

~**BETH-MARCABOTH (47)**  
(Beth-mar'ca-both) [House of the Chariots]

- One of the enclave cities of Simeon given them within the territory of the tribe of Judah.
- Then the second lot came out for Simeon, for the tribe of the sons of Simeon by their families. And their inheritance came to be in the midst of the inheritance of the sons of Judah. (**Joshua 19:1**)
- And Ziklag and **Beth-marcaboth** and Hazar-susah. (**Joshua 19:5**)
- And in **Beth-marcaboth** and in Hazar-susim and in Beth-biri and in Shaaraim. These were their cities down till David reigned. (**1 Chronicles 4:31**)
- In the parallel account of the cities originally assigned to Judah
- And Ziklag and Madmannah and Sansannah. (**Joshua 15:31**)
- **Beth-marcaboth's** place is possibly taken by **Madmannah**. If **Beth-marcaboth** is the same as **Madmannah**, then it evidently lay on the main highway leading from Beer-sheba to Jerusalem and locations North, and the name **Beth-marcaboth** may be a secondary name for **Madmannah**.
- The name of the town listed after **Beth-marcaboth**, Hazar-susah or Hazar-susim, means Courtyard or Settlement, of the Mare or Horses. Some suggest that both places were depots and stations for horses and chariots, which traveled the ancient routes between Palestine and Egypt. Chariots were also used for war.
- And Yehowah continued with Judah, so that he took possession of the mountainous region, but he could not dispossess the inhabitants of the low plain, because they had war chariots with iron scythes. (**Judges 1:19**)
- And **Beth-marcaboth** may have been a fortress city of the Canaanites from which their war chariots could proceed out onto the flatlands in the area of Beer-sheba.

**See Also MADMANNAH 2**