

# BIBLE DICTIONARY FOR FOURTH QUARTER, 1907.

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

**Ad'-am.** The city on the Jordan where the waters were held back while Israel crossed over.

**A-mal'-ek-ites.** A desert tribe descended from Esau.

**Am'-o-rites.** A Canaanitish tribe inhabiting the highlands on both sides of the Jordan.

**An'-a-kims.** A stalwart race settled about Hebron.

**Be'-zer.** The southernmost City of Refuge east of the Jordan.

**Ca'-leb.** One of the twelve spies sent into Canaan, who afterwards received from Joshua the uplands of Hebron as a possession.

**Ca'-na-an-ites.** The lowlanders of Canaan inhabiting the coast lands and the Jordan valley. The name was also given to the inhabitants of Canaan generally.

**Eb'-er-e'-zer.** "Stone of help". A memorial stone set up by Samuel at the place where the Lord discomfited the Philistines, 1 Sam. 7: 10, 12.

**E'-li.** The high priest during the early days of Samuel. He lived at Shiloh.

**E'-phra-im.** One of the twelve tribes of Israel. Their territory was in central Palestine.

**Esh'-ta-ol.** A town 13 miles to the west of Jerusalem.

**Eu'-phra'-tes.** A large river of Western Asia, flowing into the Persian Gulf.

**Gid'-e-on.** One of the most famous of Israel's judges. He inflicted a great defeat on the Midianites, and governed Israel for forty years.

**Gil'-gal.** Near Jericho, the first camping place of the Israelites after crossing the Jordan, and their headquarters during the conquest of Canaan.

**Gir'-ga-shites.** A tribe of Canaan; their dwelling place is unknown.

**Go'-lan.** The northernmost City of Refuge east of the Jordan.

**He'-bron.** The southernmost City of Refuge west of the Jordan. See also on Caleb.

**Hit'-tites.** A powerful tribe in the north of Canaan.

**Hi'-vites.** One of the tribes dwelling in Canaan before the conquest of the country by the Hebrews.

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

**Je-phun'-neh.** The father of Caleb.

**Jer'-i-cho.** An important city in a plain six miles west of the Jordan.

**Jor'-dan.** The famous river of Palestine. It flows from Mount Hermon to the Dead Sea.

**Josh'-u-a.** Successor to Moses, and the leader of Israel in the conquest of Canaan.

**Ju'-dah.** A tribe of Israel settled in southern Palestine. From this tribe Christ sprang.

**Ka'-desh-bar'-ne-a.** A place 50 miles south of Beersheba.

**Ke'-desh.** A City of Refuge situated in Naphtali.

**Kir'-jath-ar'-ba.** "City of Arba", the old name for Hebron, so called from its founder, Arba, a famous giant.

**Kir'-jath-je'-a-rim.** The "Forest City". Situated in the hill country on the western border of Benjamin.

**Leb'-a-non.** Meaning "white"—a range of snow-covered mountains to the north of Palestine.

**Ma'-nas'-seh.** The tribe of Israel descended from Joseph's elder son.

**Mid'-i-a-nites.** A wandering tribe of the Arabian desert.

**Miz'-peh.** "Watchtower". A small town on an elevation, some 3,000 feet above sea level, 4 miles northwest of Jerusalem.

**Mo'-ab.** The district east of the Dead Sea inhabited by the Moabites, who were descended from Lot.

**Mo'-ses.** Son of Amram and Jochebed. The deliverer of Israel from Egypt; and their lawgiver and leader through the wilderness. He died on Mt. Nebo, not being permitted to enter the Promised Land.

**Na'-o-mi.** A woman of Bethlehem, who migrated from that place, with her husband and two sons, and afterwards returned with Ruth, her daughter-in-law.

**Naph'-ta-li.** One of the twelve tribes of Israel. Their territory was in the far north of Canaan.

**Pe'-riz'-zites.** A Canaanitish tribe.

**Phil'-is-tines.** A nation, noted for their progress in agriculture and commerce, and for their warlike spirit, inhabiting a strip of country on the southwestern coast of Canaan.

**Ra'-hab.** A woman of Jericho who showed kindness to the spies sent by Joshua.

**Ra'-moth.** The central City of Refuge east of the Jordan.

**Reu'-ben.** One of the twelve tribes; whose territory was east of the Jordan.

**Ruth.** See Naomi.

**Sam'-son.** A judge and deliverer of Israel from the Philistines, and famed for his great strength.

**Sam'-u-el.** The son of Elkanah and Hannah. The name means "asked of God". He was the last of the judges and first of the prophets.

**She'-chem.** An ancient and important city of Palestine, beautifully situated in a sheltered and fertile valley. It was a City of Refuge.

**Shi'-loh.** The place where the Israelites under Joshua set up the tabernacle. It long remained the religious centre of Israel.

**Zar'-e-tan.** A hill near the ford Damiech (see Adam).

**Zor'-ah.** The town about 2 miles southwest of Eshtaol (which see), where Samson was born, and where he was buried.