

~KENATH (23)
(Ke'nath)

- A site East of the Jordan captured by Nobah, probably a Manassite, who thereafter called it by his own name.
- And Nobah marched and went capturing **Kenath** and its dependent towns, and he began to call it Nobah by his own name. (**Numbers 32:42**)
- But the designation **Nobah** perhaps did not stick, for later **Kenath** is reported to have been taken by Geshur and Syria.
- Later Geshur and Syria took Havvoth-jair from them, with **Kenath** and its dependent towns, sixty cities. All these were the sons of Machir the father of Gilead. (**1 Chronicles 2:23**)
- **Kenath** is identified with the ruins at **Kanaouat** or **Canatha**, about 90 kilometers (60 miles) South-Southeast of Damascus and 7 kilometers (4.5 miles) Northwest of modern Soueida. **Kanaouat** was one of the original ten cities of the Decapolis.