

~TEL-ASSAR (28) **(Tel-as'sar)**

- A place inhabited by **the sons of Eden** mentioned along with Gozan, Haran, and Rezeph sites in northern Mesopotamia.
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- Sennacherib boasted, through his messengers, that the gods worshiped by the people of these places had been unable to deliver them from the power of his forefathers.
- Because of the reference to **the sons of Eden**, **Tel-assar** is generally associated with the small kingdom of Bit-adini along the Upper Euphrates.
- Assyrian monarchs Tiglath-pileser III and Esar-haddon both refer to a Til-Ashuri, but its location is considered to have been near the Assyrian border of Elam. Hence, identification of **Tel-assar** remains uncertain.