



Refiner's Fire

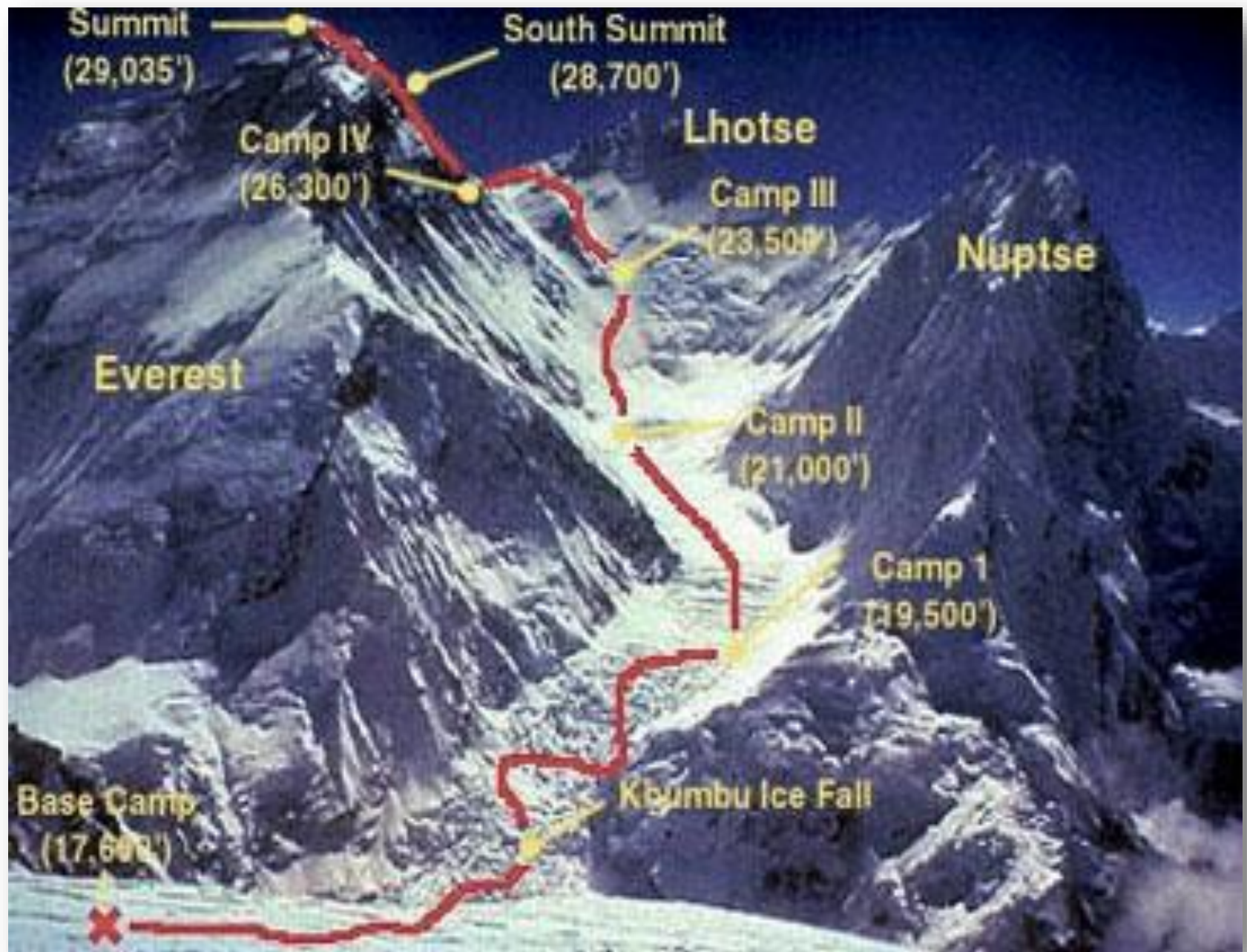
*James 1:1 NIV*

*James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus  
Christ,*

*To the twelve tribes scattered among the  
nations: Greetings.*

*James 1:2 NIV*

*Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters,  
whenever you face trials of many kinds,*





*James 1:3-4 NIV*

*Because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.*

*James 1:5 NIV*

*If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given you.*

*Proverbs 8:27-28 NIV*

*I was there when he set the heavens in place, when he marked out the horizon on the face of the deep...and when he marked out the foundations of the earth.*

## *James 1:6-8 NIV*

*But when you ask, you must believe and not doubt, because the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind. That person should not expect to receive anything from the Lord. Such a person is double-minded and unstable in all they do.*



*Luke 11:13 NIV*

*"If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"*



*We reached the south summit of Everest, which is 28,700 feet, and then we looked along the summit ridge, which is quite an impressive narrow ridge.... But half way along the ridge there's a rock step. It's about 40 feet high, and I cut steps along the side of the ridge until we reached the bottom of the rock step. And looking up at the rock step at 29,000 feet, it really did look extremely difficult to overcome.*



*That was really the first moment during the whole of the expedition that I was confident that we were going to get to the top. But overcoming that rock step, which we knew existed -- we had seen it from far below -- made me feel the confidence that we were going to succeed. And sure enough, on we went, and we ultimately reached the top. Funnily enough, that step is now called the Hillary Step. Any climber who climbs Everest from that south side, at some stage has to go up the Hillary Step.*

