~HADADRIMMON (76)

(Ha-dad-rim'mon)

- Evidently a location in the valley plain of Megiddo.
- In that day the wailing in Jerusalem will be great, like the wailing of Hadadrimmon in the valley plain of Megiddo. (Zechariah 12:11)
- Hadadrimmon is often identified with Rummana, a site about 7 kilometers (4.5 miles) South-Southeast of Megiddo.
- The great wailing at Hadadrimmon mentioned in Zechariah's prophecy perhaps alludes to the lamentation over King Josiah, killed in battle at Megiddo.
- In his days Pharaoh Nechoh the king of Egypt came up to the king of Assyria by the river Euphrates, and King Josiah proceeded to go to meet him, but he put him to death at Megiddo as soon as he saw him. (2 Kings 23:29)
- Accordingly his servants took him down from the chariot and had him ride in the second war chariot that was his and brought him to Jerusalem. Thus he died and was buried in the graveyard of his forefathers, and all Judah and Jerusalem were mourning over Josiah. (2 Chronicles 35:24)
- And Jeremiah began to chant over Josiah, and all the male singers and female singers keep talking about Josiah in their dirges down till today, and they have them set as a regulation over Israel, and there they are written among the dirges. (2 Chronicles 35:25)
- But some associate this lamentation with ritualistic mourning ceremonies like those for the false god Tammuz.
- So he brought me to the entrance of the gate of the house of Yehowah, which is toward the north, and, look! There the women were sitting, weeping over the god Tammuz. (Ezekiel 8:14)

- And consider Hadadrimmon to be the composite name of a god. This is unlikely, especially since Yehowah's words, through Zechariah, are part of a prophecy concerning the Messiah. Hardly could idolatrous weeping ceremonies serve as a prophetic illustration, but the mourning for a faithful Judean king could well do so.
- Now as he looked up he saw the rich dropping their gifts into the treasury chests. (Luke 21:1)
- And I will pour out upon the house of David and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem the spirit of favor and entreaties, and they will certainly look to the One whom they pierced through, and they will certainly wail over Him as in the wailing over an only son, and there will be a bitter lamentation over him as when there is bitter lamentation over the firstborn son. (Zechariah 12:10)
- In that day the wailing in Jerusalem will be great, like the wailing of Hadadrimmon in the valley plain of Megiddo. (Zechariah 12:11)
- And the land will certainly wail, each family by itself, the family of the house of David by itself, and their women by themselves, the family of the house of Nathan by itself, and their women by themselves. (Zechariah 12:12)
- The family of the house of Levi by itself, and their women by themselves, the family of the Shimeites by itself, and their women by themselves. (Zechariah 12:13)
- All the families that are left remaining, each family by itself, and their women by themselves. (Zechariah 12:14)