## ~LESHEM (33) (Le'shem)

- Alternate name for the city of Laish, later called Dan.
- And the territory of the sons of Dan was too cramped for them. And the sons of Dan proceeded to go up and war against Leshem and to capture it and strike it with the edge of the sword. Then they took possession of it and went dwelling in it, and they began to call Leshem Dan, according to the name of Dan their forefather. (Joshua 19:47)
- Accordingly the five men went on and came to Laish and saw how the people that were within it were dwelling in self-reliance according to the custom of the Sidonians, quiet and unsuspecting, and there was no oppressive conqueror that was molesting a thing in the land, while they were far off from the Sidonians and they had nothing to do with mankind. (Judges 18:7)
- As for them, they took what Micah had made and the priest that had become his, and they kept going toward Laish, against a people quiet and unsuspecting. And they proceeded to strike them with the edge of the sword, and the city they burned with fire. (Judges 18:27)
- Furthermore, they called the name of the city Dan by the name of their father, Dan, who had been born to Israel. Nevertheless, Laish was the city's name at first. (Judges 18:29)

**See Also DAN 3**