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[For additional information in regard to certain of the Places, see, Geography Lessons.]

Aa'-ron. The brother of Moses, and his senior by three years (see Ex. 7 : 7).

A'-bra-ham. The son of Terah, and the first ancestor of the Hebrews.

Am'-o-rites. One of the tribes which inhabited Canaan before its conquest by the Hebrews (see Gen. 15 : 21). This tribe became so powerful, that its name was used for the inhabitants of Canaan generally.

As'-e-nath. Daughter of Poti-pherah, priest of On, wife of Joseph and mother of Manasseh and Ephraim.

Ash'-er. Son of Jacob and Zilpah.

Beer-she'-ba. A town in the extreme south of Judah.

Ben'-ja-min. Younger son of Jacob and Rachel; Joseph's full brother.

Beth'-el. On the site of the modern Beitin, twelve miles north of Jerusalem.

Be-thu'-el. The father of Laban and Rebekah, and the nephew of Abraham.

Ca'-na-an. The name given to all the lands west of the Jordan.

Ca'-na-an-ites. Inhabitants of Canaan.

Dan. Son of Jacob and Bilhah.

Do'-than. A town not far from Shechem and near the caravan route to Egypt.

E'-gypt. That part of Africa watered by the Nile, from the Mediterranean Sea to the first cataract.

E-gyp'-tians. The people of Egypt.

E'-sau. Son of Isaac and Rebekah, and brother of Jacob.

Gad. Son of Jacob and Zilpah.

Gad'-tites. All nations of the world other than the Jews.

Gil'-e-ad. A mountainous country east of the Jordan.

Go'-shen. A district of Egypt, adapted for flocks and herds, situated in the Delta.

Har'-an. A busy commercial city of Mesopotamia, 240 miles northwest of Nineveh and 280 miles northeast of Damascus.

He'-brews. A name, which may have belonged at first to all the descendants of Eber (Gen. 10 : 25), but was afterwards restricted to the Israelites.

He'-bron. A town twenty miles south-west of Jerusalem.

Hit'-tites. Descendants of Heth, a son of Canaan, who occupied the region extending from Northern Palestine to the Euphrates.

Hi'-vites. One of the races of Canaan before the conquest of the country by the Israelites.

Hor'-eb. A mountain in Southern Arabia, also called Sinai.

I'-saac. The son of Abraham and Sarah. The name signifies, "He laugheth", or, "The laughing one".

Ish'-mee-lites. Descendants of Ishmael,

Abraham's eldest son. They dwelt in settlements and movable camps in Northern Arabia.

Is'-ra-el. The name given to Jacob on his return from Laban's home, and afterwards to his posterity.

Is'-sa-char. Son of Jacob and Leah.

Jab'-bok. A stream traversing Gilead and emptying into the Jordan. It was here that Jacob wrestled with the angel.

Ja'-cob. "Supplanter", son of Isaac and Rebekah, brother of Esau, and father of the twelve patriarchs.

Jeb'-u-sites. A mountain tribe dwelling at Jebus, that is, Jerusalem.

Jeth'-ro. A title of Moses' father-in-law.

Jews. At first, a name given to those belonging to the tribe or kingdom of Judah, then to all of the Hebrew race who returned from the captivity in Babylon, and finally to all of that race throughout the world.

Jor'-dan. A swift, tortuous river, rising in the snows of Hermon, and flowing through Lakes Merom and Galilee into the Dead Sea.

Jo'-seph. Elder son of Jacob and Rachel.

Ju'-dah. Son of Jacob and Leah.

La'-ban. Rebekah's brother, to whose home in Haran Jacob fled to escape the wrath of Esau.

Le'-vi. Son of Jacob and Leah.

Luz. A Canaanite town, afterward called Bethel.

Mid'-i-a-n. A son of Abraham and Keturah, and ancestor of the Midianites, a roaming tribe of Northern Arabia.

Mid'-i-a-nites. Descendants of Midian.

Mo'-ses. The great Hebrew leader.

Naph'-ta-li. Son of Jacob and Bilhah.

On. An old and famous city of Lower Egypt, on the east of the Nile, in the Delta.

Pa'-dan-ar'-am. A name of the region in which Haran was situated.

Pen'-i-el. Also called Penuel,—that is, "face of God", a ridge near the Jabbok.

Pe-riz'-zites. A people of Central Palestine.

Phar'-aoh. A title used as the general designation of the sovereigns of Egypt.

Pi'-thom. One of the two store cities built by the Israelites in bondage. The other was Ra-am'-ses.

Po-ti'-pher-ah. A priest of On, the father-in-law of Joseph.

Re-bek'-ah. The daughter of Bethuel, and wife of Isaac.

Reu'-ben. Eldest son of Jacob.

Sim'-e-on. Son of Jacob and Leah.

She'-chem. A city of refuge in the centre of Palestine.

Syr'-i-an. Where this name occurs in the Old Testament it denotes a native of Aram, properly called an Aramean.

Zaph'-nath-pa-a-ne'-ah. The name given by Pharaoh to Joseph.

Ze-bu'-lun. Son of Jacob and Leah.