

HEBREWS



Heb 7:1-2

OUTLINE

I. Superiority of Christ	1:1-10:18
A. Over OT Prophets	1:1-4
B. Over OT Personalities	1:5-7:28
1. Superior over Moses	1:5-4:14
2. Superior over David	4:15-7:28
3. Superior over Aaron	5-7
a. Superior Priesthood	5:1-10
b. 3rd Warning	5:11-6:20
c. Superior Order	7

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- c. Superior Order** **7**
- 1) High Significance of Mel.** **7:1-3**
 - a) His High Position** **7:1a**

6:19 This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, a hope both sure and steadfast and one which enters within the veil, 20 where Jesus has entered as a forerunner for us, having become a high priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.

“This mysterious Melchizedek is mentioned in the OT only twice, yet our author sees him prefiguring the most important ministry of Christ to his people today.”

Ray Stedman

FOCAL POINT

- **Israel's Priesthood**
- **No forgiveness or fellowship**
- **Need superior priesthood**
- **Melchizedek -> Christ**

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7:3 Without father, without mother, without genealogy, having neither beginning of days nor end of life, but made like the Son of God, he remains a priest perpetually.

IDENTITY

- 1. Heavenly King**
- 2. Shem**
- 3. Theophany of HS**
- 4. Angel**
- 5. Pre-incarnate Christ**
- 6. Historical Gentile Priest-King**

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2. El Elyon - God Most High

PARALLELS

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2. Priest

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 - b) His Encounter with Abram** **7:1b-2a**

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Gen 14

1. Warfare -

14:1-12

Reunion of
Jacob & Esau
—Gen 33:11

Jacob builds an altar
upon return from
Mesopotamia—Gen 35:11

Jacob dreams
of a ladder
—Gen 28:11

Lod

Bethel

Abraham intends
to sacrifice Isaac
—Gen 22:2f

Burial of Rachel
—Gen 35:16, 48:7;
cf. 1Sam 10:2;
Jer 31:15

Timnah

Salem
(Mt. Moriah)

Enaim

Judah seduced
by Tamar
—Gen 38:14, 21

Bethlehem

Reunion of Jacob
& Isaac after more
than twenty years
—Gen 35:27

Permanent residence of
Jacob upon return from
Mesopotamia
—Gen 35:27; 37:14f

Eglon

Mamre/Hebron

Isaac deceives the
Abimelech about
Rebekah's identity
—Gen 26:6f

Patriarchal burial plot for
Abraham, Sarah, Isaac,
Rebekah, Jacob, Leah
—Gen 23:17; 25:9; 35:27;

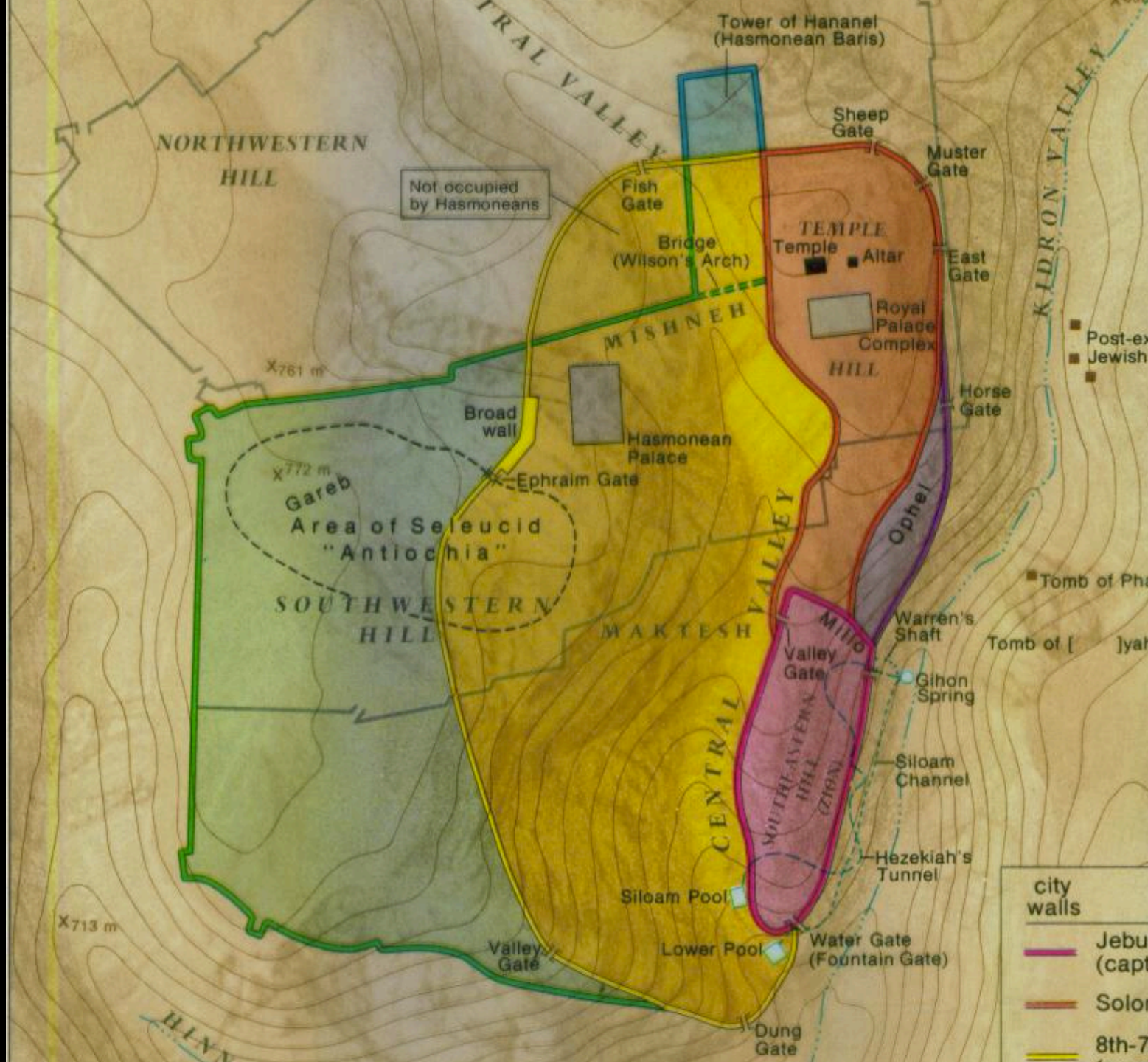
Dead
Sea

Kiriat

Arnon

Gen 14

- 1. Warfare - 14:1-12**
- 2. Rescue - 14:13-16**
- 3. Blessing - 14:17-24**
 - a. Sodom Encounter - 14:17**



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PARALLELS

- 1. King**
- 2. Priest**
- 3. Source of
blessing**
- 4. Worshiped**

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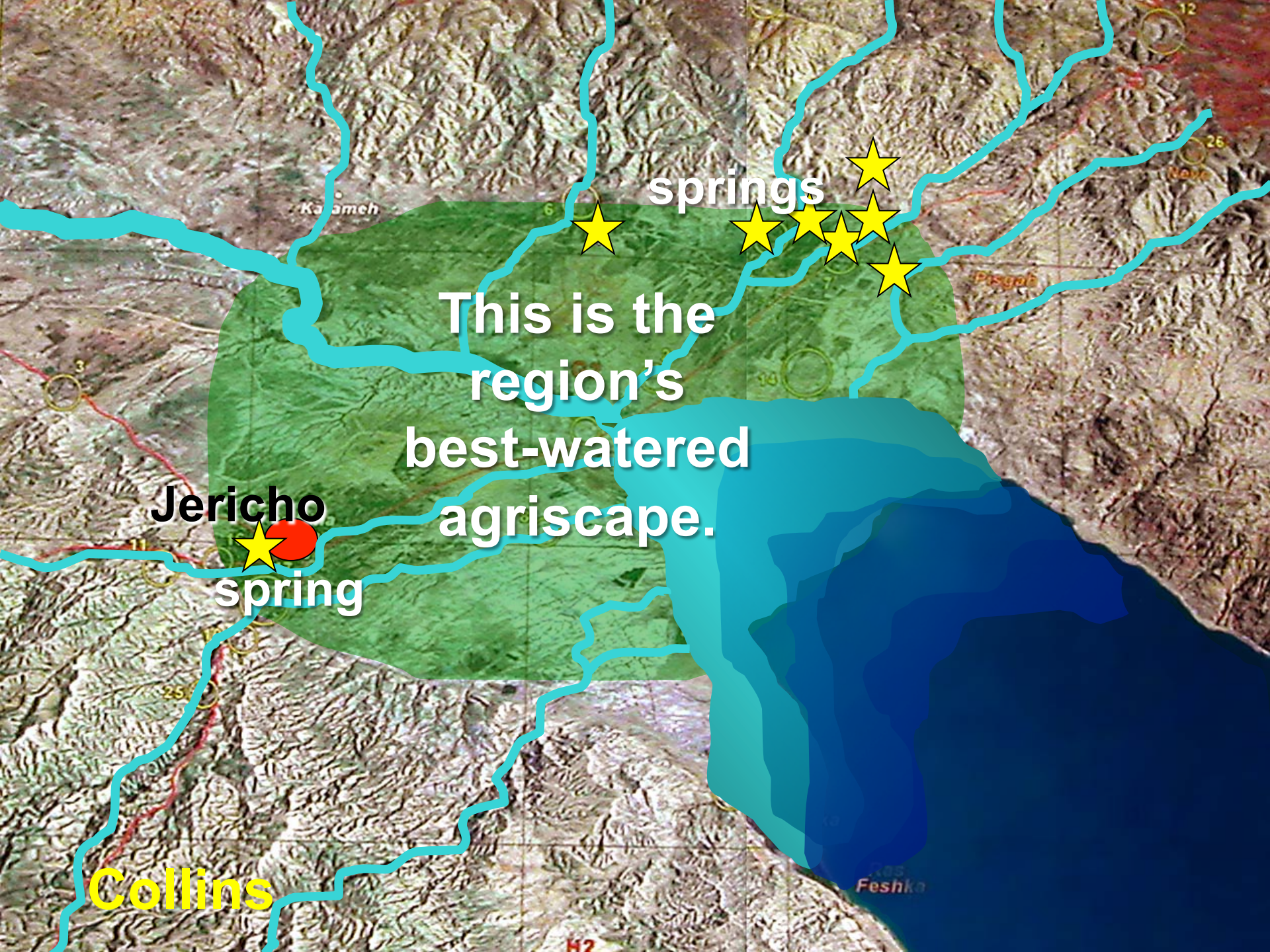
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 - b. Melchizedek - 14:18-20**
 - c. Sodom Bargain - 14:21-24**

“So Abram went up from Egypt to the Negev...and Lot went with him...From the Negev he went from place to place until he came to Bethel, to the place between Bethel and Ai...Lot looked up and saw that the whole plain of the Jordan was well watered, like the garden of Yahweh, like the land of Egypt, toward Zoar(n)...So Lot chose for himself the whole plain of the Jordan and set out toward the east...Abram lived in the land of Canaan, while Lot lived among the cities of the plain and pitched his tents near Sodom.”



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springs

This is the
region's
best-watered
agriscape.

Jericho
spring

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Feshka

Tall el-Hammam



EBA

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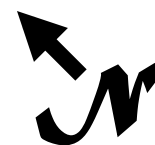
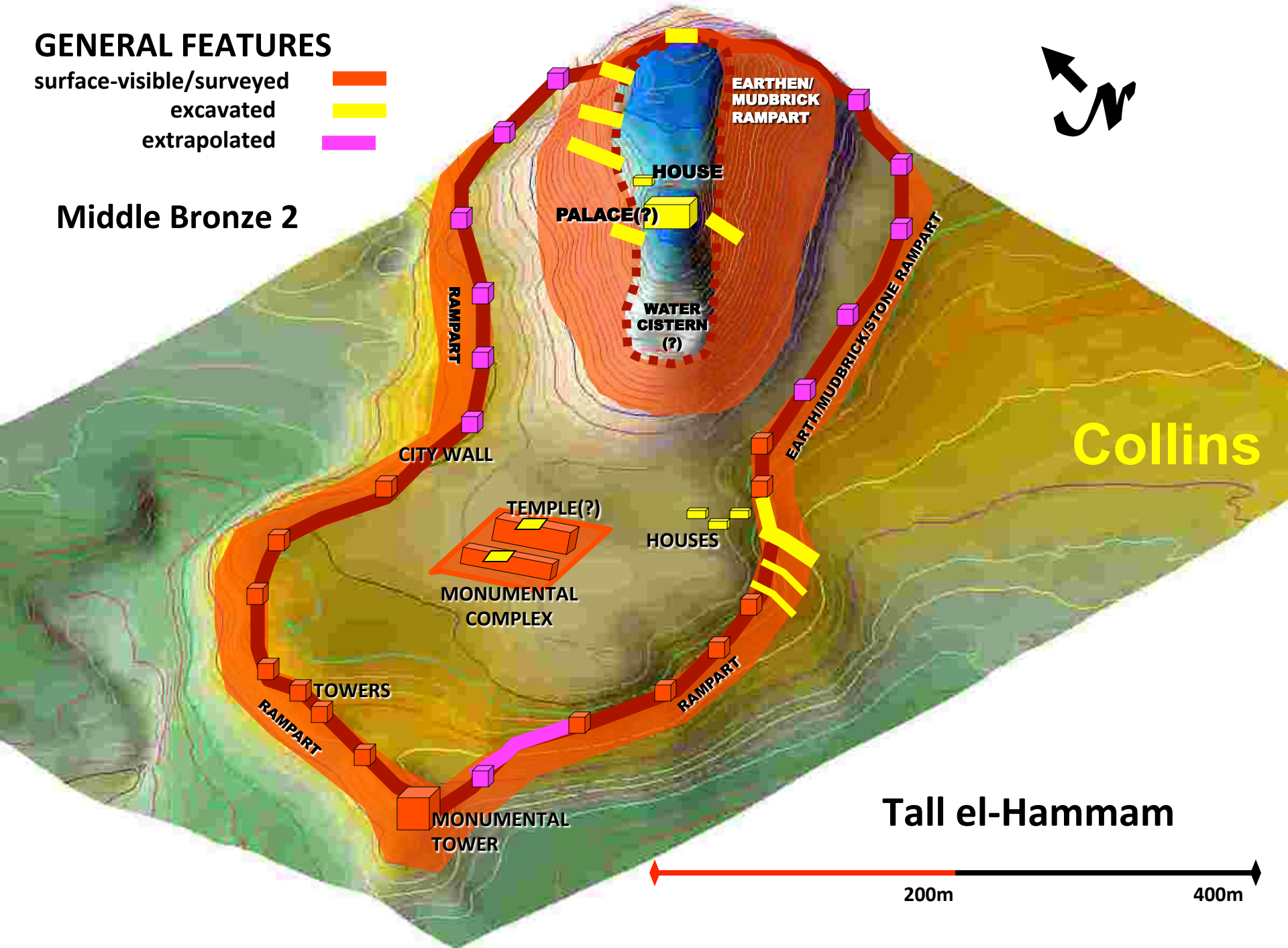
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GENERAL FEATURES

surface-visible/surveyed
excavated
extrapolated



Middle Bronze 2



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Tall el-Hammam

200m

400m

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 - c) His High Priority** **7:2b**

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- 3. Source of
blessing**
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- 5. Preeminent**