## ~HARA (59) (Ha'ra)

- A site to which Assyrian King Tilgath-pilneser, Tiglath-pileser III, transported Israelite captives.
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- Similar references
- 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)
- To a later Assyrian exile tell of Israelites being taken to the cities of the Medes [Masoretic text] or the mountains of the Medes. [LXX]
- Many scholars feel that the Septuagint reading may be the correct one and suggest that at;
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- Hara, Ha-ra'', perhaps an Aramaic form of the Hebrew word for mountain har became a proper name when the phrase of the Medes was inadvertently omitted.

- If this assumption is correct, Hara may have applied to the mountains of the Medes, East of the Tigris River valley. However, some who consider the Gozan of;
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- To be a place, as in JB, RS, and not a river believe that Hara possibly was a local designation for a mountainous region in Turkey.