

~ZANOAH 1 (42)

(Za-no'ah) [possibly from a root meaning, stink]

- A Judean city in the Shephelah.
- This was the inheritance of the tribe of the sons of Judah by their families. (**Joshua 15:20**)
- In the Shephelah there were Eshtaol and Zorah and Ashnah. (**Joshua 15:33**)
- And **Zanoah** and En-gannim, Tappuah and Enam. (**Joshua 15:34**)
- And Shaaraim and Adithaim and Gederah and Gederothaim, fourteen cities and their settlements. (**Joshua 15:36**)
- It was among the cities reinhabited after the Babylonian exile.
- And as regards the settlements in their fields, there were some of the sons of Judah that dwelt in Kiriath-arba and its dependent towns and in Dibon and its dependent towns and in Jekabzeel and its settlements. (**Nehemiah 11:25**)
- **Zanoah**, Adullam and their settlements, Lachish and its fields, Azekah and its dependent towns. And they took up camping from Beer-sheba clear to the valley of Hinnom. (**Nehemiah 11:30**)
- The residents of this **Zanoah** may have been the ones who did repair work on Jerusalem's southern wall and its Valley Gate.
- The Valley Gate was what Hanun and the inhabitants of **Zanoah** repaired, they themselves built it and then set up its doors, its bolts and its bars, also a thousand cubits in the wall as far as the Gate of the Ash-heaps. (**Nehemiah 3:13**)
- It is identified with **Khirbet Zanu`**, **Horvat Zanoah**, about 5 kilometers (3 miles) Southeast of Beth-shemesh.