

~HAM 2 (83)

- **A city of the Zuzim East of the Jordan.**
- **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](#))**
- **Defeat was inflicted on the city by the king of Elam in coalition with three other kings at the time they crushed the rebellion of the cities of the District in the Dead Sea area.**
- **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**)
- Now the Low Plain of Siddim was pits upon pits of bitumen, and the kings of Sodom and Gomorrah took to flight and went falling into them, and those who remained fled to the mountainous region. (**Genesis 14:10**)
- Then the victors took all the goods of Sodom and Gomorrah and all their food and went on their way. (**Genesis 14:11**)
- They also took Lot the son of Abram's brother and his goods and continued on their way. He was then dwelling in Sodom. (**Genesis 14:12**)
- The order of the listing of **Ham** in;
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- And the Horites in their mountain of Seir, down to Elparan, which is at the wilderness. (**Genesis 14:6**)
- Seems to place it South of Ashteroth-karnaim and North of Shaveh-kiriathaim. The name of the city is preserved in that of the modern village of **Ham** on the **Wadi er-Rejeileh**, also called **Wadi Ham**, about 6 kilometers (3.5 miles) South-Southwest of Irbid in the `Ajlun, and about 30 kilometers (19 miles) Southeast of the South end of the Sea of Galilee. The ancient city itself appears to be the tell (**Tell Ham**) nearby.