Minimum Geography From OT 1000

ON MAP #1 KNOW THESE PLACES:

NAME	WHY IT IS IMPORTANT
MESOPOTAMIA	The "land between the rivers". Abraham's home territory. The Assyrian and Babylonian Empires will come from this area.
CANAAN	The land God promised to Abraham, occupied by cursed people.
EUPHRATES RIVER	"The river". Flowed south from the mountains past Babylon and Ur.
EGYPT	Nation which plays a part throughout Israel's history.
GREAT SEA	The western border of Canaan. Mentioned often.
RED SEA	Israel crossed it on dry land when leaving Egypt.
UR	Abraham's hometown.
HARAN	Abraham moved here with his family before traveling alone to Canaan.
MT. ARARAT	Where Noah's ark landed.
MIDIAN	Abraham and Keturah's descendants. These were brilliant people. Moses fled from Pharaoh to this place and married a Midianite.

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FOR MAP #2:

NAME	WHY IT IS IMPORTANT
CANAAN	The land God promised to Abraham, occupied by cursed people.
MOAB & AMMON	Nations which play a part throughout Israel's history. These were Lot's descendants.
EDOM	Nation which plays a part throughout Israel's history. These were Esau's descendants.
PHILISTIA	Nation which plays a part throughout Israel's history. Grecian Invaders upon Canaan's land who possessed permanently a huge part of Judah's territory along the Great Sea.
BASHAN	Half of Manasseh chose this land rather than a lot in Canaan.
GILEAD	Gad and Reuben chose to live here rather than in Canaan. With Bashan, the territory Moses won in battle.
GREAT SEA	The western border of Canaan. Mentioned often.
SALT SEA	The eastern border of Canaan. Mentioned often.
JORDAN RIVER	The eastern border of northern Canaan.
JABBOK RIVER	A major river in Gilead. Cities of biblical importance lay along this river: Mahanaim, Penuel.
ARNON RIVER	The border between Reuben and Moab.
BEERSHEBA	Abraham built an altar and planted a grove here. Isaac and Jacob lived here. Mentioned often.
BETHEL	Abraham worshipped here. Jacob dreamed of a ladder reaching into heaven here. Most importantly: 1Kings 12
PENUEL	Jacob wrestled with an angel here, and his name was changed to Israel here.
DOTHAN	Joseph sold into slavery by his brothers here.
SHECHEM	Dinah molested here. A city of refuge in Joshua.
HEBRON	Abraham camped here. Nearby, at Mamre, are buried Abraham & Sarah, Isaac & Rebekah, and Jacob & Leah.
SHITTIM	Where Israel was camped when Moses died. Where Moses numbered Israel the 2 nd time, after the 40 years.
MT. PISGAH	Where Moses viewed Canaan's land and then died.