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# Map of the Ark of the Covenant's journey

Painted landscape



Follow the Ark from Shiloh through Philistine territory, back to Israel, and into Jerusalem.

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## 4. Gath

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The Philistine rulers move the Ark to Gath, where another outbreak follows.

## 5. Ekron

1 Samuel 5:10-12

The Ark reaches Ekron. Its people cry out and ask the rulers to send it back to Israel.

## 6. Beth Shemesh

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Two cows pull the cart carrying the Ark to Beth Shemesh. Reapers see it arrive.

## 7. Kiriath Jearim

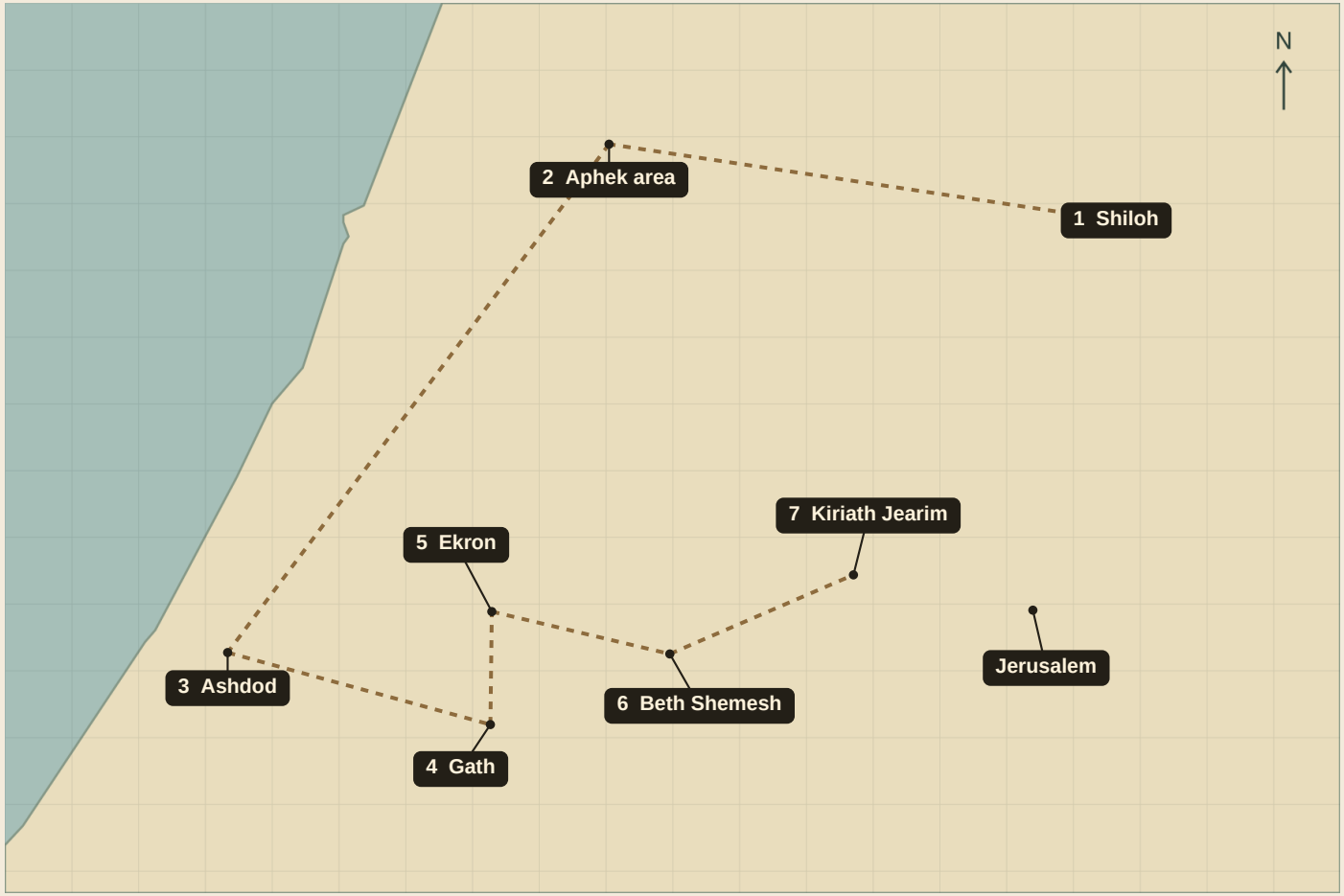
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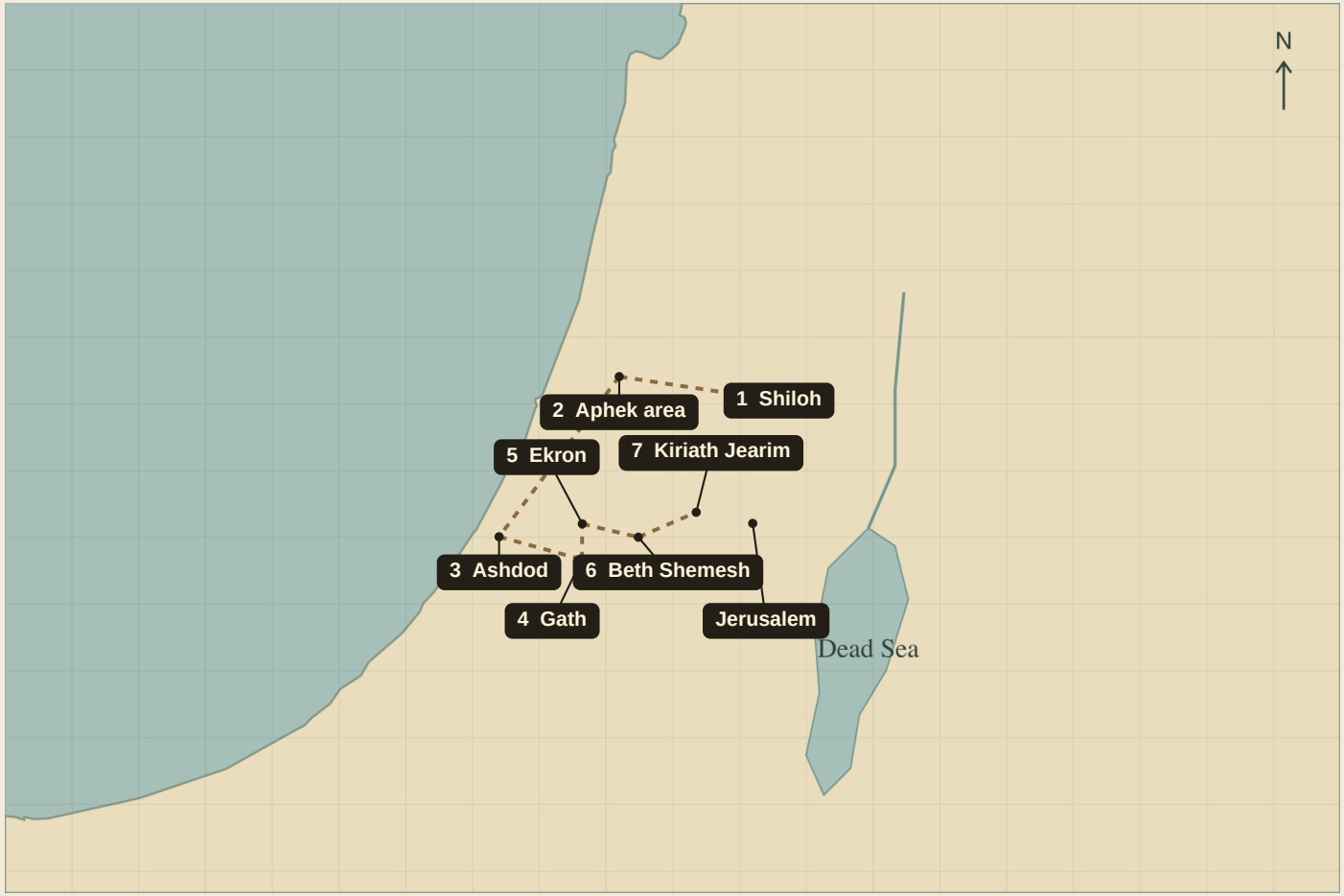
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## 2. The journey is interrupted

2 Samuel 6:6-11

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## 3. City of David

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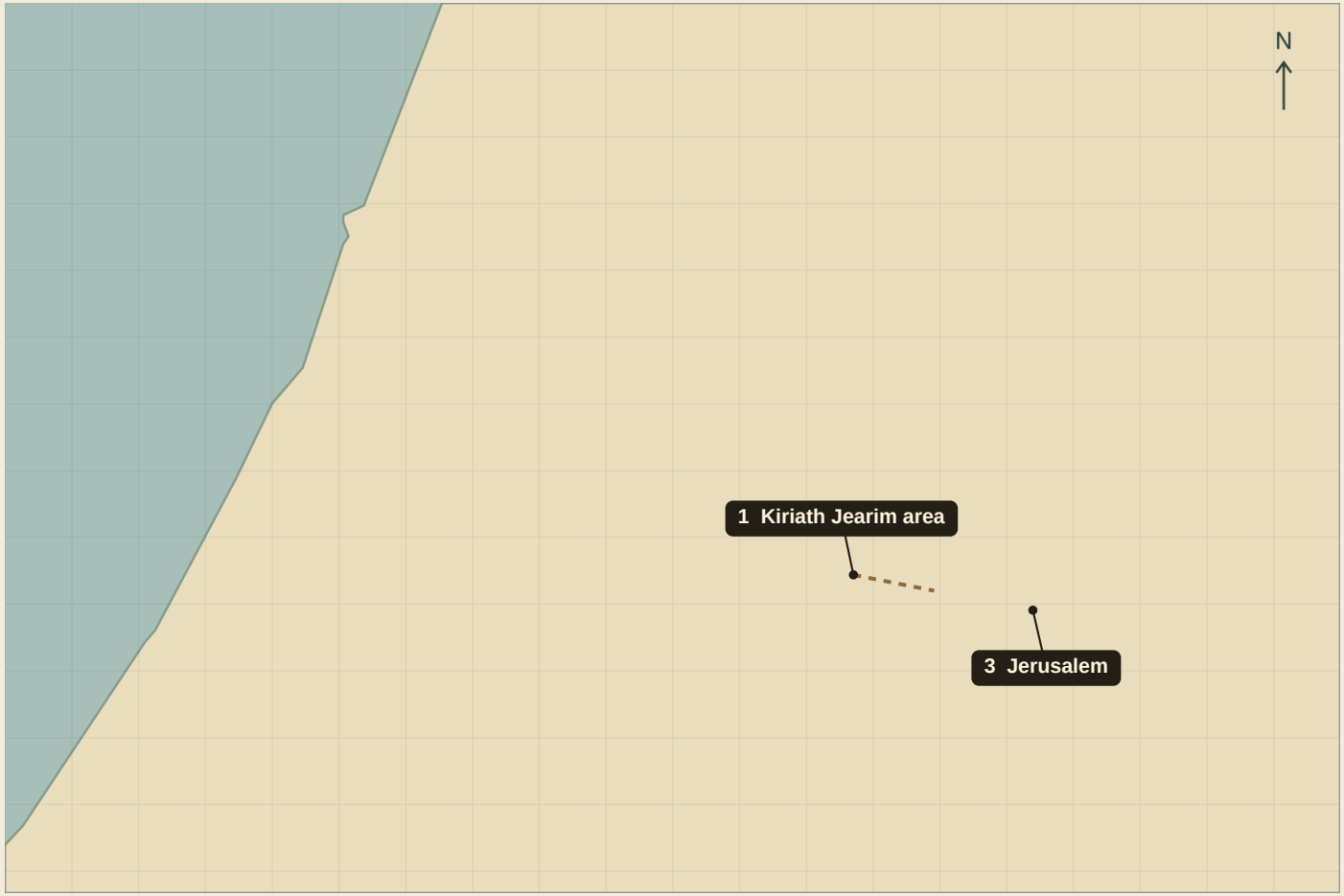
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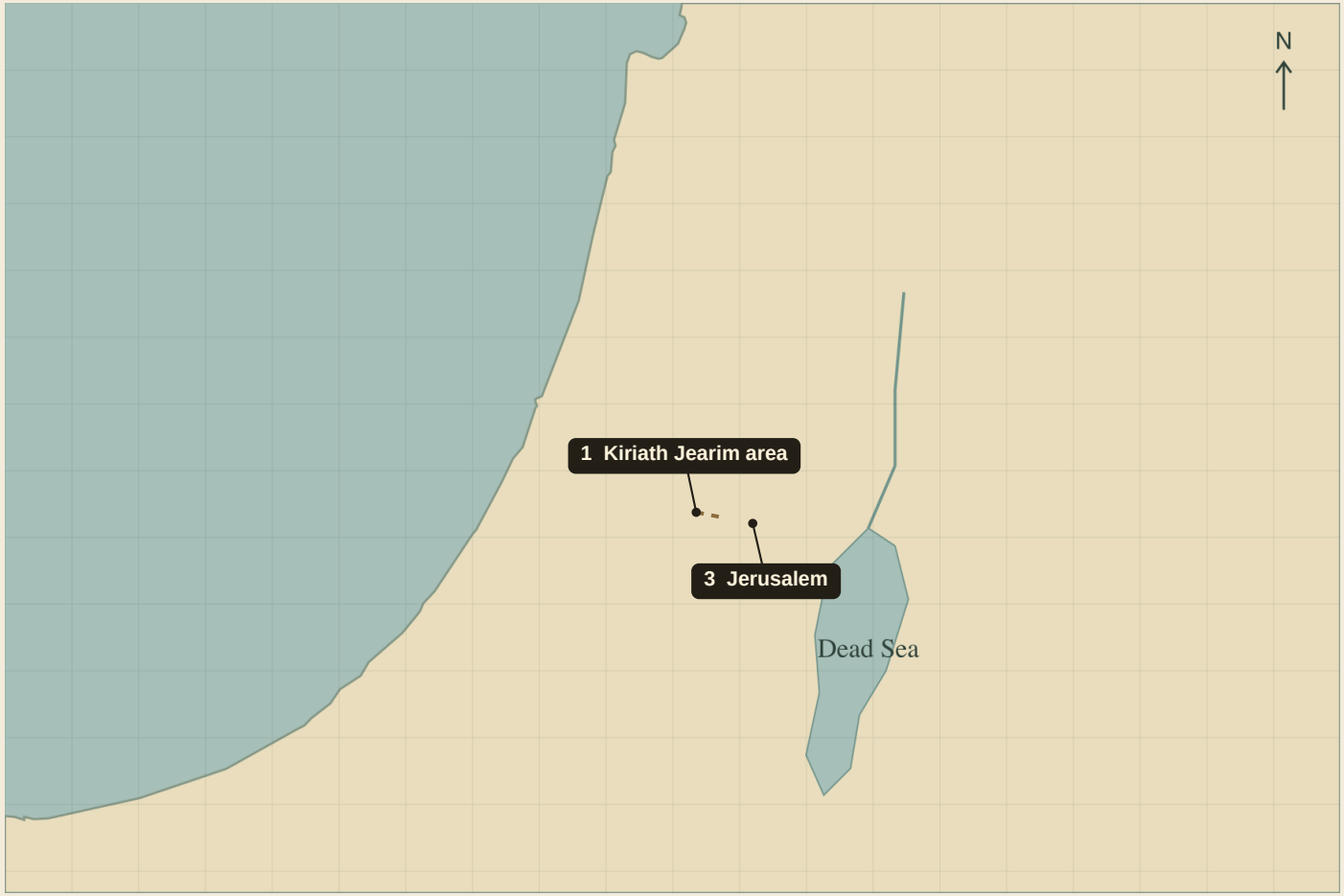
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Painted close-up | Jerusalem close-up




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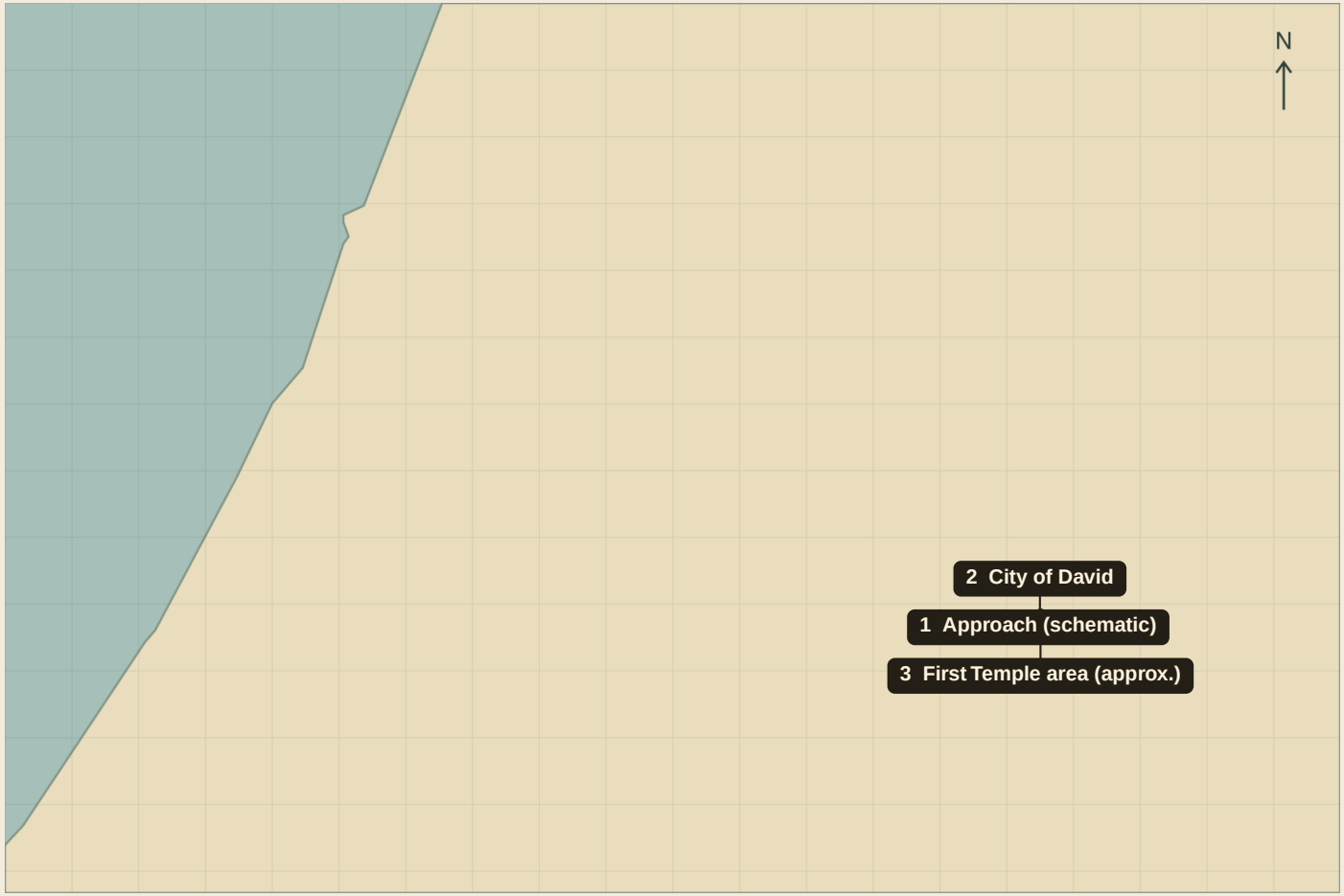
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