

## ~HORONITE (51)

(Hor'o-nite) [Of, or belonging to, Beth-horon or Horonaim]

- A designation applied to Sanballat, one of the men opposing the work of Nehemiah.
- When Sanballat the **Horonite** and Tobiah the servant, the Ammonite, got to hear of it, then it seemed to them something very bad that a man had come to seek something good for the sons of Israel. (**Nehemiah 2:10**)
- Now when Sanballat the **Horonite** and Tobiah the servant, the Ammonite, and Geshem the Arabian heard of it, they began to deride us and look on us despisingly and say; What is this thing that you are doing? Is it against the king that you are rebelling? (**Nehemiah 2:19**)
- Some scholars think that Sanballat may have been from the Moabite city of **Horonaim**.
- My own heart cries out over Moab himself. The runaways thereof are as far along as Zoar and Eglath-shelishiyah. For on the ascent of Luhith, with weeping each one goes up on it, for on the way to **Horonaim** they arouse the outcry about the catastrophe. (**Isaiah 15:5**)
- There is the sound of an outcry from **Horonaim**, a despoiling and great breaking down. (**Jeremiah 48:3**)
- And, in support of this, call attention to his being mentioned with Tobiah the Ammonite and Geshem the Arabian. But the view generally favored is that **Horonite** probably means a native, or inhabitant, of **Beth-horon**. Both **Upper and Lower Beth-horon** were located in territory originally assigned to Ephraim.
- And the lot came out for the sons of Joseph from the Jordan at Jericho to the waters of Jericho eastward, the wilderness going up from Jericho into the mountainous region of Bethel. (**Joshua 16:1**)
- And it went down westward to the boundary of the Japhletites as far as the boundary of **Lower Beth-horon** and Gezer, and its

termination proved to be at the sea. (**Joshua 16:3**)

- And the boundary of the sons of Ephraim by their families came to be, yes, the boundary of their inheritance toward the east came to be Ataroth-addar, as far as **Upper Beth-horon**. (**Joshua 16:5**)