

TRANSITION

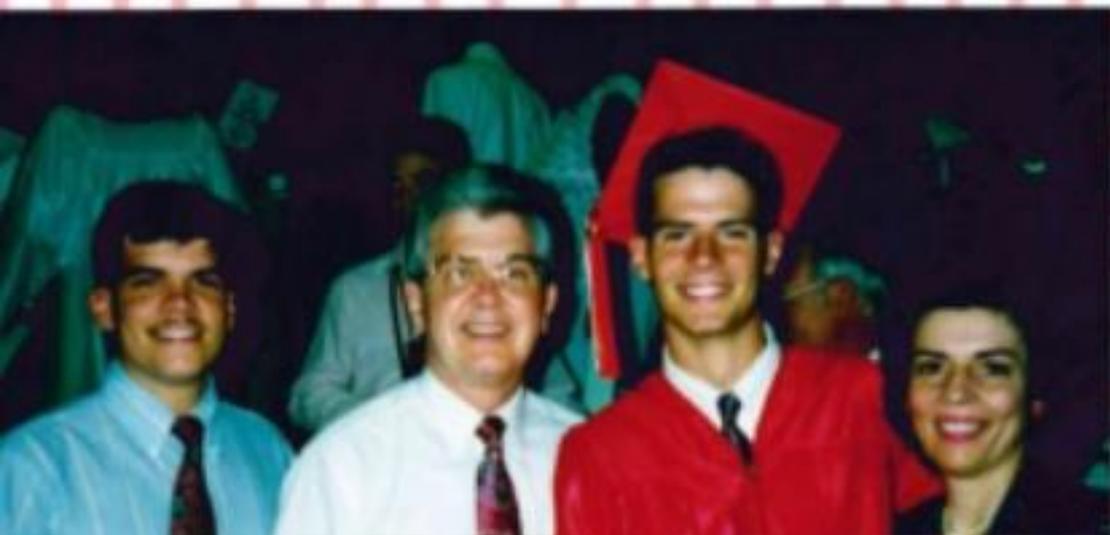


How to courageously trust God as you go from one state or condition to the next.



Coming home

Paul William Smith
May 19, 1972





“Perhaps life is best described
as a steady stream of transitions
and change.”

What transition **are you**
currently going through?

What makes transitions and
change so **hard**?

Letting
Go

LIMBO

New
Normal

Confused Anxious Vulnerable

Goal of this series:

That we would begin to **see** and **believe** that every transition is a call to **proactive trust** in our God, and that He is always working in our lives for **his glory and our good**.

Why this is important:

Our **responses** to times of transition have a **significant affect** on **spiritual growth**.

Why this is important:

Our **responses** of trust in the goodness of God during times of transition **can be a significant witness** to the on looking world.



He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me
beside quiet waters, he restores my soul. He guides
me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

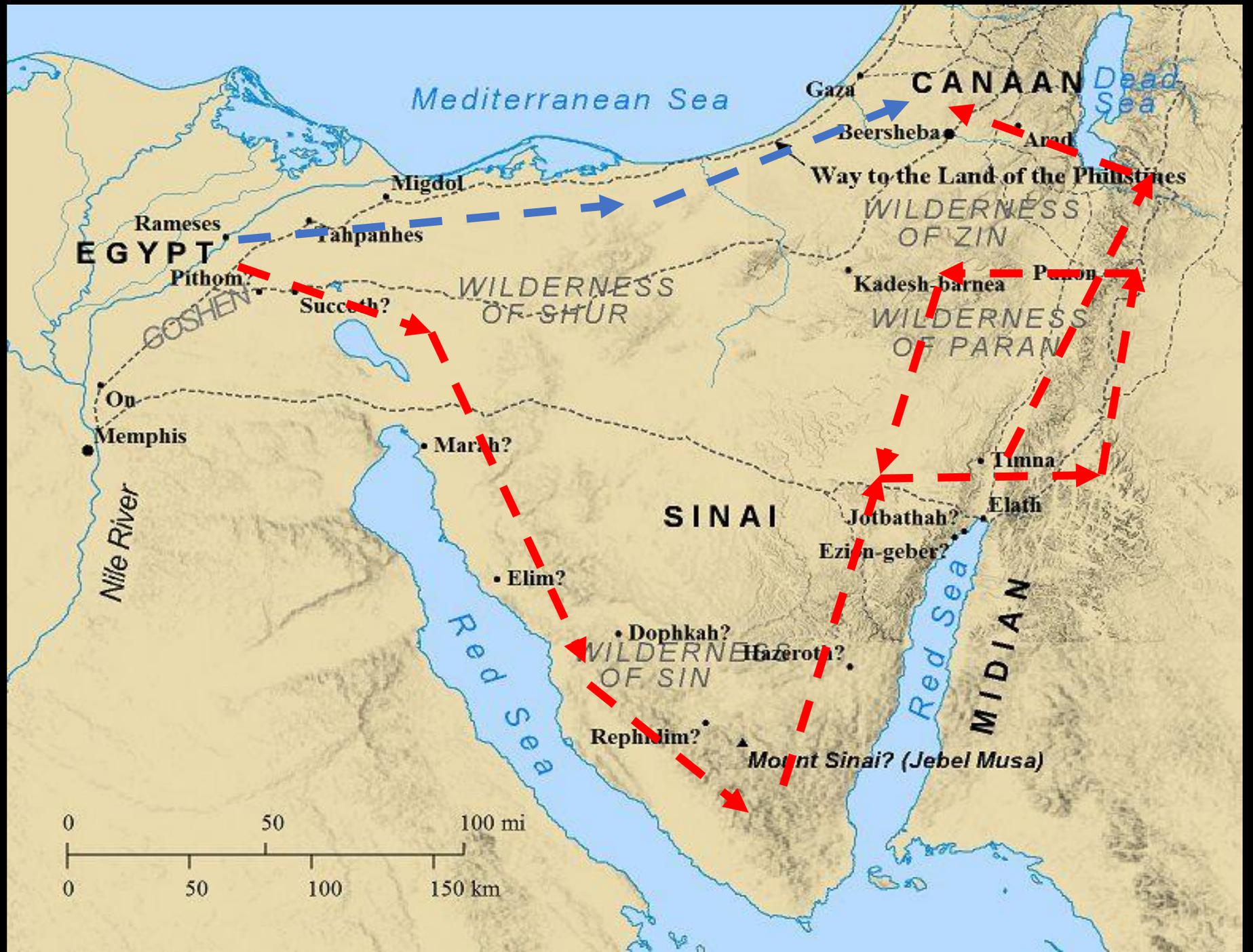
- Psalm 23:2-3 -

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Finding Meaning:

Transitions allow us to fulfill **God's purposes** for our lives in a new and greater way.

“Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my treasured possession. Although the whole earth is mine, **you will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.**”

Ex. 19:5

"continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill **his good purpose.**"

phil 2:13

Every person is born with purpose.

God works in every situation to fulfill
His purpose.

God purposes are those which truly last.

“For we are God’s handiwork, **created in Christ Jesus to do good works**, which God prepared in advance for us to do.”

Eph 2:10

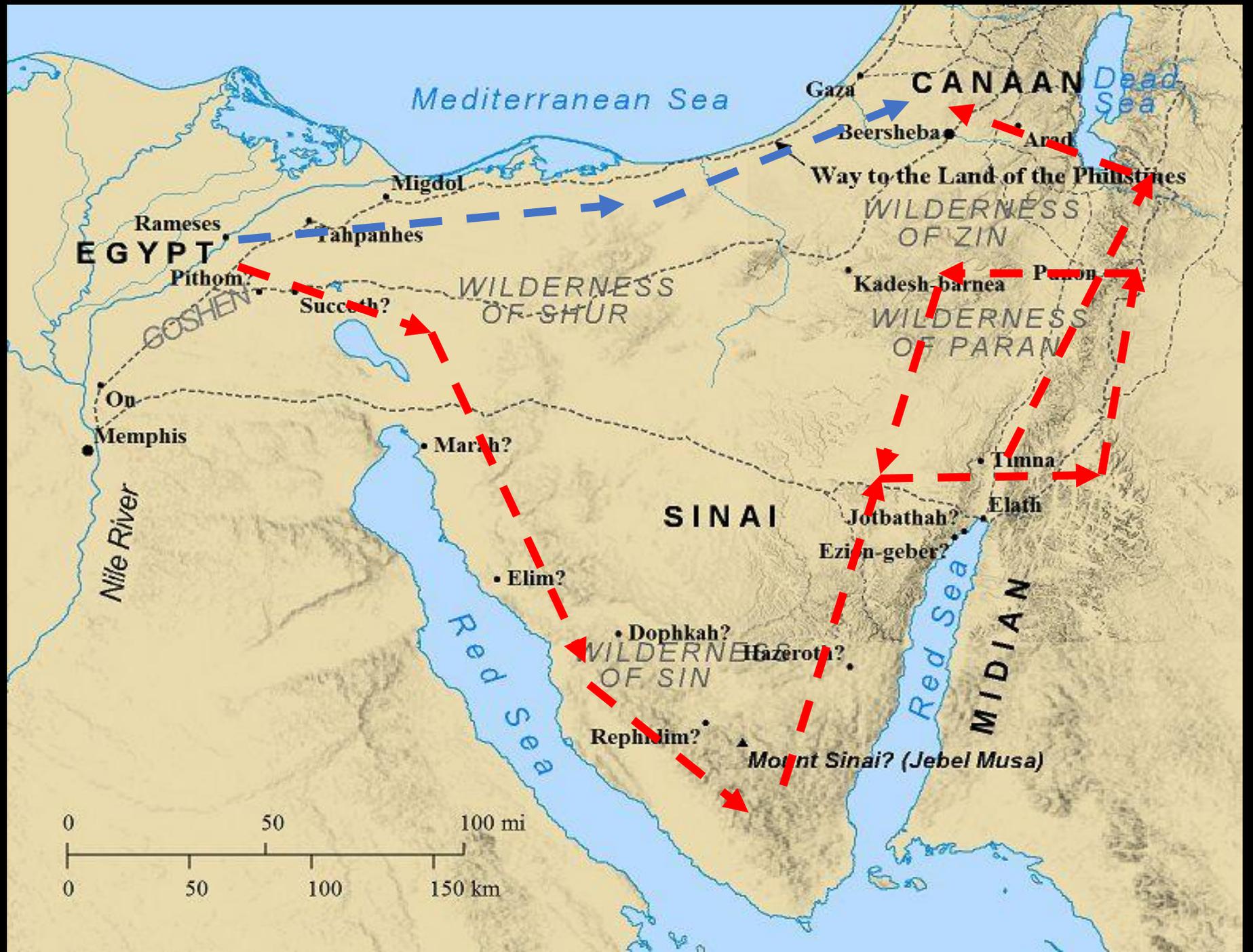
Finding Meaning:

Transitions are times when God is working deep within us, bringing about greater internal **PURITY!**

Purity = Free of contamination







“for I know that through your prayers and God's provision of the Spirit of Jesus Christ **what has happened** to me has happened for my **deliverance**...for me to live is Christ and die is gain.”

Phil 1:22-23



Finding Security:

Transitions are times when we discover that true and lasting security in this life comes from **God's Promises** and his **Presence**.

God's Promises & Presence



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For all the promises of God are
"Yes" in Christ. And so through
Him, our "Amen" is spoken to the
glory of God.

2 Cor 1:20



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“And surely I am with you
always, to the very end of the
age.”

Matt. 28:20

