

~ABARIM (74)

(Ab'a-rim) [Fords or Crossings, Borderland, or Regions Beyond]

- This name doubtless applies to a region East of the Jordan River and, more particularly, East of the Dead Sea.
- Go up onto Lebanon and cry out, and on Bashan let your voice out. And cry out from **Abarim**, because all those intensely loving you have been broken. (**Jeremiah 22:20**)
- It is mentioned along with regions of Lebanon and Bashan.
- In the other instances where it appears in the Bible record, it is connected with a range or system of mountains. The term **Abarim**, as referring to the **regions beyond**, may indicate that the one's originating the term were located on the western side of the Jordan. It is possible that this term was originally used by Abraham and was still retained by the Israelites on leaving Egypt.
- It was near the end of the 40-year trek through the wilderness that the Israelites reached this territory and encamped in the mountains of **Abarim**.
- Then they pulled away from Almon-diblathaim and went camping in the mountains of **Abarim** before Nebo. (**Numbers 33:47**)
- Finally they pulled away from the mountains of **Abarim** and took up camping on the desert plains of Moab by the Jordan at Jericho. (**Numbers 33:48**)
- Thereafter they descended to the Plains of Moab, which lie East of the Jordan at the North end of the Dead Sea. Here they made their final encampment before crossing the Jordan River. Here, too, Yehowah said to Moses; **Go up into this mountain of Abarim, Mount Nebo, which is in the land of Moab, which fronts toward Jericho, and see the land of Canaan, which I am giving to the sons of Israel as a possession.**
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- Subsequently Yehowah said to Moses; Go up into this mountain of **Abarim** and see the land that I shall certainly give the sons of Israel. (**Numbers 27:12**)
- It would appear from this that the region of **Abarim**, together with its range of mountains, was in the Northwest part of the territory of Moab. However, it may possibly have extended the full length of the chain of mountain bluffs that rise along the entire East side of the Dead Sea from North to South.
- Then they pulled away from Oboth and encamped in **Iye-abarim**, in the wilderness that is toward the front of Moab, toward the rising of the sun. (**Numbers 21:11**)
- Then they pulled away from Oboth and went camping in **Iye-abarim** on the border of Moab. (**Numbers 33:44**)
- Reference is made to a stopping point on the route of the Israelites called **Iye-abarim**, and the context places this to the South of Moab and at the South end of the Dead Sea. It may have marked the southernmost point of the region called **Abarim**.

See Also IYE-ABARIM

- Mount Nebo was evidently one of the higher mountains of **Abarim**, if not the highest.

See Also NEBO 3