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[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'-en-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.

Ke'-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-na's'-seh. The tribe of Israel descended from Joseph's elder son.

Mid'-i-an-ites. A wandering tribe of the Arabian desert.

Miz'-pah. "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 Damieh (see Adam).

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