

~IR-SHEMESH (40)

(Ir-she'mesh) [City of the Sun]

- **A town on the boundary of Dan, listed between Eshtaol and Shaalabbin in;**
- **And the border of their inheritance came to be Zorah and Eshtaol and **Ir-shemesh**. (Joshua 19:41)**
- **And Shaalabbin and Aijalon and Ithlah. (Joshua 19:42)**
- **It is possibly the same as **Beth-shemesh** of;**
- **And the boundary went around from Baalah westward to Mount Seir and passed over to the slope of Mount Jearim at the north, that is to say; Chesalon, and it went down to **Beth-shemesh** and passed over to Timnah. (Joshua 15:10)**
- **If so, then it was later occupied by the tribe of Judah and assigned from that tribe as one of the 48 Levite cities.**
- **And Ain and its pasture ground, and Juttah and its pasture ground, **Beth-shemesh** and its pasture ground, nine cities out of these two tribes. (Joshua 21:16)**
- **And Ashan with its pasture grounds and **Beth-shemesh** with its pasture grounds. (1 Chronicles 6:59)**
- **These are the cities that you will give to the Levites, six cities of refuge, which you will give for the manslayer to flee there, and besides them you will give forty-two other cities. (Numbers 35:6)**
- **All the cities that you will give to the Levites will be forty-eight cities, they together with their pasture grounds. (Numbers 35:7)**

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