

Hamath



Thus saith the Lord GOD; This shall be the border, whereby ye shall inherit the land according to the twelve tribes of Israel: Joseph shall have two portions. And ye shall inherit it, one as well as another: concerning the which I lifted up mine hand to give it unto your fathers: and this land shall fall unto you for inheritance. And this shall be the border of the land toward the north side, from the great sea, **the way of Hethlon, as men go to Zedad; Hamath**, Berothah, Sibraim, which is between the border of Damascus and the border of Hamath; Hazarhatticon, which is by the coast of Hauran. And the border from the sea shall be Hazarenan, the border of **Damascus**, and the north northward, and the border of **Hamath**. And this is the north side. Ezk 47:13-17

Now these are the names of the tribes. From the north end to the coast of **the way of Hethlon**, **as one goeth to Hamath**, Hazarenan, the border of **Damascus** northward, to the coast of Hamath; for these are his sides east and west; a portion for Dan. And by the border of Dan, from the east side unto the west side, a portion for Asher. And by the border of Asher, from the east side even unto the west side, a portion for Naphtali. Ezk 48:1



Greater than Solomon and David

1 Chr 13:5 "David gathered all Israel together, from Shihor of Egypt even unto the entering of **Hamath**, to bring the **ark of God** from Kirjathjearim" with 1 Chr 18:3 "David smote Hadarezer king of Zobah unto **Hamath**, as he went to stablish his dominion by the river **Euphrates**."

1 Ki 8:65; 2 Chr 7: 8 And at that time Solomon held a feast, and all Israel with him, a great congregation, from the entering in of Hamath unto the river of Egypt

Thus, in the Millennial reign of Christ, the pattern of David and Solomon is repeated

12 Spies

Num 13:21 So they (12 spies) went up, and searched the land from the wilderness of Zin unto Rehob, as men come to Hamath.

Moses describes Hamath and Zedad as northern boundary

Num 13:1 And יהוה yhwah spake unto Moses v8 And this shall be your north border: from the great sea ye shall point out for you mount Hor: From mount Hor ye shall point out your border unto the entrance of **Hamath**; and the goings forth of the border shall be to **Zedad**:

Hamath Prophecies in Armageddon

The burden of the word of the LORD in the land of Hadrach, and **Damascus** shall be the rest thereof: when the eyes of man, as of all the tribes of Israel, shall be toward the LORD. And **Hamath also shall border thereby**; Tyrus, and Zidon, though it be very wise. Zech 9

Amos 1:3 Thus saith יהוה yhwah; For three transgressions of **Damascus**, and for four, I will not turn away the punishment thereof; because they have threshed Gilead with threshing instruments of iron: But I will send a fire into the house of Hazael, which shall devour the palaces of Benhadad. I will break also the bar of Damascus, and cut off the inhabitant from the plain of Aven, and him that holdeth the sceptre from the house of Eden: and the people of **Syria** shall go into captivity unto Kir, saith יהוה yhwah

Syria, 10 Kings go against Jerusalem

#10 Aram h0758. אֲרָם 'ārām "...of the daughters of **Syria**, and all the ones round about you, even the daughters of the Philistines, of the ones compassing you round about?" (Eze 16:57, ABP)

Hamath and Damascus in Jer 49

Concerning **Damascus**. **Hamath** is confounded, and Arpad: for they have heard evil tidings: they are fainthearted; there is sorrow on the sea; it cannot be quiet. Damascus is waxed feeble, and turneth herself to flee, and fear hath seized on her: anguish and sorrows have taken her, anguish and sorrows have taken her, as a woman in travail. How is the city of praise not left, the city of my joy! Therefore, her young men shall fall in her streets, and all the men of war shall be cut off in that day, saith the LORD of hosts. And I will kindle a fire in the wall of Damascus, and it shall consume the palaces of Benhadad.

Entrance of Hamath/Lebo-Hamath

Hamath was the district directly north of the Biblical borders of the Promised Land. Its capital city was also called Hamath and stood on the east bank of the Orontes River in Syria between Damascus and Aleppo. Today this city is called Hama. The name Hamath means "Fortress". The term "entrance of Hamath" is from the Hebrew, "Lebo-Hamath", meaning "the way which leads to Hamath". From the direction of The Promised Land, the way to Hamath was through the Beka'a Valley, which lies between the Lebanon mountains and the Anti-Lebanon mountains. Lebo-Hamath stood near the border when entering the district of Hamath from the Promised Land. It is now identified with a town called Lebweh/Lebwe in the northern Beka'a Valley in Lebanon.

