

~KERIOTH (51)

(Ke'ri-oth) [Towns]

- A place mentioned in two prophecies against Moab.
- And against **Kerioth** and against Bozrah and against all the cities of the land of Moab, those far away and those near. (**Jeremiah 48:24**)
- And I will send a fire into Moab, and it must devour the dwelling towers of **Kerioth**, and with noise Moab must die, with an alarm signal, with the sound of a horn. (**Amos 2:2**)
- The meaning of its name may indicate that the city was comprised of several smaller towns. **Kerioth's** exact location is uncertain. Some scholars tentatively suggest Saliya, a site about 16 kilometers (10 miles) East-Southeast of Dibon and North of the Arnon.
- Others believe that Kerioth is perhaps the same as Ar, South of Arnon. This view seems to find some support in the fact that Ar and Kerioth, although figuring as principal cities.
- This is what Yehowah has said; On account of three revolts of Moab, and on account of four, I shall not turn it back, on account of his burning the bones of the king of Edom for lime. (**Amos 2:1**)
- And I will send a fire into Moab, and it must devour the dwelling towers of **Kerioth**, and with noise Moab must die, with an alarm signal, with the sound of a horn. (**Amos 2:2**)
- And I will cut off the judge from the midst of her, and all her princes I shall kill with him, Yehowah has said. (**Amos 2:3**)
- Yehowah then said to me; Do not molest Moab or engage in war with them, because I shall not give you any of his land as a holding, for to the sons of Lot I have given Ar as a holding. (**Deuteronomy 2:9**)
- You are passing today by the territory of Moab, that is, Ar. (**Deuteronomy 2:18**)

- Do not appear together in lists of Moabite towns. (**Isaiah Chapters 15,16**)(**Jeremiah Chapter 48**)
- The Moabite Stone, although giving no hint as to the location of **Kerioth**, does indicate that the god Chemosh had a sanctuary there.