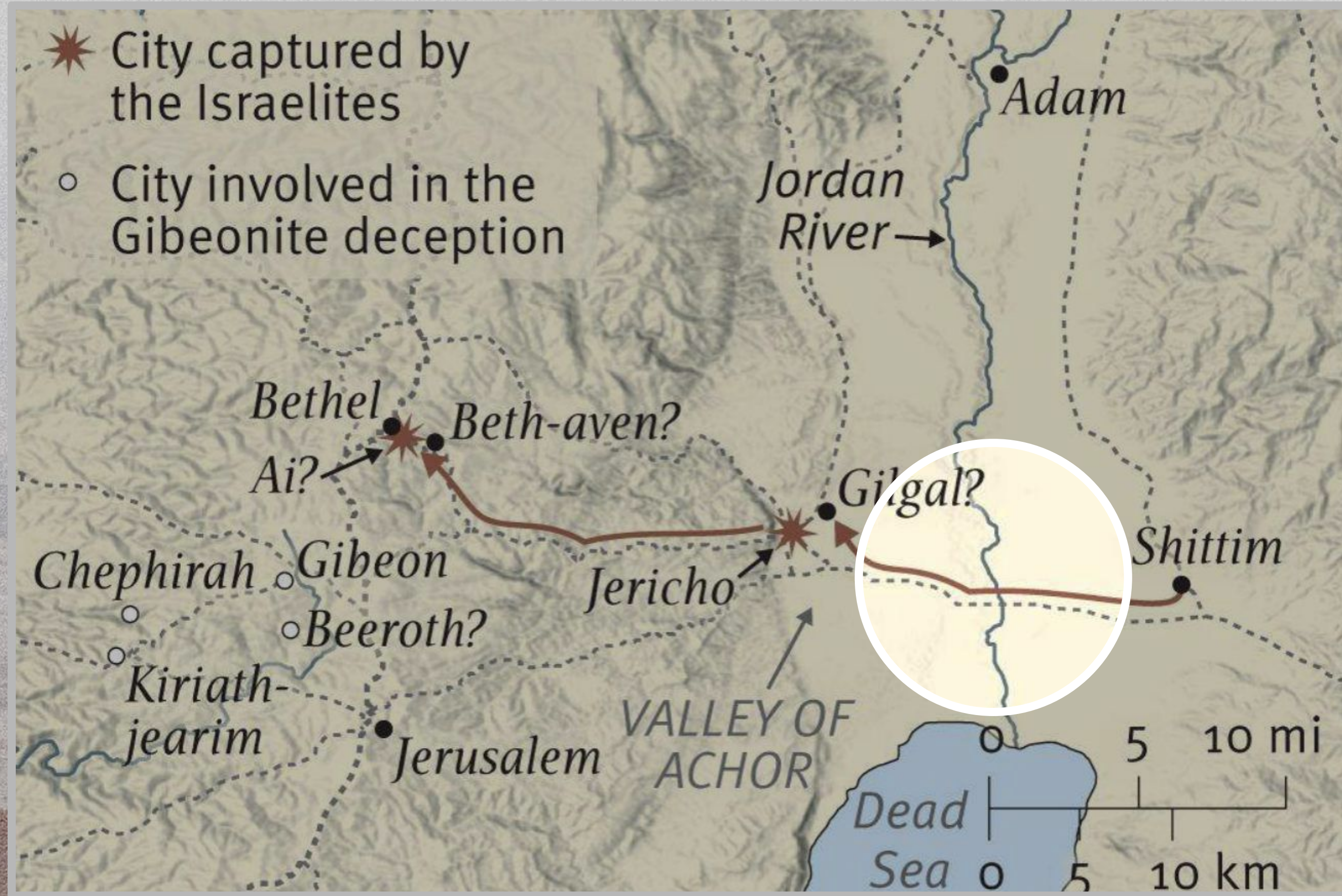
JOSHUA 3:1-17



Joshua 3:1 NIV

Early in the morning Joshua and all the Israelites set out from Shittim and went to the Jordan, where they camped before crossing over.

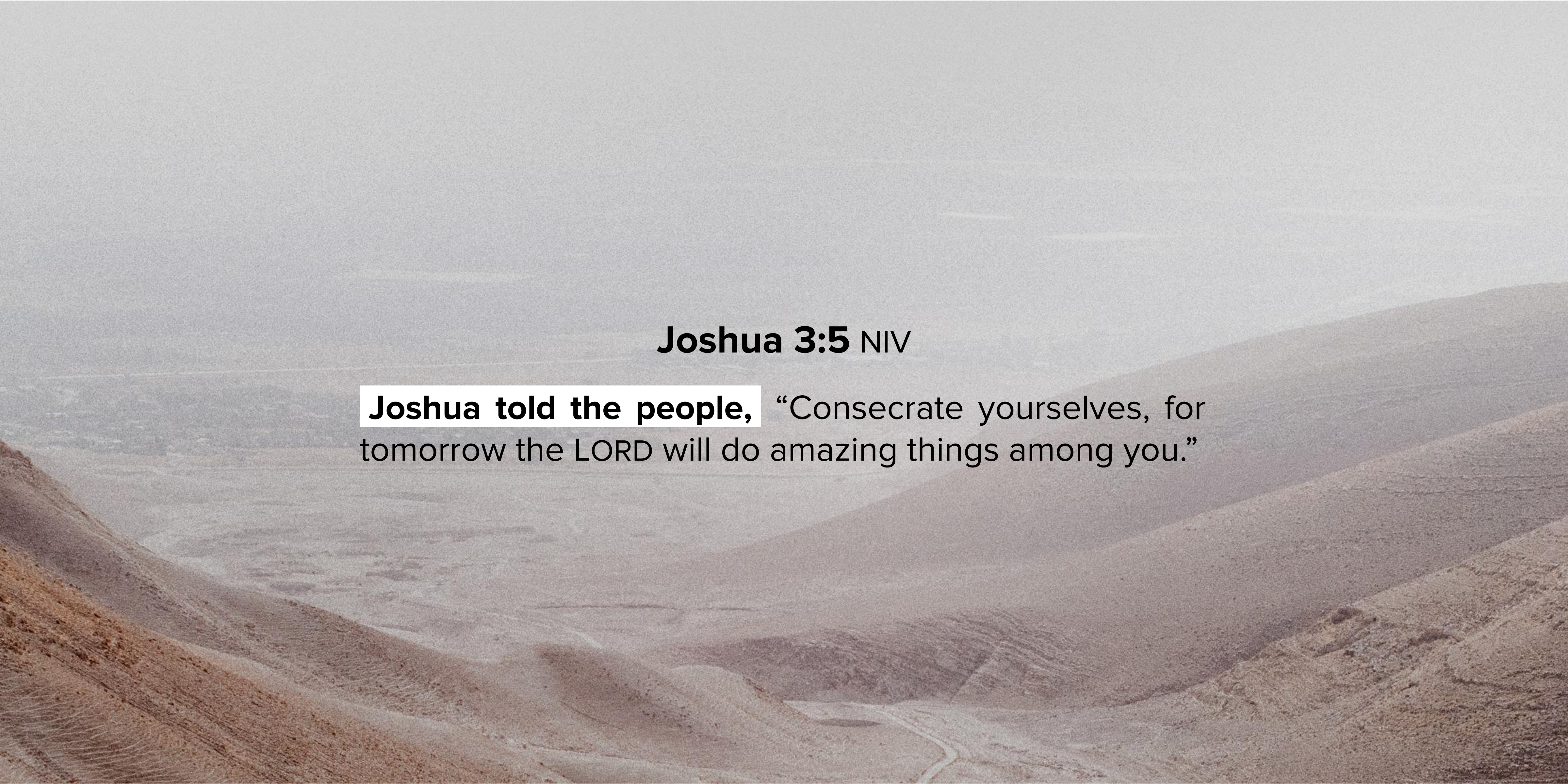






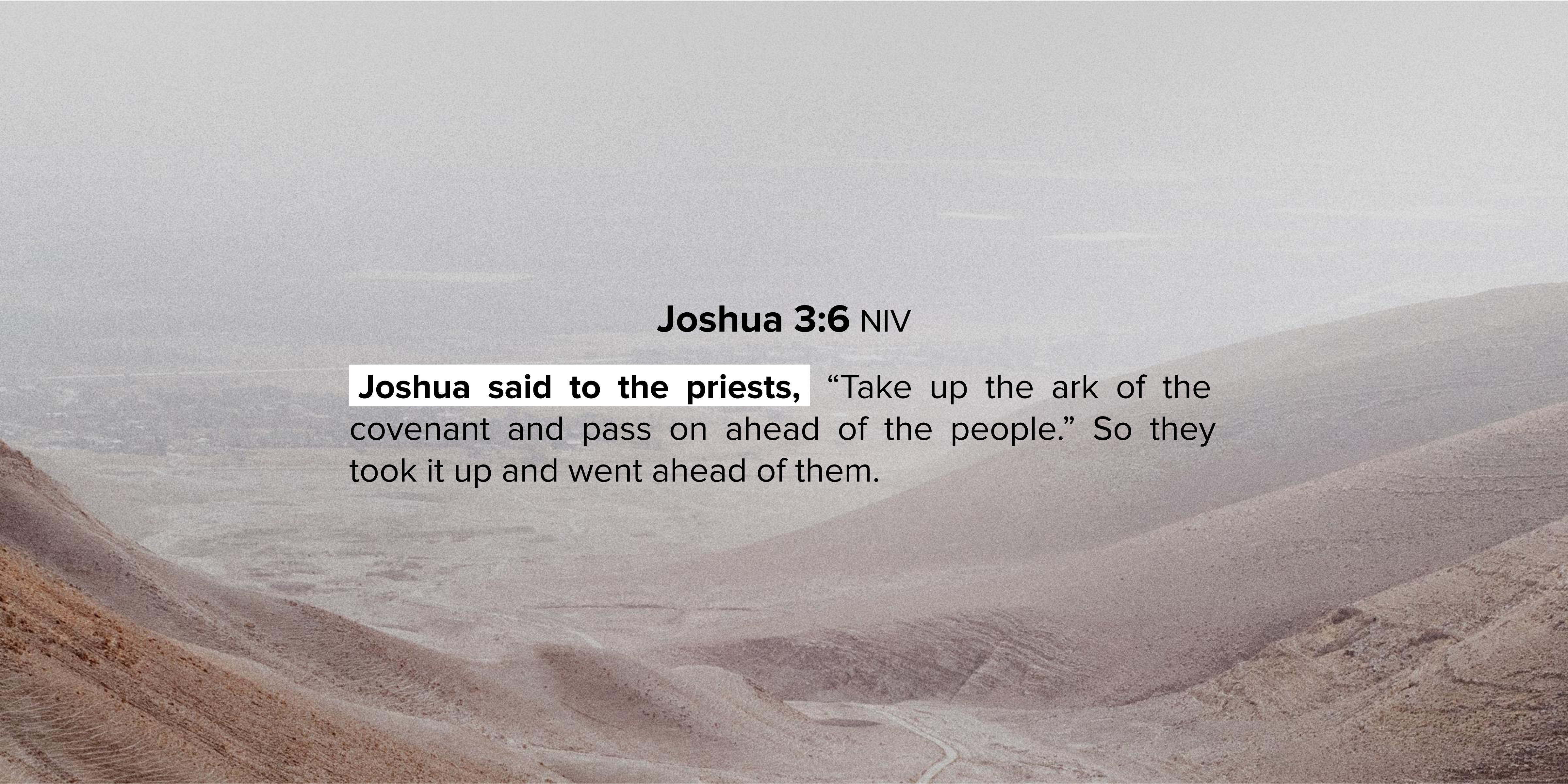
Joshua 3:2-4 NIV

After three days the officers went throughout the camp,
³ giving orders to the people: “When you see the ark of
the covenant of the LORD your God, and the Levitical
priests carrying it, you are to move out from your positions
and follow it. ⁴ Then you will know which way to go, since
you have never been this way before. But keep a distance
of about two thousand cubits between you and the ark; do
not go near it.”

A misty, mountainous landscape with a winding road in the foreground. The scene is hazy, with soft, muted colors of the mountains and the foggy atmosphere. The road curves through the valley, leading the eye into the distance. The overall mood is serene and contemplative.

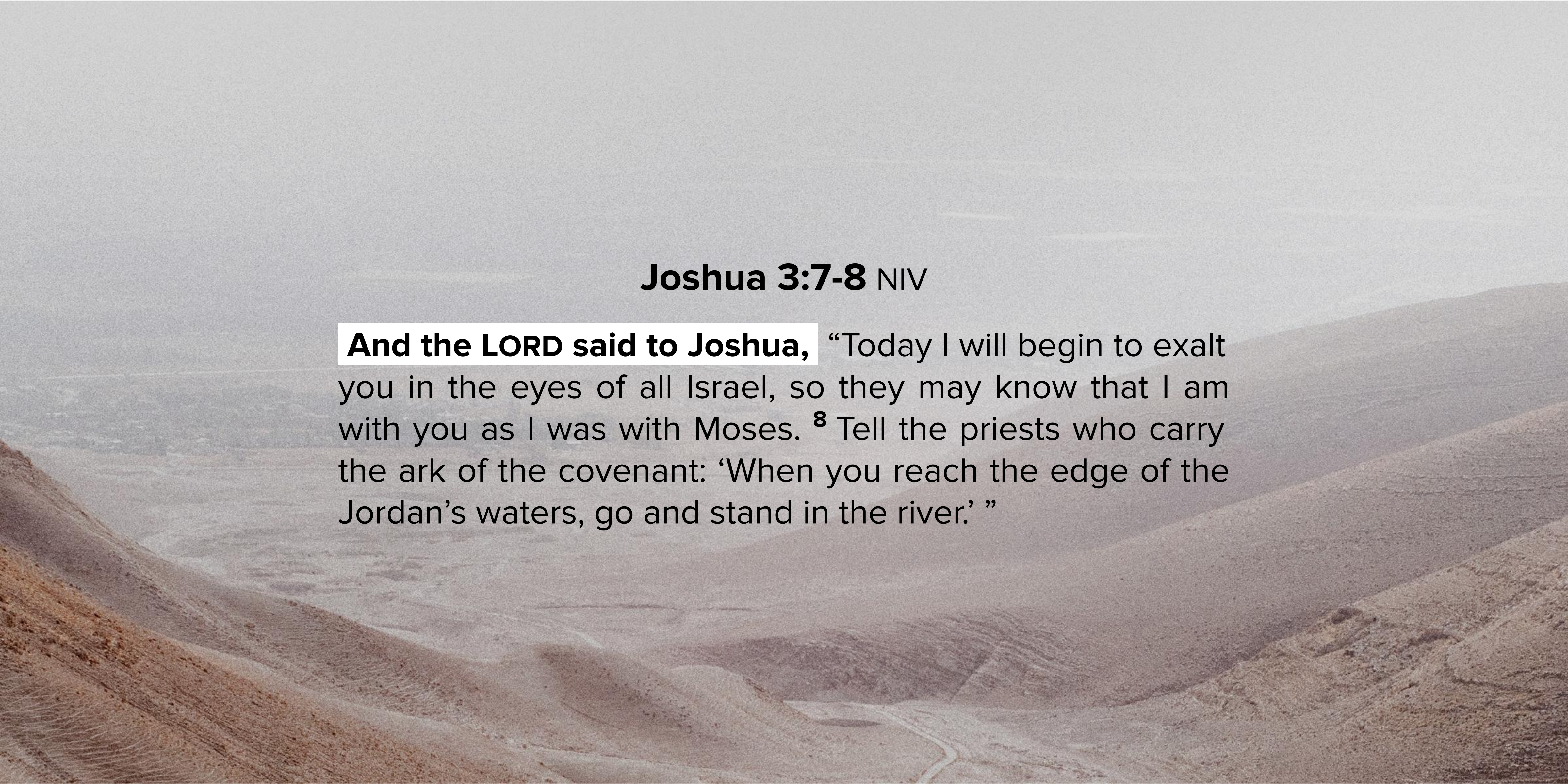
Joshua 3:5 NIV

Joshua told the people, “Consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow the LORD will do amazing things among you.”

A misty, mountainous landscape with a winding road in the foreground. The scene is hazy, with rolling hills and a path that leads into the distance. The colors are muted, with shades of brown, tan, and grey dominating the palette.

Joshua 3:6 NIV

Joshua said to the priests, “Take up the ark of the covenant and pass on ahead of the people.” So they took it up and went ahead of them.

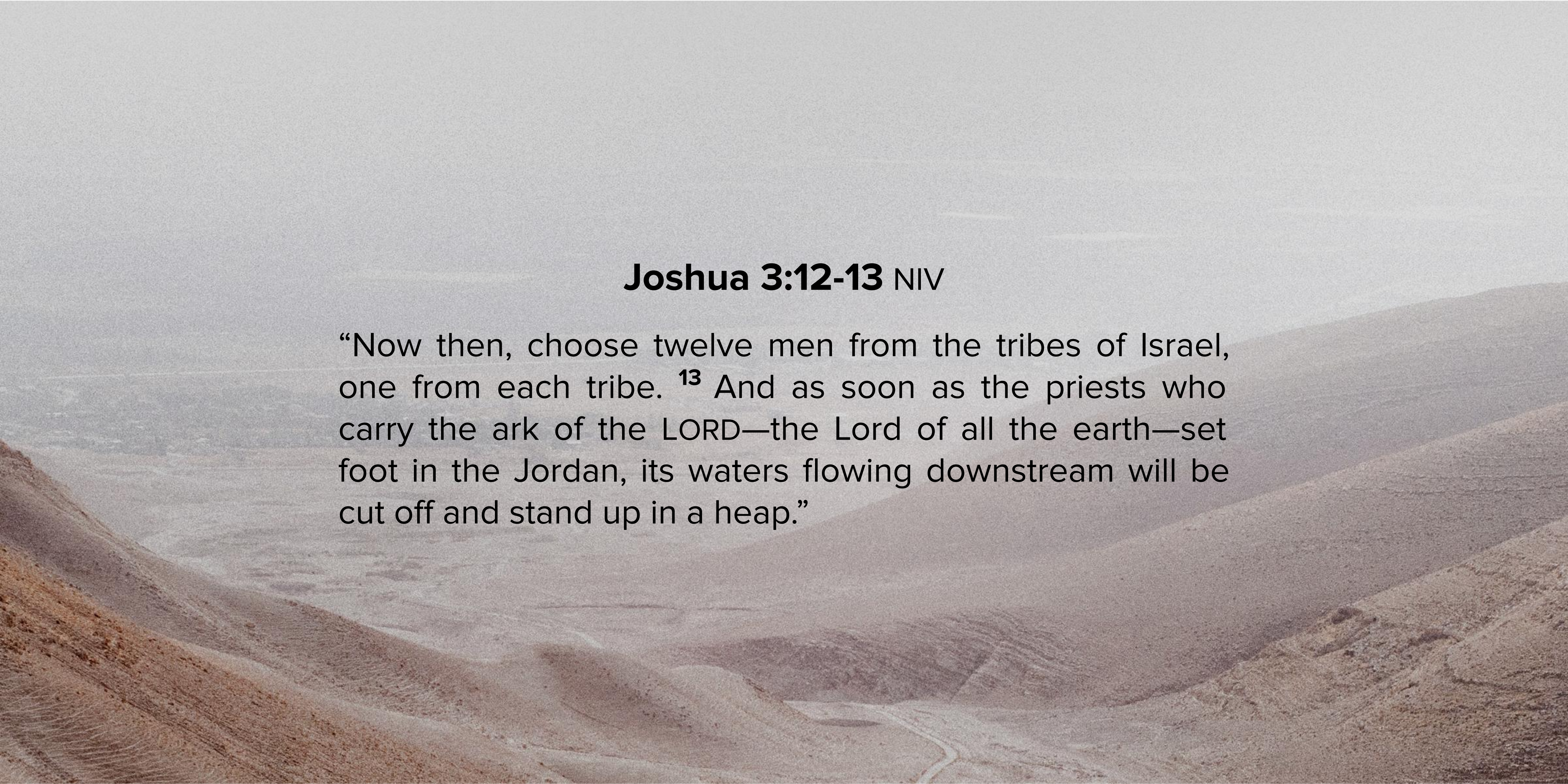
A misty, mountainous landscape with a winding road in the foreground. The scene is hazy, with soft light filtering through the air, creating a serene and somewhat somber atmosphere. The mountains are layered, with the closest ones showing more detail and the further ones fading into the mist. A narrow, light-colored road or path winds through the lower part of the valley, leading the eye into the distance.

Joshua 3:7-8 NIV

And the LORD said to Joshua, “Today I will begin to exalt you in the eyes of all Israel, so they may know that I am with you as I was with Moses. ⁸ Tell the priests who carry the ark of the covenant: ‘When you reach the edge of the Jordan’s waters, go and stand in the river.’ ”

Joshua 3:9-11 NIV

Joshua said to the Israelites, “Come here and listen to the words of the LORD your God. ¹⁰ This is how you will know that the living God is among you and that he will certainly drive out before you the Canaanites, Hittites, Hivites, Perizzites, Girgashites, Amorites and Jebusites. ¹¹ See, the ark of the covenant of the Lord of all the earth will go into the Jordan ahead of you.”

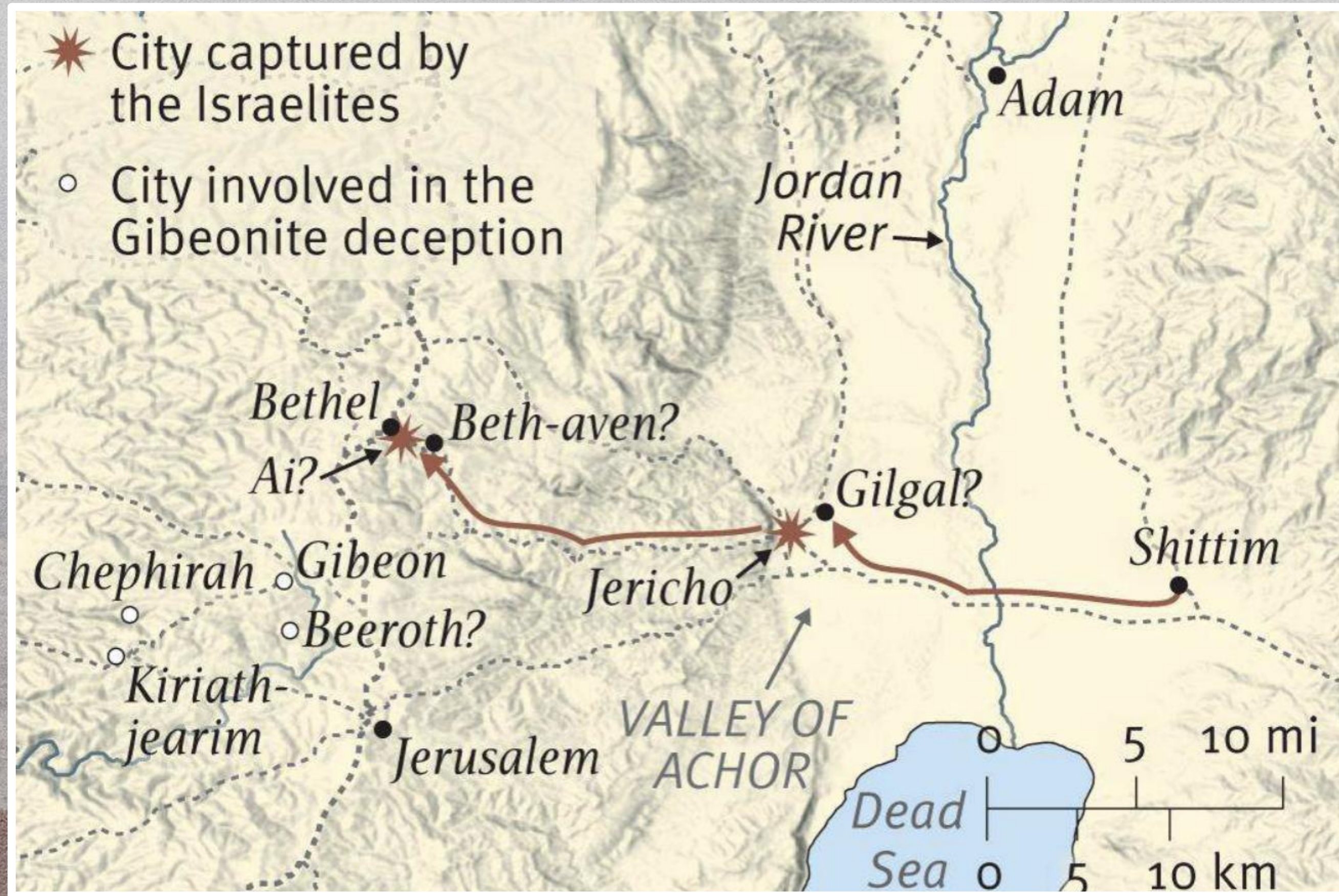
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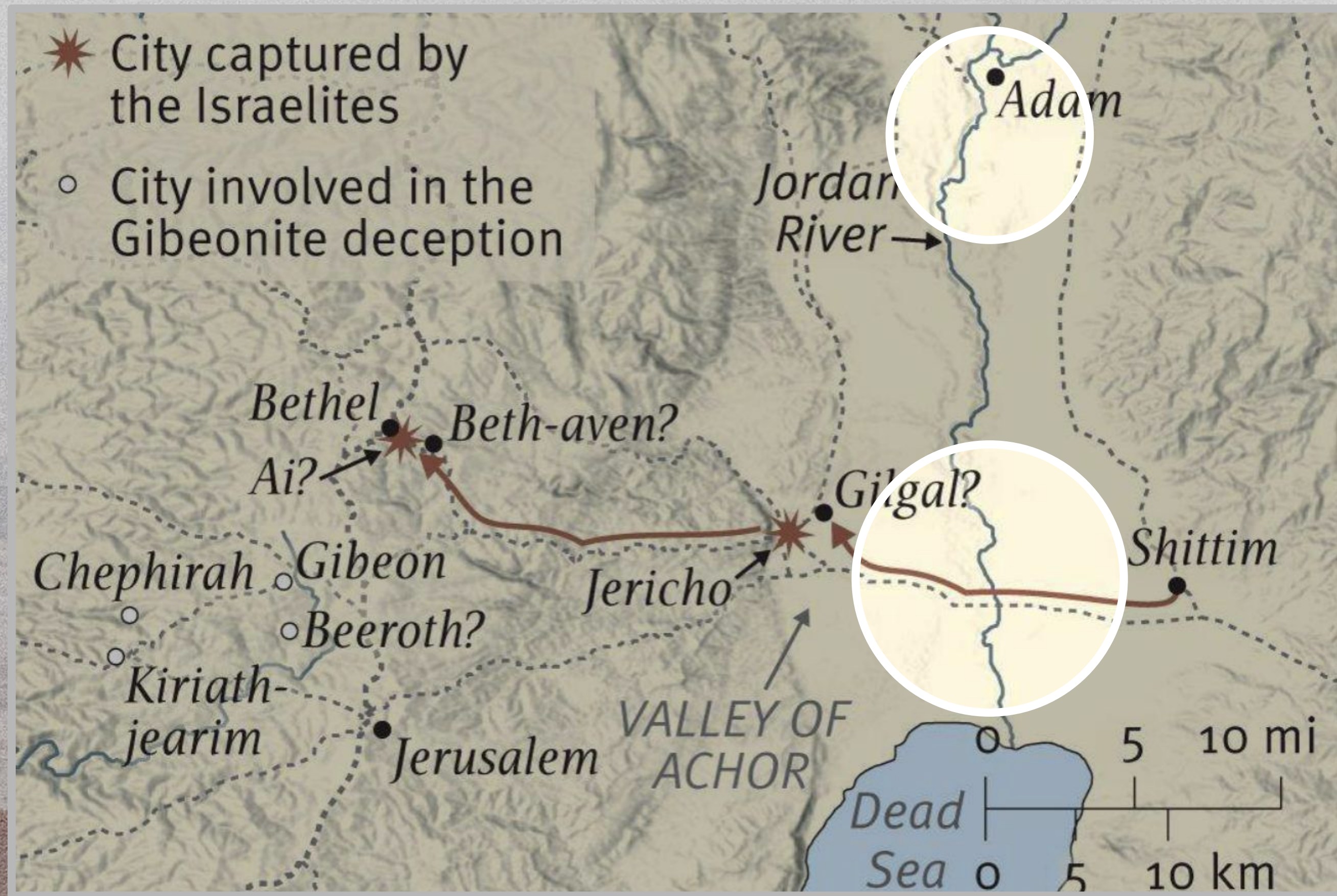
Joshua 3:12-13 NIV

“Now then, choose twelve men from the tribes of Israel, one from each tribe. ¹³ And as soon as the priests who carry the ark of the LORD—the Lord of all the earth—set foot in the Jordan, its waters flowing downstream will be cut off and stand up in a heap.”

Joshua 3:14-16 NIV

So when the people broke camp to cross the Jordan, the priests carrying the ark of the covenant went ahead of them. ¹⁵ Now the Jordan is at **flood stage** all during harvest. Yet as soon as the priests who carried the ark reached the Jordan and their feet touched the water's edge, ¹⁶ the water from upstream stopped flowing. It piled up in a heap a great distance away, at a town called Adam in the vicinity of Zarethan, while the water flowing down to the Sea of the Arabah (that is, the Dead Sea) was completely cut off. So the people crossed over opposite Jericho.





Supernatural Event

Came to pass as predicted | Joshua 3:13, 15

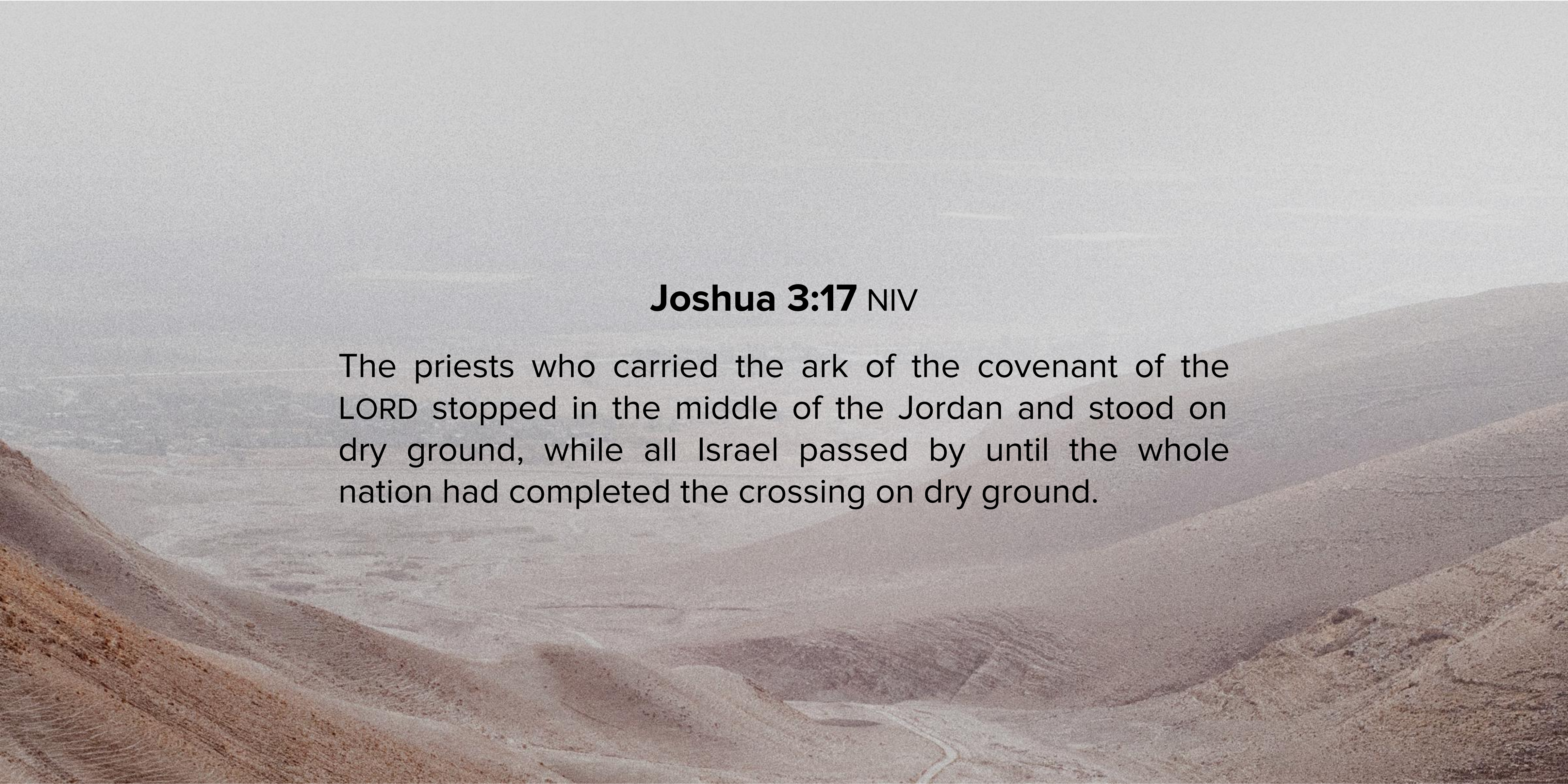
The timing was exact | 3:15

Took place when the river was at flood stage | 3:15

The wall of water was held in place for many hours | 3:16

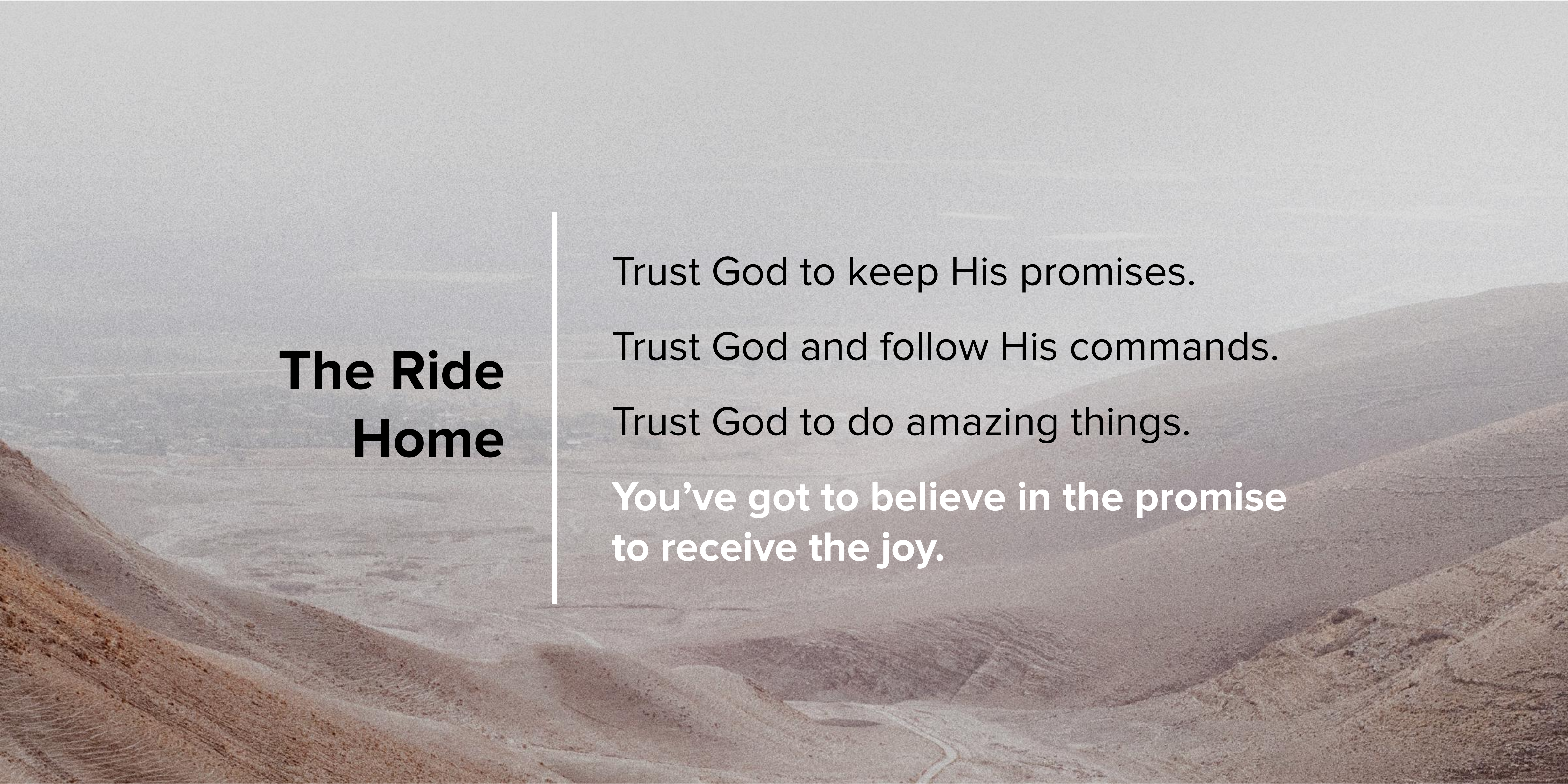
The soft, wet river bottom became dry at once | 3:17

The water returned immediately as soon as the people
and priests had crossed over | 4:18

A misty, mountainous landscape with a winding road in the foreground. The scene is hazy, with soft light filtering through the fog. The mountains are covered in sparse vegetation, and the road leads into the distance, disappearing into the mist. The overall mood is serene and mysterious.

Joshua 3:17 NIV

The priests who carried the ark of the covenant of the LORD stopped in the middle of the Jordan and stood on dry ground, while all Israel passed by until the whole nation had completed the crossing on dry ground.

The background of the image is a misty, mountainous landscape. A winding road is visible in the distance, leading through the valleys. The mountains are covered in dense vegetation, and the overall atmosphere is serene and somewhat ethereal due to the mist.

The Ride Home

Trust God to keep His promises.

Trust God and follow His commands.

Trust God to do amazing things.

**You've got to believe in the promise
to receive the joy.**