~MACHBENAH (19) (Mach-be'nah)

- The name appears in a list of Caleb's descendants through his concubine Maacah, her son Sheva being called the father of Machbenah and the father of Gibea.
- As for Caleb's concubine Maacah, she gave birth to Sheber and Tirhanah. (1 Chronicles 2:48)
- In time she bore Shaaph the father of Madmannah, Sheva the father of Machbenah and the father of Gibea. And Caleb's daughter was Achsah. (1 Chronicles 2:49)
- Some commentators, noting that many of the names in this section also occur as names of towns, suggest that Machbenah may be the name of a town founded or fathered by Sheva.