

## **~BETH-CAR (29)**

### **[House of the Ram]**

- A point mentioned in the account of Israel's defeat of the Philistines at Mizpah. The Israelites pursued the fleeing Philistines as far as south of **Beth-car**. (**1 Samuel 7:11**) Many relate Beth-car to Beth-haccherem
- Take shelter, O you sons of Benjamin, from the midst of Jerusalem, and in Tekoa blow the horn. And over Beth-haccherem raise a fire signal, because calamity itself has looked down out of the north, even a great crash. (**Jeremiah 6:1**)
- And the Gate of the Ash-heaps was what Malchijah the son of Rechab, a prince of the district of Beth-haccherem, repaired, he himself went building it and setting up its doors, its bolts and its bars. (**Nehemiah 3:14**)
- Identified by some with **`Ain Karim**, **`En Kerem**, about 7 kilometers (4.5 miles) West of the Temple Mount in Jerusalem. Such route, if followed, would have lead the Philistines from Mizpah through the deep Wadi beit Hanina down to the Valley of Sorek, and through it to the Plains of Philistia.

**See Also BETH-HACCHEREM**