

~GEDEROTH (35)
(Ge-de'roth) [Stone Pens]

- **A city in the Shephelah assigned to Judah.**
- **This was the inheritance of the tribe of the sons of Judah by their families. (Joshua 15:20)**
- **In the Shephelah there were Eshtaol and Zorah and Ashnah. (Joshua 15:33)**
- **And Gederoth, Beth-dagon and Naamah and Makkedah, sixteen cities and their settlements. (Joshua 15:41)**
- **And one of the places taken by the Philistines during the reign of King Ahaz, 761-746 B.C.E.**
- **As for the Philistines, they made a raid upon the cities of the Shephelah and the Negeb of Judah and got to capture Beth-shemesh and Aijalon and Gederoth and Soco and its dependent towns and Timnah and its dependent towns and Gimzo and its dependent towns, and they took up dwelling there. (2 Chronicles 28:18)**
- **For Yehowah humbled Judah on account of Ahaz the king of Israel, because he let unrestraint grow in Judah, and there was an acting with great unfaithfulness toward Yehowah. (2 Chronicles 28:19)**
- **Some geographers locate Gederoth at Katrah, an abandoned village on a mound within modern Gedera, about 13 kilometers (8 miles) East-Northeast of Ashdod, though others say this is too far West to be in the Shephelah.**