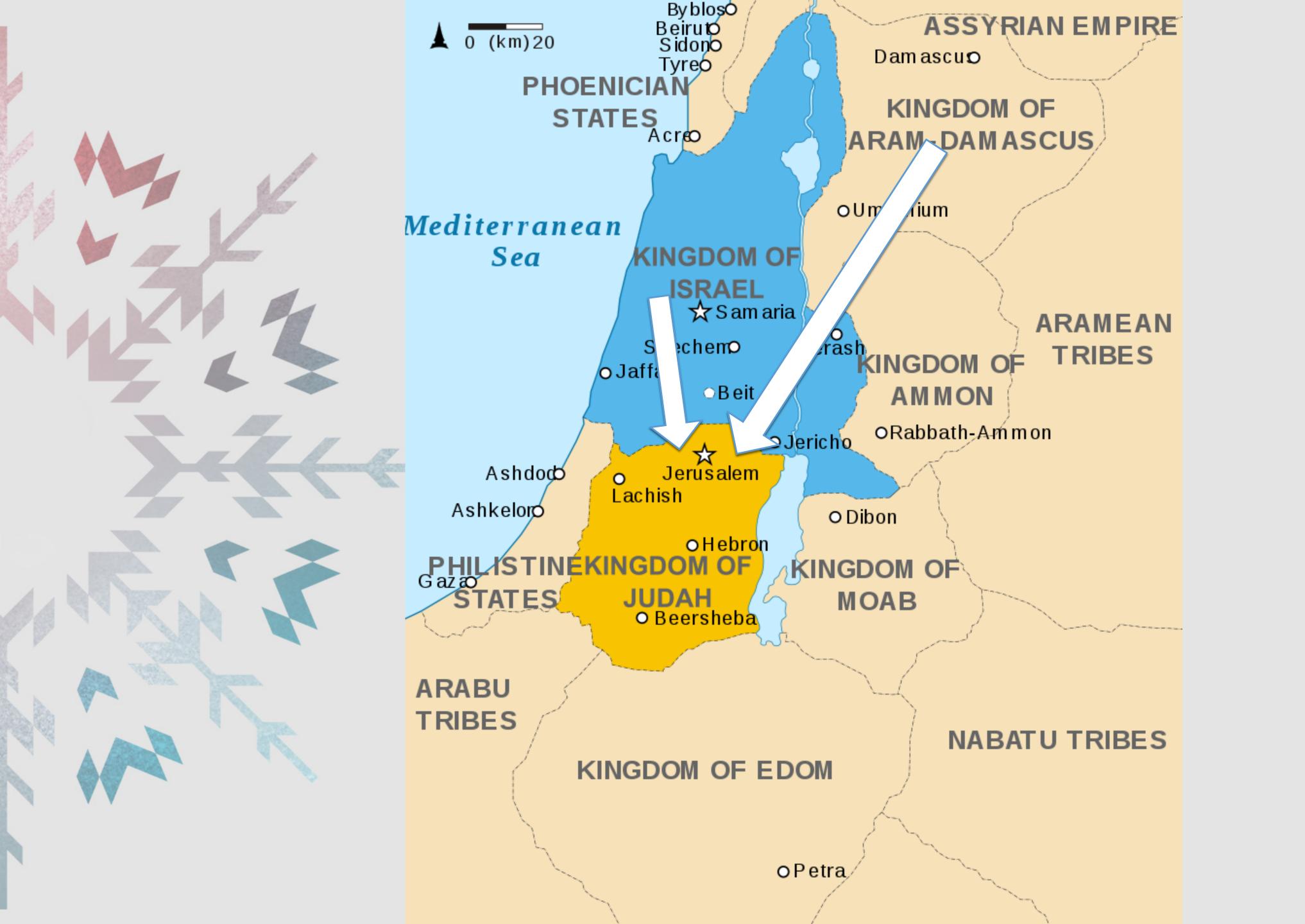
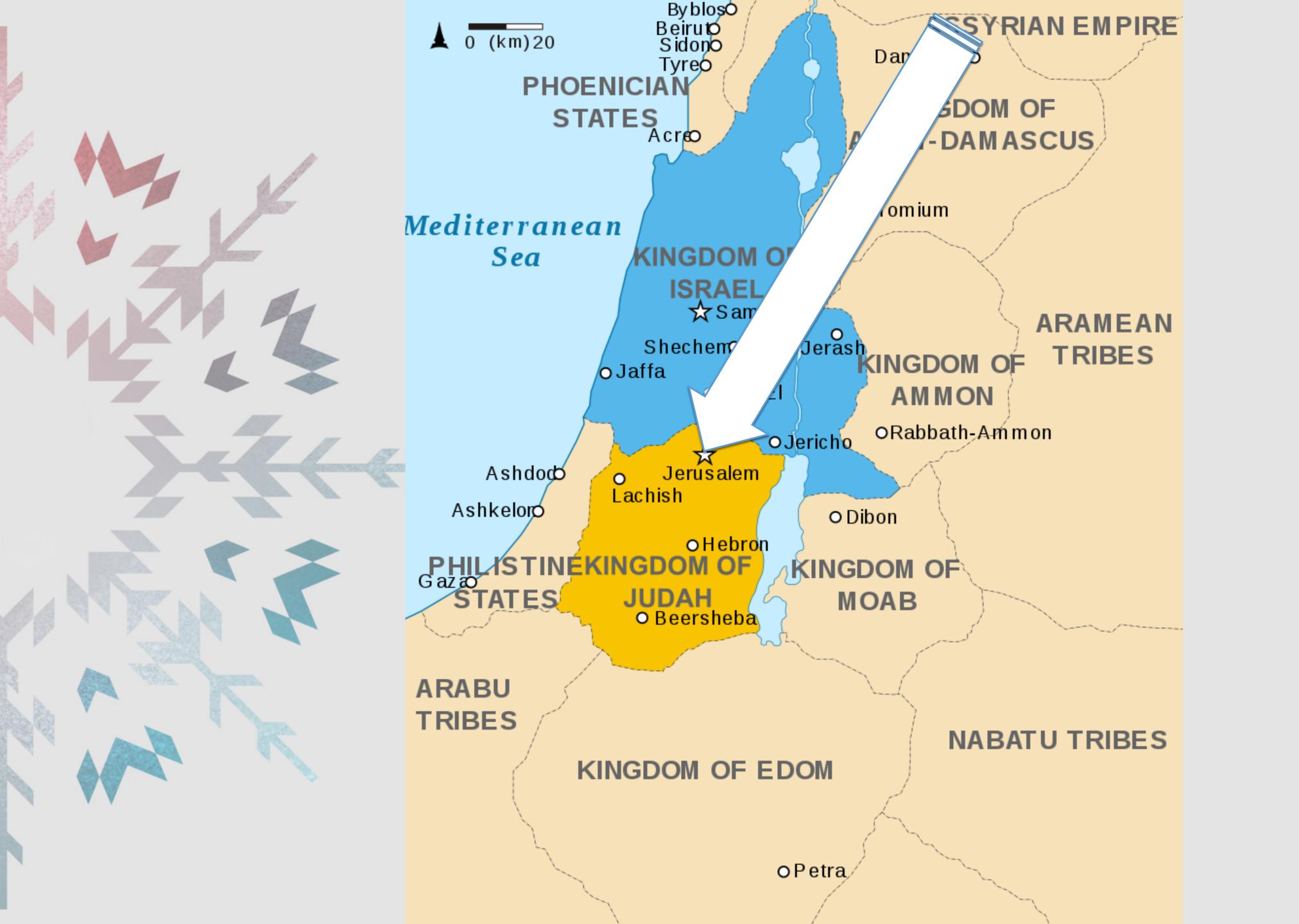




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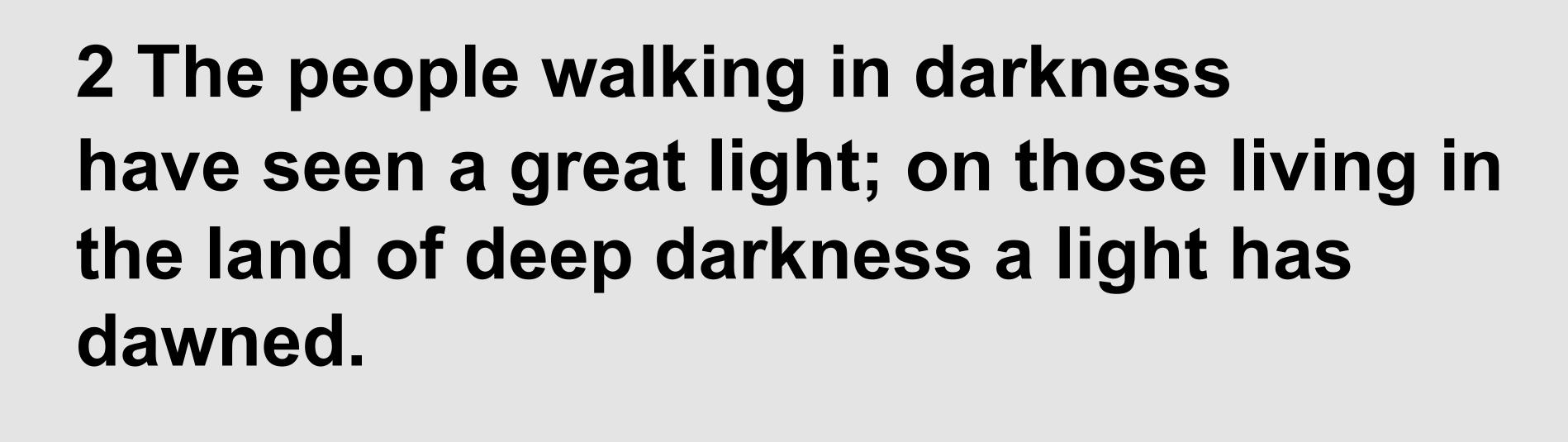
- 1. Inherited the kingship at age 20
- 2. Reigned for 16 years
- 3. "Did evil in the sight of the Lord"
- 4. Refused to trust the Lord in times of crisis.



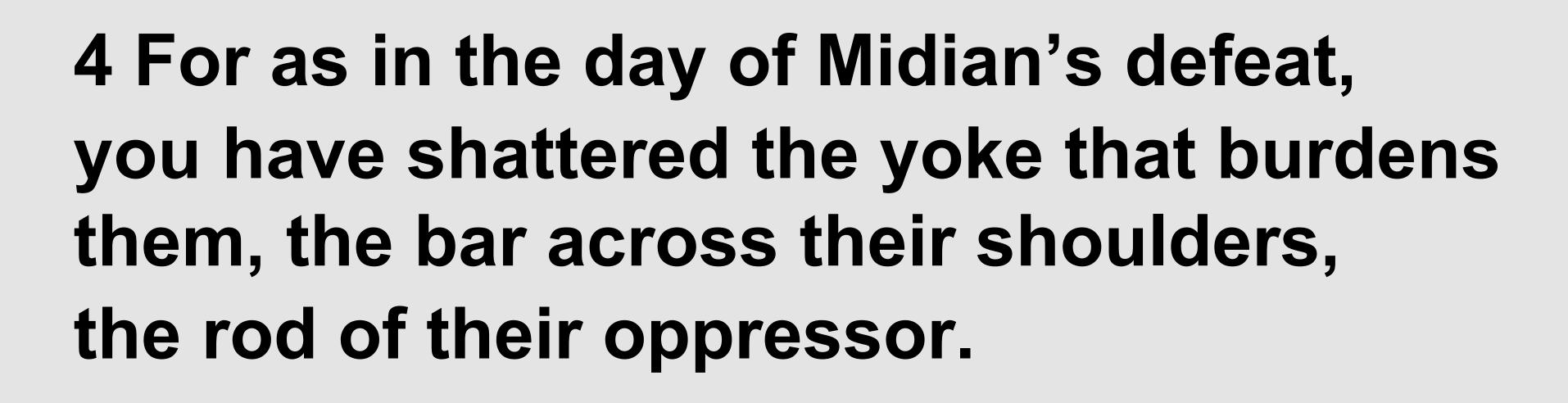




Nevertheless, there will be no more gloom for those who were in distress. In the past he humbled the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the future he will honor Galilee of the nations, by the Way of the Sea, beyond the Jordan—



3 You have enlarged the nation and increased their joy; they rejoice before you as people rejoice at the harvest, as warriors rejoice when dividing the plunder.



5 Every warrior's boot used in battle and every garment rolled in blood will be destined for burning, will be fuel for the fire.



6 For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.



7 Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this.





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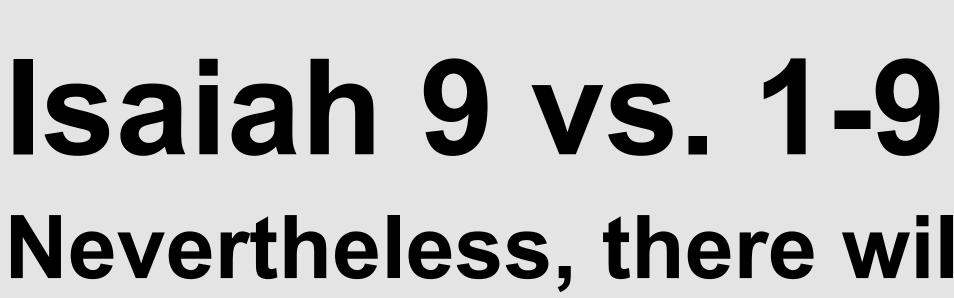
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2 The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned.





4 For as in the day of Midian's defeat, you have shattered the yoke that burdens them, the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor.



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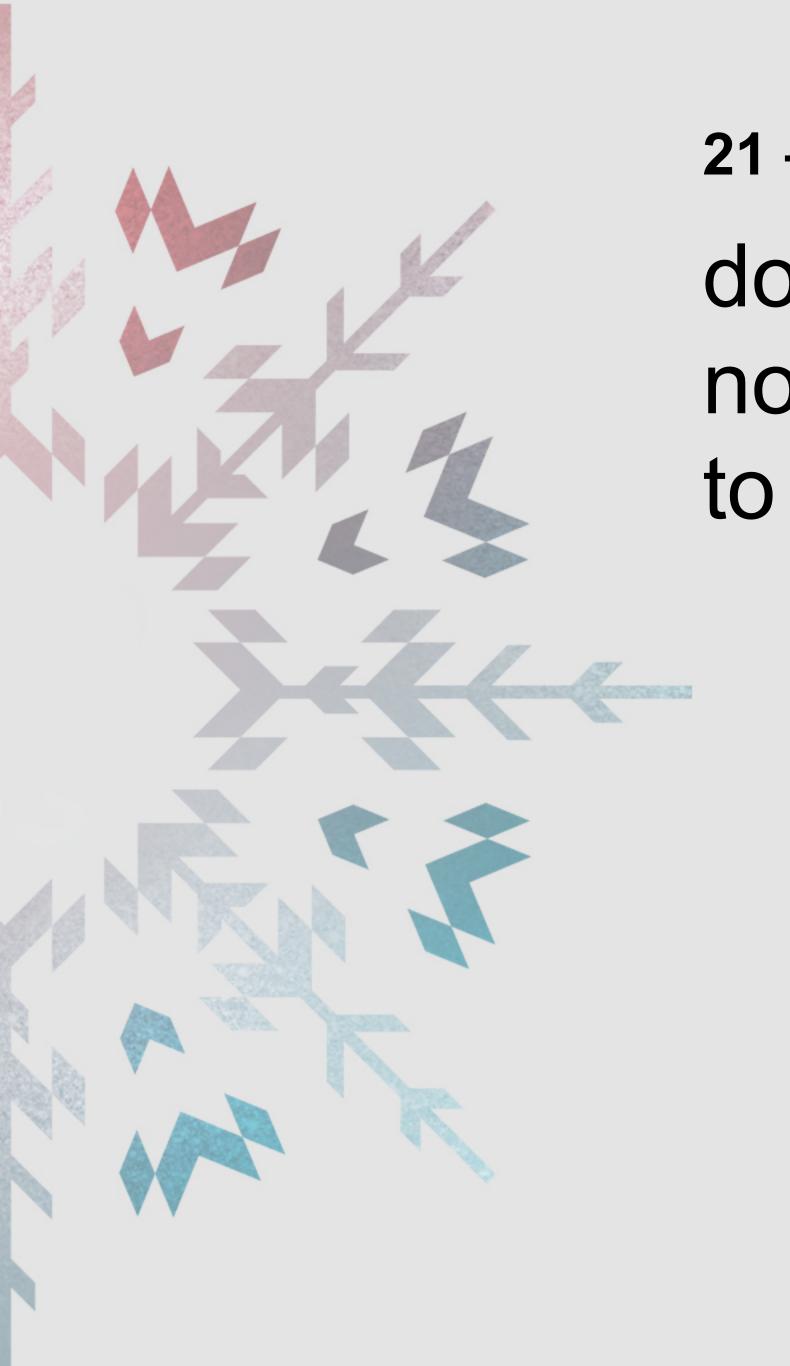
2. strength to the weak





Ephesians 1:18-21

¹⁸ I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, ¹⁹ and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength ²⁰ he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms,



²¹ far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come.





The capacity of your faith is only limited by the boundary of your fears.

