

~TAMAR 4 (86)
(Ta'mar) [Palm Tree]

- One of several cities built, possibly rebuilt or fortified, by King Solomon.
- And Solomon went on to build Gezer and Lower Beth-horon. (**1 Kings 9:17**)
- And Baalath and **Tamar** in the wilderness, in the land. (**1 Kings 9:18**)
- And all the storage cities that became Solomon's and the chariot cities and the cities for the horsemen, and the desirable things of Solomon that he had desired to build in Jerusalem and in Lebanon and in all the land of his dominion. (**1 Kings 9:19**)
- **Tamar** is mentioned at;
- And Baalath and **Tamar** in the wilderness, in the land. (**1 Kings 9:18**)
- As being in the land, evidently indicating that it was found in Israelite territory. Yohanan Aharoni identifies **Tamar** with **Ain Husb**, **`En Hazeva**, about 30 kilometers (20 miles) South-Southwest of the Dead Sea. The basis for his identification is a comparison of the boundary descriptions of Canaan found in;
- And your south side must prove to be from the wilderness of Zin alongside Edom, and your south boundary must prove to be from the extremity of the Salt Sea on the east. (**Numbers 34:3**)
- And your boundary must change direction from the south of the ascent of Akrabbim and cross over to Zin, and its termination must prove to be on the south of Kadesh-barnea, and it must go out to Hazar-addar and pass over to Azmon. (**Numbers 34:4**)
- And the boundary must change direction at Azmon to the torrent valley of Egypt, and its termination must prove to be at the Sea. (**Numbers 34:5**)
- As for a west boundary, it must prove to be for you the Great Sea

and the shoreland. This will become your west boundary.
(**Numbers 34:6**)

- And the lot of the tribe of the sons of Judah by their families came to be to the boundary of Edom, the wilderness of Zin, to the Negeb at its southern end. (**Joshua 15:1**)
- And their southern boundary came to be from the extremity of the Salt Sea, from the bay that faces southward. (**Joshua 15:2**)
- And it went out southward to the ascent of Akrabbim and passed over to Zin and went up from the south to Kadesh-barnea and passed over to Hezron and went up to Addar and went around to Karka. (**Joshua 15:3**)
- And it passed on to Azmon and went out to the torrent valley of Egypt, and the boundary's termination proved to be at the sea. This came to be their southern boundary. (**Joshua 15:4**)
- And the southern side is to the south, from **Tamar** to the waters of Meribath-kadesh, the torrent valley to the Great Sea. This is the side to the south, toward the Negeb. (**Ezekiel 47:19**)
- And by the boundary of Gad, to the southern border, it will be southward, and the boundary must prove to be from **Tamar** to the waters of Meribath-kadesh, to the torrent valley, as far as the Great Sea. (**Ezekiel 48:28**)
- Although the parallel text at;
- Then he rebuilt Tadmor in the wilderness and all the storage cities that he had built in Hamath. (**2 Chronicles 8:4**)
- Reads, **Tadmor**, it evidently refers to a different city, one that is commonly identified with **Palmyra**.

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