

~BETH-TAPPUAH (31)

(Beth-tap'pu-ah) [House of the Apple Tree]

- A city in the hill country near Hebron and part of Judah's territorial inheritance.
- This was the inheritance of the tribe of the sons of Judah by their families. (Joshua 15:20)
- And in the mountainous region Shamir and Jattir and Socoh. (Joshua 15:48)
- And Janim and Beth-tappuah and Aphekah. (Joshua 15:53)
- Some suggest that it received its name from the Judean named Tappuah.
- And the sons of Caleb the brother of Jerahmeel were Mesha his firstborn, who was the father of Ziph, and the sons of Mareshah the father of Hebron. (1 Chronicles 2:42)
- And the sons of Hebron were Korah and Tappuah and Rekem and Shema. (1 Chronicles 2:43)
- However, it is also possible that Beth-tappuah was named after the apple trees that likely once grew there in abundance. It is identified today with modern Taffuh, about 6 kilometers (3.5 miles) West-Northwest of Hebron.