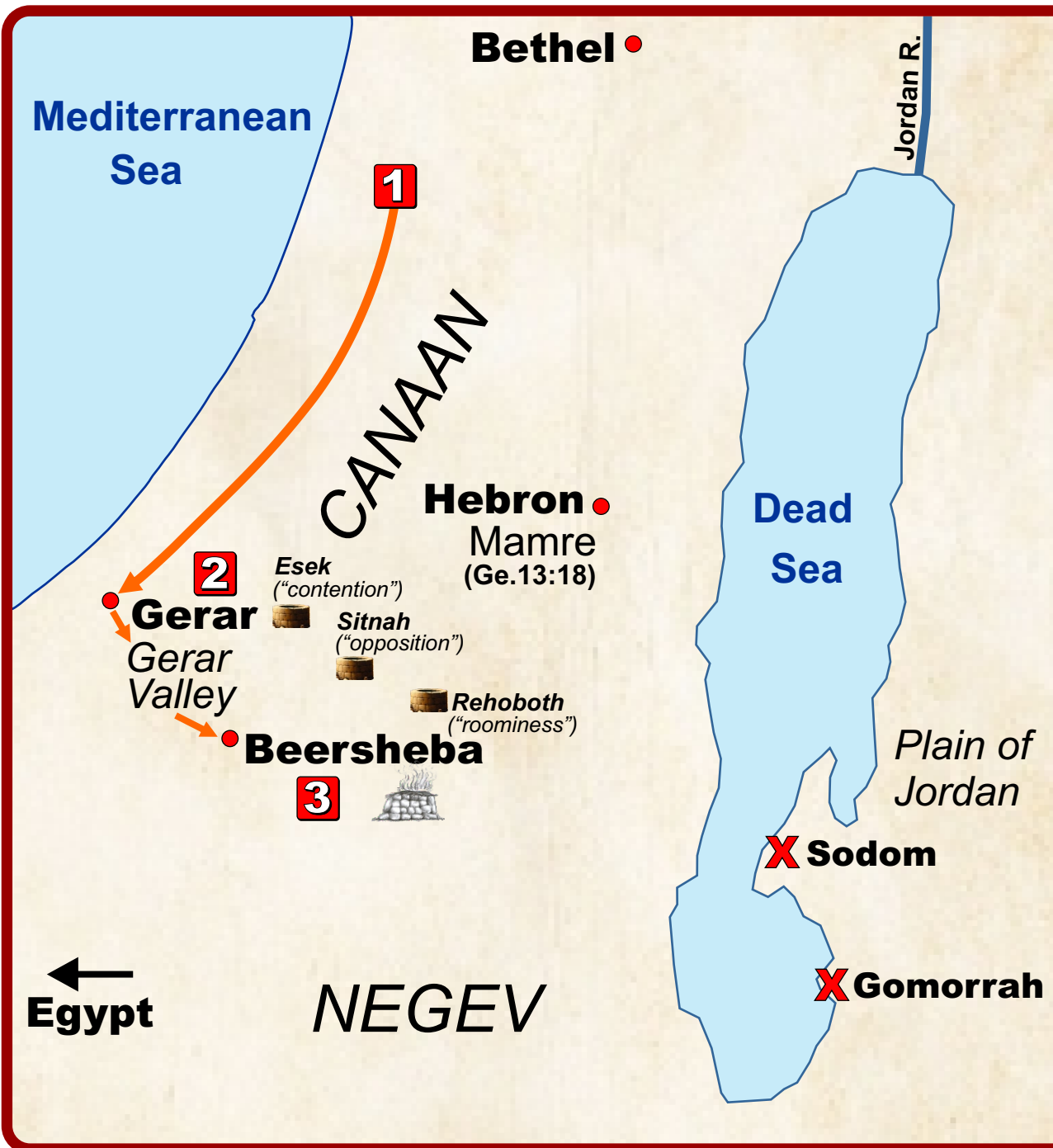




GENESIS 26

Isaac Travels & Wells

1

Isaac reacted to famine as his father had done (Ge.12,20).

26:1-6

As he journeyed south, the Lord appeared to him at Gerar and warned him not to go to Egypt.

God told Isaac to stay temporarily in Gerar but instead Isaac dwelt there.

2

He misrepresented his wife as his sister to the men of Gerar as his father had done (Ge.12:13).

26:7-17

When the deceit was exposed and rebuked, Isaac confessed.

Isaac became wealthy in Gerar so they asked him to leave. Isaac moved not so far away from Gerar to the Valley of Gerar.

3

The Philistines had stopped up the wells which Abraham had dug.

26:18-25

Strife ensued with the Philistines at Esek (contention) and Sitnah (opposition). Finally Isaac moved away from the Philistines.

There was no strife when he dug a well, so he called it Rehoboth ('broad places' or 'roominess').

APPLICATION

Water wells are essential for physical life as the the Word of God is for our spiritual life.