~AMMON (76) (Am'mon) [The People]

- Lot's son by his younger daughter, the progenitor of the Ammonites.
- As for the younger, she too gave birth to a son and then called his name Benammi. He is the father of the sons of Ammon, to this day. (Genesis 19:38)
- As in the case of the older daughter, so also Lot's younger daughter had relations with her father while they were residing in a cave in a mountainous region after Lot's daughters had given him much wine to drink.
- Later Lot went up from Zoar and began dwelling in the mountainous region, and his two daughters along with him, because he got afraid of dwelling in Zoar. So he began dwelling in a cave, he and his two daughters. (Genesis 19:30)
- And the firstborn proceeded to say to the younger woman; Our father is old and there is not a man in the land to have relations with us according to the way of the whole earth. (Genesis 19:31)
- Come, let us give our father wine to drink and let us lie down with him and preserve offspring from our father. (Genesis 19:32)
- So they kept giving their father wine to drink during that night, then the firstborn went in and lay down with her father, but he did not know when she lay down and when she got up. (Genesis 19:33)
- And it came about on the next day that the firstborn then said to the younger; Here I lay down with my father last night. Let us give him wine to drink tonight also. Then you go in, lie down with him, and let us preserve offspring from our father. (Genesis 19:34)
- So they repeatedly gave their father wine to drink during that night also, then the younger got up and lay down with him, but he did not know when she lay down and when she got up. (Genesis 19:35)

- And both the daughters of Lot became pregnant from their father. (Genesis 19:36)
- The name given to Ammon by his mother was Ben-ammi, meaning, Son of My People, that is, relatives, and not of foreigners like the Sodomites. The name thus evidently was associated with the concern voiced by the older daughter that the two daughters could not find anyone of their own people or family line to marry in the land they were inhabiting.
- Ammon is also used at;
- Gebal and Ammon and Amalek, Philistia together with the inhabitants of Tyre. (Psalms 83:7)
- To refer to the nation of his descendants. The expression sons of Ammon would recall to the Israelites the relationship existing between them and the Ammonites, a relationship that even Yehowah took into account, as evidenced by his directing the Israelites not to molest Ammon or to engage in strife with them, since they were sons of Lot, Abraham's nephew.
- And you must get close in front of the sons of Ammon. Do not molest them or engage in strife with them, because I shall not give you any of the land of the sons of Ammon as a holding, for it is to the sons of Lot that I have given it as a holding.

 (Deuteronomy 2:19)

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