

**~GOIIM 1 (67)**  
**(Goi'im) [Nations]**

- The realm of King Tidal, an ally of the Elamite king Chedorlaomer.
- Now it came about in the days of Amraphel king of Shinar, Arioch king of Ellasar, Chedorlaomer king of Elam, and Tidal king of **Goiim**. (**Genesis 14:1**)
- That these made war with Bera king of Sodom, and with Birsha king of Gomorrah, Shinab king of Admah, and Shemeber king of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela, that is to say, Zoar. (**Genesis 14:2**)
- All these marched as allies to the Low Plain of Siddim, that is, the Salt Sea. (**Genesis 14:3**)
- Twelve years they had served Chedorlaomer, but the thirteenth year they rebelled. (**Genesis 14:4**)
- And in the fourteenth year Chedorlaomer came, and also the kings who were with him, and they inflicted defeats on the Rephaim in Ashterothkarnaim, and the Zuzim in Ham, and the Emim in Shavehkiriathaim. (**Genesis 14:5**)
- And the Horites in their mountain of Seir, down to Elparan, which is at the wilderness. (**Genesis 14:6**)
- Then they turned about and came to Enmishpat, that is, Kadesh, and defeated the whole field of the Amalekites and also the Amorites who were dwelling in Hazazontamar. (**Genesis 14:7**)
- At this point the king of Sodom went on the march, and also the king of Gomorrah and the king of Admah and the king of Zeboiim and the king of Bela, that is to say, Zoar, and they drew up in battle order against them in the Low Plain of Siddim. (**Genesis 14:8**)
- Against Chedorlaomer king of Elam and Tidal king of **Goiim** and Amraphel king of Shinar and Arioch king of Ellasar, four kings against the five. (**Genesis 14:9**)

- Although numerous suggestions have been made, no identification of its location has been established. In view of the meaning of the term and its translation in other texts
- So Yehowah sold them into the hand of Jabin the king of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor, and the chief of his army was Sisera, and he was dwelling in Harosheth of the nations. ([Judges 4:2](#))
- However, the obscureness will not be as when the land had stress, as at the former time when one treated with contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali and when at the later time one caused it to be honored, the way by the sea, in the region of the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. ([Isaiah 9:1](#))
- As a common noun, nations, rather than a proper name, some suggest that **Goiim** was a collection of tribes with varied national backgrounds.

**See Also TIDAL**