## JOSHUA 15 vs 1

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The book of Joshua, written around 1453bc, describes the conquest of Israel over the land promised to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob; now entering the land occupied by 7 different pagan cultures. Leading the people, was Joshua, whose name means: The Lord is salvation.

The Land of Judah.

<sup>1</sup> Now the inheritance portion of the tribe of the descendants of Judah by their families: was in the south region to the Wilderness of Zin, and to the border of Edom.



- <sup>2</sup> Their southern border began at the Dead Sea, on the south bay.
- <sup>3</sup>Then it went south side of the Ascent of Akrabbim, to Zin, ascended to the south of Kadesh-Barnea, passed Hezron, and ascended to Adar, and turned at Karkaa.
- <sup>4</sup> There it went to Azmon and to the Brook of Egypt; and ended at the Mediterranean Sea. This is your southern border.
- <sup>5</sup> The east border was along the Dead Sea to the mouth of the Jordan. The border on the north side was at the bay of the sea at the mouth of the Jordan.
- <sup>6</sup> The border ascended to Beth Hoglah and went north of Beth-Arabah; and ascended to the stone of Bohan the son of Reuben.
- <sup>7</sup> Then the border ascended to Debir from the Valley of Achor, and turned north to Gilgal, which is opposite the Ascent of Adummim, which is south of the ravine. Then the border went to the waters of En-Shemesh and ended at En-Rogel.
- <sup>8</sup> From there the border went up the Ben Hinnom Valley to the southern Jebusite slope (that is Jerusalem). The border ascended to the top of the hill that faces Hinnom Valley to the west, at the north end of Rephaim Valley.
- <sup>9</sup> From the top of the hill the border curved to the water of Nephtoah, went to the cities of Mount Ephron, then curved to Baalah (that is Kirjath- Jearim).
- <sup>10</sup> The border turned west from Baalah to Mount Seir, to the north side of Mount Jearim (that is Chesalon), descended to Beth-Shemesh, and passed on to Timnah.

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<sup>11</sup>Then the border went to the north slope of Ekron; curved to Shicron, on to Mount Baalah, then to Jabneel; and ended at the Mediterranean Sea.

<sup>12</sup> The west border was the coastline of the Great Sea. This is the boundary of the lineages of Judah according to their families.

Caleb Occupies Hebron and Debir,

<sup>13</sup> To Caleb the son of Jephunneh he gave the portion among the lineages of Judah, based on the instruction of the Lord to Joshua: Kirjath-Arba, that is Hebron; Arba was the father of Anak.

<sup>14</sup> Caleb drove out the three sons of Anak from there: Sheshai, Ahiman, and Talmai, the families of Anak.

<sup>15</sup> From there he went against those of Debir that was called: Kirjath Sepher.

<sup>16</sup> And Caleb said, Whoever attacks and takes Kirjath Sepher, to him I will give Achsah my daughter as wife.

<sup>17</sup> So Othniel the son of Kenaz, the brother of Caleb, took it; and he gave him Achsah his daughter as wife.

<sup>18</sup> Now when she arrived, she persuaded him to ask her father for a field. As she got off her ass, Caleb said to her, What is your wish?

<sup>19</sup> She replied, Give me a blessing; since you gave me land in the Negev south, give me springs also. So he gave her the upper and lower springs.

The Cities of Judah

<sup>20</sup> This was the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Judah according to their families:

<sup>21</sup> The cities at the limits of the tribe of the lineages of Judah, toward the border of Edom in the South, were Kabzeel, Eder, Jagur, <sup>22</sup> Kinah, Dimonah, Adadah, <sup>23</sup> Kedesh, Hazor, Ithnan, <sup>24</sup> Ziph, Telem, Bealoth, <sup>25</sup> Hazor, Hadattah, Kerioth, Hezron (which is Hazor),

<sup>26</sup> Amam, Shema, Moladah, <sup>27</sup> Hazar Gaddah, Heshmon, Beth Pelet, <sup>28</sup> Hazar Shual, Beersheba, Bizjothjah, <sup>29</sup> Baalah, Ijim, Ezem, <sup>30</sup> Eltolad, Chesil, Hormah, <sup>31</sup> Ziklag, Madmannah, Sansannah, <sup>32</sup> Lebaoth, Shilhim, Ain, and Rimmon: all the cities are twentynine, with their villages.

<sup>33</sup> In the lowland: Eshtaol, Zorah, Ashnah, <sup>34</sup> Zanoah, En Gannim, Tappuah, Enam, <sup>35</sup> Jarmuth, Adullam, Socoh, Azekah, <sup>36</sup> Sharaim, Adithaim, Gederah, and

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Gederothaim: fourteen cities with their villages; <sup>37</sup> Zenan, Hadashah, Migdal Gad, <sup>38</sup> Dilean, Mizpah, Joktheel, <sup>39</sup> Lachish, Bozkath, Eglon, <sup>40</sup> Cabbon, Lahmas, Kithlish,

- <sup>41</sup> Gederoth, Beth Dagon, Naamah, and Makkedah: sixteen cities with their villages;
- <sup>42</sup>Libnah, Ether, Ashan, <sup>43</sup>Jiphtah, Ashnah, Nezib, <sup>44</sup>Keilah, Achzib, and Mareshah: nine cities with their villages;
- <sup>45</sup> Ekron, with its towns and villages; <sup>46</sup> from Ekron to the sea, all that lay near Ashdod, with their villages; <sup>47</sup> Ashdod with its towns and villages, Gaza with its towns and villages—as far as the Brook of Egypt and the Great Sea with its coastline.
- <sup>48</sup> And in the mountain country: Shamir, Jattir, Sochoh, <sup>49</sup> Dannah, Kirjath Sannah (that is Debir), <sup>50</sup> Anab, Eshtemoh, Anim, <sup>51</sup> Goshen, Holon, and Giloh: eleven cities with their villages;
- <sup>52</sup> Arab, Dumah, Eshean, <sup>53</sup> Janum, Beth Tappuah, Aphekah, <sup>54</sup> Humtah, Kirjath Arba (that is Hebron), and Zior: nine cities with their villages;
- <sup>55</sup> Maon, Carmel, Ziph, Juttah, <sup>56</sup> Jezreel, Jokdeam, Zanoah, <sup>57</sup> Kain, Gibeah, and Timnah: ten cities with their villages;
- <sup>58</sup> Halhul, Beth Zur, Gedor, <sup>59</sup> Maarath, Beth Anoth, and Eltekon: six cities with their villages;
- <sup>60</sup> Kirjath Baal (which is Kirjath Jearim) and Rabbah: two cities with their villages.
- $^{61}$  In the wilderness: Beth Arabah, Middin, Secacah,  $^{62}$  Nibshan, the City of Salt, and En Gedi: six cities with their villages.
- <sup>63</sup> As for the Jebusites, the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the lineages of Judah could not drive them out; but the Jebusites dwell with the lineages of Judah at Jerusalem to this day.

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