

~KENIZZITE 1 (50)

(Ken'iz-zite) [Of, or belonging to, Kenaz]

- Member of a non-Israelite people in or near Canaan whose territory was promised by Yehowah to Abram's seed.
- On that day Yehowah concluded with Abram a covenant, saying; To your seed I will give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates. ([Genesis 15:18](#))
- The Kenites and the **Kenizzites** and the Kadmonites. ([Genesis 15:19](#))
- The **Kenizzites** evidently moved into the Negeb from the Southeast, possibly spreading over part of Edom as well as what became southern Judah, doing so prior to the Israelite conquest of the Promised Land.
- The **Kenizzites** have been linked by some scholars with the Kenaz who was a sheik of Edom descended from Esau through Eliphaz
- These are the sheiks of the sons of Esau. The sons of Eliphaz, Esau's firstborn: Sheik Teman, Sheik Omar, Sheik Zepho, Sheik Kenaz. ([Genesis 36:15](#))
- Sheik Korah, Sheik Gatam, Sheik Amalek. These are the sheiks of Eliphaz in the land of Edom. These are the sons by Adah. ([Genesis 36:16](#))
- And thus are viewed as a prominent Edomite family. There is, however, uncertainty as to the actual identity of the patronymic ancestor of the **Kenizzites** since the Bible itself does not provide details in this regard.
- The fact that, in Abram's time, Yehowah listed the **Kenizzites** among those occupying territory that was to become the possession of Abram's seed.
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- Does not favor the view that the **Kenizzites** were descendants of Esau, who had not then been born.