~HABOR (44)
(Ha'bor)

· A city or district to which the Assyrian king Tiglath-pileser III exiled numerous Israelites of the ten-tribe kingdom.

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· Some scholars have linked this Habor with Abhar, a town located on the Qezel Owzan River of Northwest Iran about 210 kilometers (130 miles) West of Tehran.

· In the ninth year of Hoshea, the king of Assyria captured Samaria and then led Israel into exile in Assyria and kept them dwelling in Halah and in Habor at the river Gozan and in the cities of the Medes. (2 Kings 17:6)

· After that the king of Assyria took Israel into exile in Assyria and set them down in Halah and in Habor at the river Gozan and in the cities of the Medes. (2 Kings 18:11)

· Some favor the reading Habor, the river of Gozan (AS, RS), and they suggest identifying the Habor with a tributary of the Euphrates, the Khabur River of Southeast Turkey and Northeast Syria. However, in agreement with

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· This phrase may instead be translated Habor at, or by, the river Gozan. NW, Yg

See Also GOZAN