Event 16: A Southern Attack

In this event, Moab and her allies approached Judah by a seldom used 'back door,' via En-gedi on the shores of the Dead Sea to a road which runs through the Wilderness to Tekoa. The road from En-gedi to Tekoa and Bethlehem is not difficult except for the lack of water in the Wilderness and the initial ascent above En-gedi, called in the bible 'the Ascent of Ziz.' However, the forces which had been mobilized to attack Judah spent themselves fighting with each other at the En-gedi springs.

Meanwhile, Jehoshaphat, his army and his support team began their descent to En-gedi from Jerusalem, via Bethlehem and Tekoa.