

### ~BETH-DAGON 1 (39)

(Beth-da'gon) [House of Dagon]

- A town in the allotment of territory assigned to the tribe of Judah.
- And the cities at the extremity of the tribe of the sons of Judah toward the boundary of Edom in the south came to be Kabzeel and Eder and Jagur. (Joshua 15:21)
- And Gederoth, Beth-dagon and Naamah and Makkedah, sixteen cities and their settlements. (Joshua 15:41)
- Although it is listed along with other towns of the Shephelah or lowland region, the suggested location is on the Plains of Philistia at Khirbet Dajun, a short distance Southwest of modern Beit Dajan, Bet Dagan and about 10 kilometers (6 miles) Southeast of Tel Aviv-Yafo. In this regard, it may be noted that other cities of the Philistine plain are listed in subsequent verses.
- Ekron and its dependent towns and its settlements. (Joshua 15:45)
- From Ekron westward all that is alongside Ashdod and their settlements. (Joshua 15:46)
- Ashdod, its dependent towns and its settlements, Gaza, its dependent towns and its settlements, down to the torrent valley of Egypt, and the Great Sea and the adjacent region. (Joshua 15:47)
- This would make it an enclave city within the territory of Dan, as was also apparently the case with Gederah.
- And Shaaraim and Adithaim and Gederah and Gederothaim, fourteen cities and their settlements. (Joshua 15:36)