

### Event 20: Israel's Entrance

【Map 2】 LB MAP lower to across middle. When the forty years in the wilderness came to an end, Egyptian armies still controlled the region of Gaza, Moses and the Israelites made their way far to the south in the direction of Elath on the Red Sea, then headed north along the Desert Highway in Transjordan to avoid the regions of Edom and Moab. Israel planned to move northwest from the Arnon Camp across the Medeba Plateau, an area controlled by Sihon, the Amorite king at Heshbon. Moses sought safe passage from Sihon but the Amorite king sent troops to stop Israel at Jahaz. The Amorites were defeated, and Israel took possession of Sihon's land from the Arnon to Gilead.

【Map 3】 NCA map (bottom to Edrei). Early phases of Israelite settlement in Gilead could have resulted in a confrontation with Edrei, the major Amorite settlement standing in the way of the expanding Israelites. Here, we find the battle against Og of Bashan. On this map, we also note the Plains of Moab, the camp of Israel before they crossed the Jordan.

【Map 4】 SCA upper portion. After the death of Moses, Joshua led the Israelites from the Plains of Moab to cross River Jordan to Jericho, the "back door" to central Canaan. They had arrived in the promised land.