

## JOSHUA CHAPTER 15

<sup>1</sup> And the borders of the tribe of Judah according to their families were from the borders of Edom from the Wilderness of Zin, as far as Kadesh to the south. <sup>2</sup> And their borders were from the south as far as a part of the Salt Sea from the high country that extends southward. <sup>3</sup> And they proceed before the Ascent of Akrabbim, and go out around Zin, and go up from the south to Kadesh Barnea; and go out to Hezron, and proceed up to Adar, and go out by the way that is west of Karkaa. <sup>4</sup> And *from there* they go out to Azmon, and issue at the valley of Egypt; and the termination of its boundaries shall be at the sea. These are their boundaries southward. <sup>5</sup> And their boundaries eastward *are* all the Salt Sea as far as the Jordan; and their borders from the north, and from the border of the sea, and from part of the Jordan— <sup>6</sup> the borders go up to Beth Hoglah, and they go along from the north to Beth Arabah, and the borders go on up to the stone of Bohan the son of Reuben. <sup>7</sup> And the borders continue on to the fourth part of the Valley of Achor, and go down to Gilgal, which is before the Ascent of Adummim, which is southward in the valley, and terminate at the water of the Fountain of the Sun. And their going forth shall be the Fountain of Rogel. <sup>8</sup> And the borders go up to the Valley of Hinnom, behind Jebus southward; this is Jerusalem: and the borders terminate at the top of the mountain, which is before the Valley of Hinnom toward the sea, which is by the side of the land of Rephaim northward. <sup>9</sup> And the border *going forth* from the top of the mountain terminates at the fountain of the water of Nephtoah, and terminates at Mount Ephron; and the border will lead to Baalah; this is the city of Jearim. <sup>10</sup> And the border will go round from Baalah to the sea, and will go on to the mount of Assar behind the city of Jearim northwards; this is Chesalon: and it will come down to the City of Sun, and will go on to the south. <sup>11</sup> And the border terminates behind Ekron northward, and the borders will terminate at Succoth, and the borders will go on to the south, and will terminate at Libnah, and the issue of the borders will be at the sea; and their borders *shall be* toward the sea, the Great Sea shall be the boundary. <sup>12</sup> These *are* the borders of the children of Judah round about according to their families.

<sup>13</sup> And to Caleb the son of Jephunneh he gave a portion in the midst of the children of Judah by the command of God; and Joshua gave him the city of Arba the metropolis of Anak; this is Hebron. <sup>14</sup> And Caleb the son of Jephunneh destroyed from there the three sons of Anak: Sheshai, Talmi, and Ahiman. <sup>15</sup> And Caleb went up from there to the inhabitants of Debir; and the name of Debir before was the City of Letters.

<sup>16</sup> And Caleb said, "Whosoever shall take and destroy the City of Letters, and master it, to him will I give my daughter Achsah for a wife." <sup>17</sup> And Othniel the son of Kenaz the brother of Caleb took it; and he gave him Achsah his daughter for a wife. <sup>18</sup> And it came to pass as she went out that she counseled him, saying, "I will ask of my father a field." And she cried from off her donkey. And Caleb said to her, "What is it?" <sup>19</sup> And she said to him, "Give me a blessing, for you have set me in the land of the Negev. Give me Botthanis." So he gave her Gonaethla the upper, and Gonaethla the lower.

<sup>20</sup> This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Judah. <sup>21</sup> And their cities were cities belonging to the tribe of the children of Judah on the borders of Edom by the wilderness, and Kabzeel, Eder, Jagur, <sup>22</sup> Kinah, Dimonah, Adadah, <sup>23</sup> Kadesh, Hazor, Ithnan, <sup>24</sup> and Balmaenan, and their villages, <sup>25</sup> and the cities of Hezron, which *is* Hazor, <sup>26</sup> Amam, Shema, Moladah, <sup>27</sup> Seri, Beth Pelet, <sup>28</sup> Hazar Shual, Beersheba; and their villages, and their hamlets, <sup>29</sup> Balah Bacoc, Asom, <sup>30</sup> Eltolad, Bethel, Hormah, <sup>31</sup> Ziklag, Madmannah, Sansannah, <sup>32</sup> Lebaoth, Shilhim, Ain; twenty-nine cities, and their villages.

<sup>33</sup> In the plain country: Eshtaol, Zorah, Ashtah, <sup>34</sup> Zanoah, Tano, Iluthoth, Maeani, <sup>35</sup> Jarmuth, Adullam, Membra, Socoh, Azekah, <sup>36</sup> Sharaim, Gederah, and its villages; fourteen cities, and their villages; <sup>37</sup> Zenan, Hadashah, Migdal, <sup>38</sup> Dilean, Mizpah, Joktheel, <sup>39</sup> Bozkath, Eglon, <sup>40</sup> Cabbon, Lahmas, Machos, <sup>41</sup> Gederoth, Beth Dagon, Naamah, Makkedah: sixteen cities, and their villages; <sup>42</sup> Libnah, Ether, Ashan, <sup>43</sup> Jiphtah, Nezib, <sup>44</sup> Keilah, Akiezi, Achzib, Mereshah, and Elom: ten cities, and their villages; <sup>45</sup> Ekron and her villages, and their hamlets: <sup>46</sup> from Ekron: Gemna, and all the cities that are near Ashdod, and their villages. <sup>47</sup> Ashdod, and her villages, and her hamlets: Gaza, and its villages and its hamlets as far as the river of Egypt, and the Great Sea is the boundary.

<sup>48</sup> And in the hill country: Shamir, Jattir, Sochah, <sup>49</sup> Danna and the City of Letters, this *is* Debir; <sup>50</sup> Anab, Eshtemoth, Anim, <sup>51</sup> Goshen, Holon, and Hanna, and Giloh: eleven cities, and their villages; <sup>52</sup> Arab, Dumah, Eshean, <sup>53</sup> Janum, Beth Tappuah, Aphekah, <sup>54</sup> Humtah, the city Arba, this is Hebron, and Zior: nine cities and their villages; <sup>55</sup> Maon, Carmel, Ziph, Juttah, <sup>56</sup> Jezreel, Jokdeam, Zanoah, <sup>57</sup> Gibeah, Timnah; nine cities, and their villages; <sup>58</sup> Halhul, Beth Zur, Gedor, <sup>59</sup> Maarath, Beth Anoth, Eltekon; six cities, and their villages; Theco, and Ephratha, this is Bethlehem, and Pagor, Etan, Culon, Tatam, Thobes, Carem, Galem, Thether, and Manocho: eleven cities, and their villages; <sup>60</sup> Kirjath Baal, this *is* the city of Jearim, and Sotheba: two cities, and their villages:

<sup>61</sup> in the wilderness: Beth Arabah, Middin, Secacah; <sup>62</sup> Aeochioza, Naphlazon, the cities of Sadon, and En Gedi; seven cities, and their villages. <sup>63</sup> And the Jebusite dwelt in Jerusalem, and the children of Judah could not destroy them; and the Jebusites dwelt in Jerusalem to this day.