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## I. Spiritual Leadership: A Prayer from George

“O eternal and everlasting God, I presume to present myself this morning before Thy Divine majesty, beseeching Thee to accept of my humble and hearty thanks, that it hath pleased Thy great goodness to keep and preserve me the night past from all the dangers poor mortals are subject to, and has given me sweet and pleasant sleep, whereby I find my body refreshed and comforted for performing the duties of this day, in which I beseech Thee to defend me from all perils of body and soul...



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Increase my faith in the sweet promises of the gospel; give me repentance from dead works; pardon my wanderings, and direct my thoughts unto Thyself, the God of my salvation; teach me how to live in Thy fear, labor in Thy service, and ever to run in the ways of Thy commandments; make me always watchful over my heart, that neither the terrors of conscience, the loathing of holy duties, the love of sin, nor an unwillingness to depart this life, may cast me into a spiritual slumber, but daily frame me more and more into the likeness of Thy son Jesus Christ, that living in Thy fear, and dying in Thy favor, I may in Thy appointed time attain the resurrection of the just unto eternal life... bless my family, friends, and kindred.

- George Washington



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I. A Desire for God’s Presence

- A. David “at his best” as the shepherd king
- B. Determines to bring the ark to Israel’s new capital
  - 1. Ex. 25:10-22
- C. Not just a relocation, but a restoration
  - 1. A long time in Kirath-jearim (Baale-judah)
- D. David’s desire is laudable, but there are complications.



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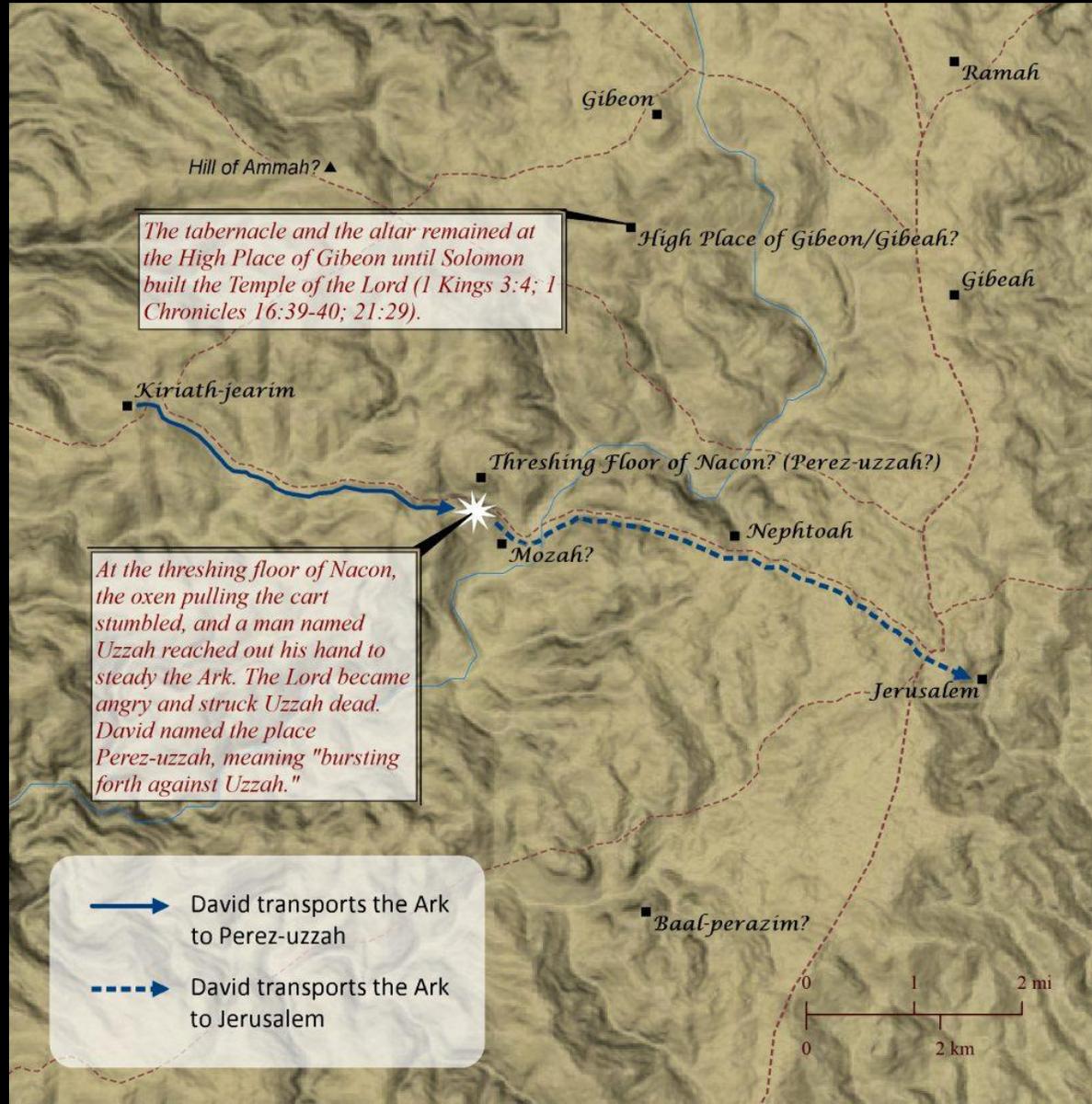
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4. How do we reconcile this hard passage?

a. “Do not touch!” (Num. 4:15, 19)

b. The dishonor to God precedes Uzzah’s action.

1b. 1 Chr. 15:2-4

c. God is holy. (Lev. 22:31-33)

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2. Instructions for us
  - a. 2 Tim. 2:15
  - b. 1 Tim. 4:1-6

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III. Hope in God’s Mercy and Learn from His Rebuke

A. There is a way back.

1. The God who struck down also blesses. (1 Chr. 26:4-8)

a. David takes the blessing as a sign.

2. The ark is brought to Jerusalem.

B. Reminders of God’s forgiveness

1. 1 John 1:6-9; 2:1-2; Jer. 31:31-34



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#### IV. “Rejoice in the Lord”

- A. Joy runs through this passage.
- B. Joy should be at the center of our worship and service, too.
  - 1. Phil. 4:4; John 15:10-11
- C. The foil of Michal
  - 1. Gen. 4:3-8
- D. Preparation will help.
- E. A psalm of praise: Ps. 105:1-7