



God of the wilderness

Part 1 — The Way of the Wilderness

5 Who is this coming up from
the wilderness

Leaning on her beloved?

Song of Solomon 8:5

The wilderness is the place where we learn to lean on God in a place where we have no other option but to do so.

This is why everyone
who achieved their
God-given purpose went
through a wilderness.
Even Jesus.

1 And afterward Moses and Aaron came and said to Pharaoh, "Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, '*Let My people go that they may celebrate a feast to Me in the wilderness.*' "

Exodus 5:1

We tend to view
wilderness as a trying,
difficult time of life.

God views it like a
Honeymoon.

The wilderness where
we learn to lean on
God in a place where
we have no other
option but to do so.

We must learn this one
thing if we have any
hope of reaching our
"Promised Land."

17 Now when Pharaoh had let the people go, *God did not lead them by the way of the land of the Philistines*, even though it was near

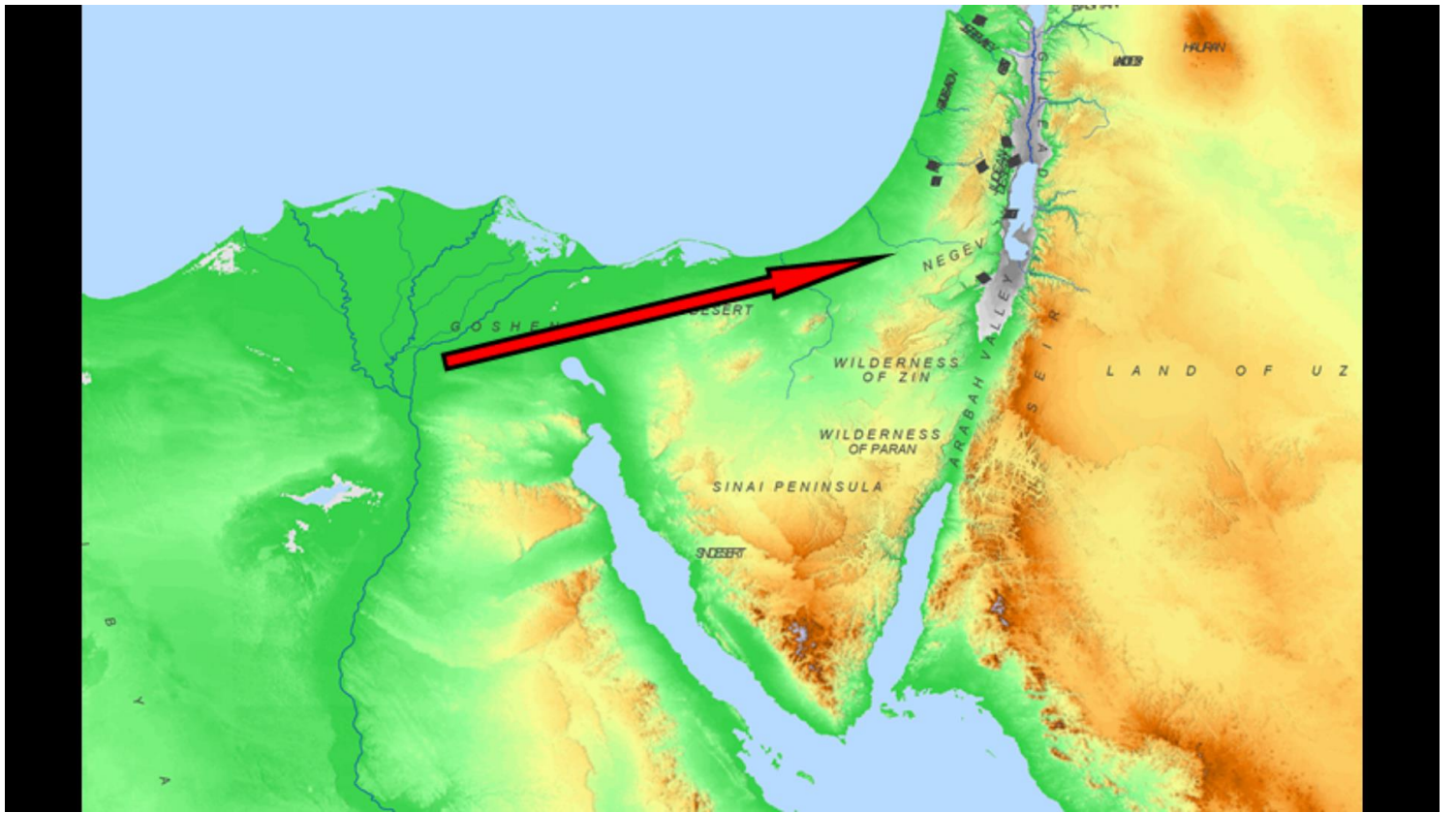
Exodus 13:17–18

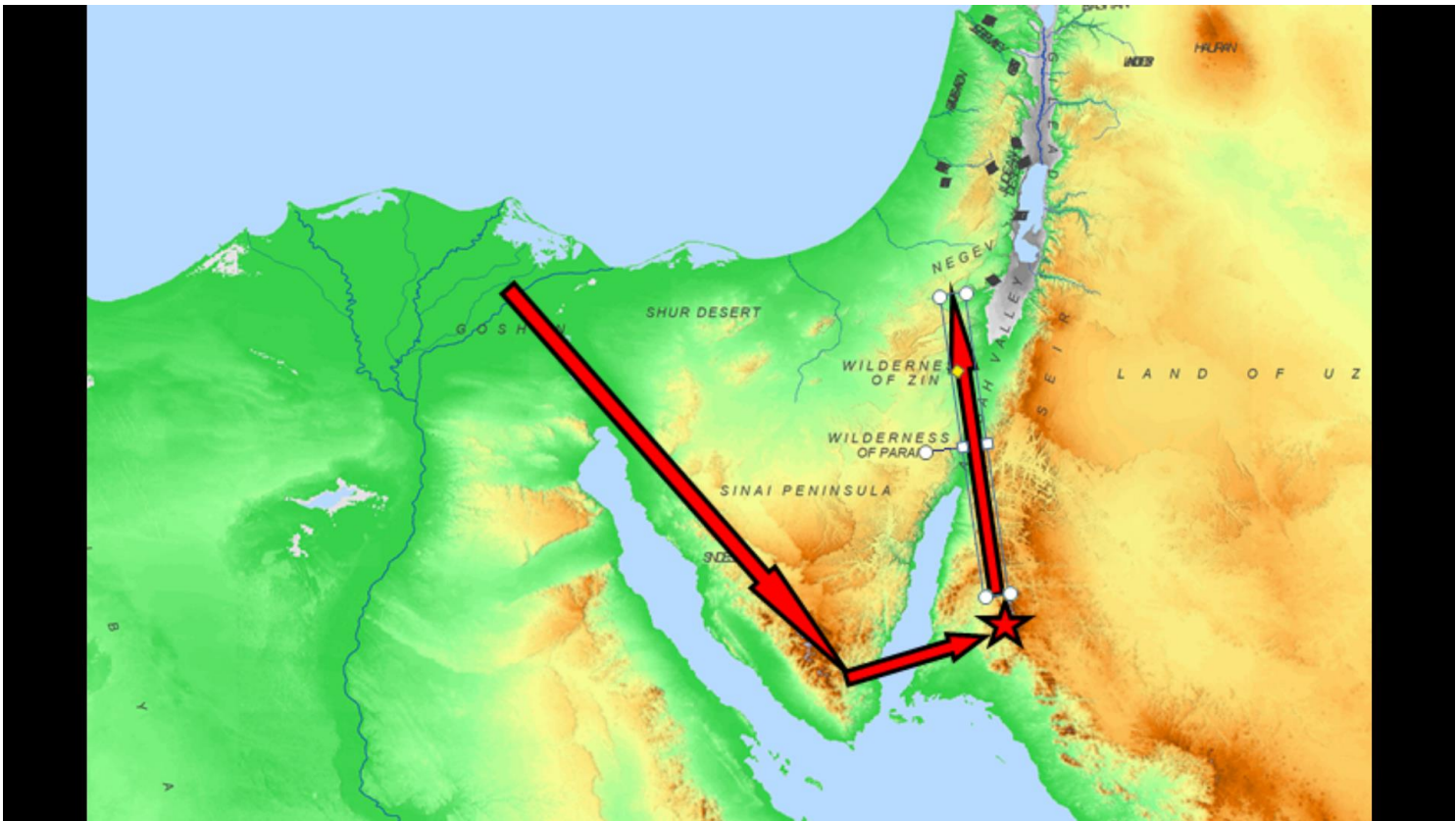
for God said, "*The people might change their minds when they see war, and return to Egypt.*"

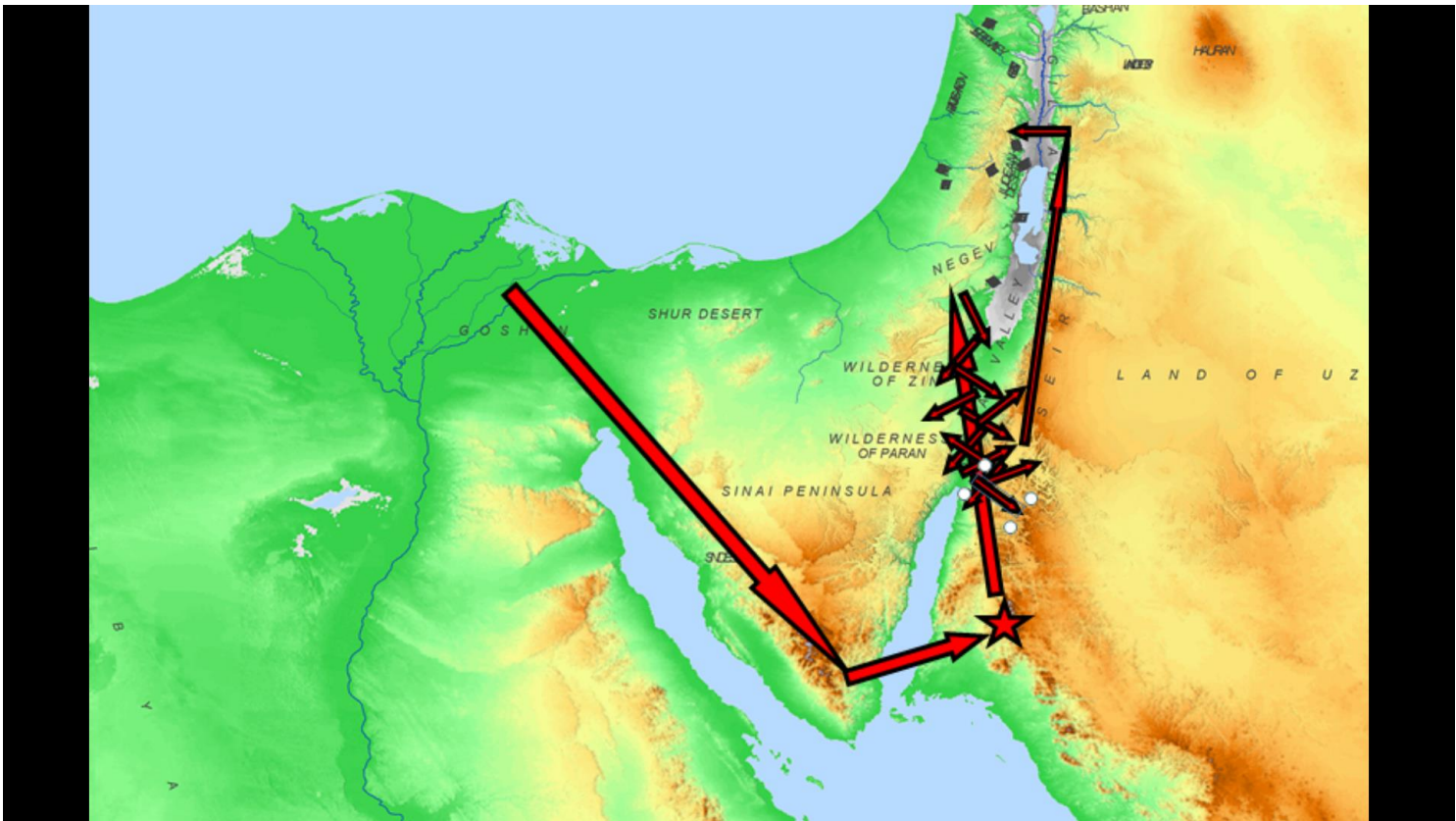
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18 Hence *God led the people around by the way of the wilderness to the Red Sea*; and the sons of Israel went up in martial array from the land of Egypt.

Exodus 13:17–18







The wilderness is the
only way to the
Promised Land. It
cannot be
circumvented.

GOOD NEWS!

When we are in a wilderness, we are on our way to seeing His promises fulfilled!

4 'You yourselves have seen
what I did to the Egyptians, and
how I bore you on eagles' wings,
and *brought you to Myself.*

Exodus 19:4–6

5 'Now then, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be ***My own possession*** among all the peoples, for all the earth is Mine;

Exodus 19:4–6

6 and *you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.* These are the words that you shall speak to the sons of Israel."

Exodus 19:4–6

His Presence, in a place
where our purposes in
living if fulfilled,
is Paradise.

God planted a garden
in Eden (Paradise)
in the middle of the
wilderness.

The only way back to
Eden is by learning the
way through the
wilderness.

