

### ~AROER 3 (44)

(A-ro'er) [Juniper Tree]

- A town in the southern part of the territory of Judah. After David's victory over the Amalekite raiders he distributed portions of the spoil to the older men of the city.
- When David came to Ziklag he proceeded to send some of the spoil to the older men of Judah, his friends, saying; Here is a gift blessing for you from the spoil of Yehowah's enemies. (1 Samuel 30:26)
- And to those in Aroer, and to those in Siphmoth, and to those in Eshtemoa. (1 Samuel 30:28)
- It is identified with Khirbet `Ar`arah, Horvat `Aro`er, about 17 kilometers (11 miles) Southeast of Beer-sheba, where the ruins of a fort remain. Some scholars believe that it may be the same place as the Adadah of,
- And to those in Aroer, and to those in Siphmoth, and to those in Eshtemoa. (1 Samuel 30:28)
- The Hebrew letter *da'leth* being substituted for *rehsh* in both instances.
- The reference to the cities of Aroer at,
- The cities of Aroer that have been left behind become mere places for droves, where they actually lie down, with no one to make them tremble. (Isaiah 17:2)
- Could apply to either of the first two cities here considered. The prophecy primarily deals with Damascus, and in view of the Syrian conquest of Israel reaching as far as Aroer on the Arnon, the expression may refer to this southernmost point of their extension of power East of the Jordan.
- From the Jordan toward the rising of the sun, all the land of Gilead, the Gadites and the Reubenites and the Manassites, from Aroer, which is by the torrent valley of Arnon, even Gilead and Bashan. (2 Kings 10:33)

