## 442 Ephraim - Double Blessed - Joshua 16

Joshua 16:1-10 And the lot of the children of Joseph fell from Jordan by Jericho, unto the water of Jericho on the east, to the wilderness that goeth up from Jericho throughout mount Bethel, 2 And goeth out from Bethel to Luz, and passeth along unto the borders of Archi to Ataroth, 3 And goeth down westward to the coast of Japhleti, unto the coast of Bethhoron the nether, and to Gezer: and the goings out thereof are at the sea. 4 So the children of Joseph, Manasseh and Ephraim, took their inheritance. 5 And the border of the children of Ephraim according to their families was thus: even the border of their inheritance on the east side was Atarothaddar, unto Bethhoron the upper; 6 And the border went out toward the sea to Michmethah on the north side; and the border went about eastward unto Taanathshiloh, and passed by it on the east to Janohah; 7 And it went down from Janohah to Ataroth, and to Naarath, and came to Jericho, and went out at Jordan. 8 The border went out from Tappuah westward unto the river Kanah; and the goings out thereof were at the sea. This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Ephraim by their families. 9 And the separate cities for the children of Ephraim were among the inheritance of the children of Manasseh, all the cities with their villages. 10 And they drave not out the Canaanites that dwelt in Gezer: but the Canaanites dwell among the Ephraimites unto this day, and serve under tribute.

Joshua 15 Summarized the inheritance of Judah.

Genesis 29:30 And he went in also unto <u>Rachel</u>, and he <u>loved</u> also <u>Rachel</u> more than Leah, and served with him yet seven other years.

Joshua 16:4 So the children of Joseph, Manasseh and Ephraim, took their inheritance.

Romans 9:13 As it is written, <u>Jacob</u> have I <u>loved</u>, but <u>Esau</u> have I <u>hated</u>.

Genesis 48 Reuban disinherited because of adultry so his inheritance went to Joseph.

1 Corinthians 14:40 Let all things be done decently and in order.

Deuteronomy 27:17 Cursed *be* he that <u>removeth</u> his neighbour's <u>landmark</u>. And all the people shall say, Amen.

**Exodus 20 & on God expands the 10 Commandments.** 

Leviticus 18 & 20 God expands the sexual immorality.

Isaiah 52:11 Depart <u>ye</u>, depart <u>ye</u>, go <u>ye</u> out from thence, touch no unclean thing; go <u>ye</u> out of the midst of her; <u>be ye clean</u>, that bear the <u>vessels</u> of the LORD.

- Numbers 33:55 But if ye will not drive out the inhabitants of the land from before you; then it shall come to pass, that those which ye let remain of them *shall be* <u>pricks</u> in your eyes, and <u>thorns</u> in your sides, and shall vex you in the land wherein ye dwell.
- Revelation 2:14 But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the doctrine of <u>Balaam</u>, who taught Balac to cast a stumblingblock before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication.
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Strongs #0669 'Ephrayim *ef-rah'- yim* AV-Ephraim 176, Ephraimite 4; 180 Ephraim =" double ash-heap: I shall be doubly fruitful"

- 1) second son of Joseph, blessed by him and given preference over first son, Manasseh
- 2) the tribe, Ephraim 3) the mountain country of Ephraim
- 4) sometimes used name for the northern kingdom (Hosea or Isaiah)
- 5) a city near Baal-hazor 6) a chief gate of Jerusalem
- Concise Bible Dictionary Ephraim Second son of Joseph and Asenath. The name is also given to the tribe of which he was the head, and also to the district of Palestine that fell to his lot. When Israel blessed the two sons of Joseph he set Ephraim before his elder brother, saying he should be greater, and his seed should become a multitude (or, 'fatness') of nations. #Ge 48:17-19. Little is recorded of Ephraim personally; and of his descendants, Joshua the son of Nun is the most renowned.

(Caleb was the man with another spirit.)

- The tribe on the second year from the Exodus numbered in fighting men 40,500; but had decreased during the forty years to 32,500. #Nu 1:33; 26:37. The territory of the tribe was in the heart of Palestine, having Manasseh on the north, Benjamin on the south, and Dan on the west. It has beautiful valleys and noble mountains with many springs and streams. Its two principal towns were Shiloh and Shechem.
- Ephraim had the place of the first-born, {#Jer 31:9} the birthright being taken from Reuben and given to Joseph. #1Ch 5:1,2. Also the place of the tabernacle was in the tribe of Ephraim, hence we find in the time of the judges this tribe asserting its own importance. They were angry with Gideon for not calling them to the war sooner than he did; but a soft answer appeared their wrath. #Jud 7:24; 8:1-3. Again they complained to Jephthah that he had gone without them to fight the Ammonites, though

Jephthah declared that he had called them, and they had not responded. They also haughtily said of the Gileadites that they were fugitives of Ephraim, implying that they were not a tribe, but belonged to Ephraim, from whence they had escaped. The conflict was sharp; the Gileadites seized the ford of the Jordan, and then by putting all who wanted to pass to the test of pronouncing Shibboleth (which the Ephraimites could only call Sibboleth) they slew 42,000 of the men of Ephraim. #Jud 12:1-6. Thus was this proud and envious tribe punished for molesting their brethren, whereas they had not driven out the heathen inhabitants of the land, as they should have done. #Jud 1:29. Type of many in the church who in pride contend with their brethren, but do not fight God's battles against spiritual wickedness.

- Ephesians 6:12 For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high *places*.
- Later on the Lord forsook Shiloh, and chose, not the tribe of Ephraim, but that of Judah both for the place of royalty and for the sanctuary.
- In the kingdom under David and Solomon we read very little of Ephraim, but it is twice called in the psalms 'the strength (or defence) of mine head.' #Ps 60:7; 108:8. At the division of the tribes Ephraim took the most prominent place; Shechem and Samaria being in their territory naturally contributed to this, and accounts for the ten tribes being constantly called 'Ephraim' by the prophets. In the same way the two tribes are called 'Judah.' #Ho 5:3,5,13,14, &c. Isaiah prophesied that in sixty-five years Ephraim should be broken and should not be a people. #Isa 7:8. This was in B.C. 742, and Samaria was taken and Israel carried into captivity in B.C. 721, so that the prophecy doubtless referred to Esarhaddon planting a colony of foreigners in Samaria in B.C. 678, which fulfils the sixty-five years. This also agrees with the prophecy saying 'the head of Ephraim' is Samaria. In the prophecies also that refer to the future blessing of the twelve tribes Ephraim is regarded as representing the ten tribes. #Eze 37:16-22, where the twelve tribes are to become one nation in their own land, with one king over them: a prophecy which clearly has never yet been fulfilled, but which will surely be accomplished in God's own time.
- Psalms 78:9 The children of Ephraim, *being* armed, *and* carrying bows, turned back in the day of battle.
- Numbers 14 Summarized Israelites rejecting entering into the promised land & cursing themselves.
- Mark 16:17,18 And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name

- shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; 18 They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.
- 1 Kings 11:29-40 And it came to pass at that time when Jeroboam went out of Jerusalem, that the prophet Ahijah the Shilonite found him in the way; and he had clad himself with a new garment; and they two *were* alone in the field: 30 And Ahijah caught the new garment that was on him, and rent it in twelve pieces: 31 And he said to Jeroboam, Take thee ten pieces: for thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, Behold, I will rend the kingdom out of the hand of Solomon, and will give ten tribes to thee: 32 (But he shall have one tribe for my servant David's sake, and for Jerusalem's sake, the city which I have chosen out of all the tribes of Israel:) 33 Because that they have forsaken me, and have worshipped Ashtoreth the goddess of the Zidonians, Chemosh the god of the Moabites, and Milcom the god of the children of Ammon, and have not walked in my ways, to do that which is right in mine eyes, and to keep my statutes and my judgments, as did David his father. 34 Howbeit I will not take the whole kingdom out of his hand; but I will make him prince all the days of his life for David my servant's sake, whom I chose, because he kept my commandments and my statutes: 35 But I will take the kingdom out of his son's hand, and will give it unto thee, even ten tribes. 36 And unto his son will I give one tribe, that David my servant may have a light alway before me in Jerusalem, the city which I have chosen me to put my name there. 37 And I will take thee, and thou shalt reign according to all that thy soul desireth, and shalt be king over Israel. 38 And it shall be, if thou wilt hearken unto all that I command thee, and wilt walk in my ways, and do that is right in my sight, to keep my statutes and my commandments, as David my servant did; that I will be with thee, and build thee a sure house, as I built for David, and will give Israel unto thee. 39 And I will for this afflict the seed of David, but not for ever. 40 Solomon sought therefore to kill Jeroboam. And Jeroboam arose, and fled into Egypt, unto Shishak king of Egypt, and was in Egypt until the death of Solomon.
- 1 Kings 12 Summarized how 10 tribes rebelled against Rehoboam
- 1 Kings 11:7,8 Then did Solomon build an high place for Chemosh, the abomination of Moab, in the hill that *is* before Jerusalem, and for Molech, the abomination of the children of Ammon. 8 And likewise did he for all his strange wives, which burnt incense and sacrificed unto their gods.

Acts 15:20 But that we write unto them, that they abstain from pollutions

of idols, and *from* fornication, and *from* things strangled, and *from* blood.

- 1 Kings 12 Summarized Jeroboam's false religion
- John 10:10 The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have *it* more abundantly.
- Luke 15 referred to the prodigal son returning & the parable of the Shepherd seeking the 1 lost sheep.

Ezekiel 37:15-28 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying, 16 Moreover, thou son of man, take thee one stick, and write upon it, For Judah, and for the children of Israel his companions: then take another stick, and write upon it, For Joseph, the stick of Ephraim, and for all the house of Israel his companions: 17 And join them one to another into one stick; and they shall become one in thine hand. 18 And when the children of thy people shall speak unto thee, saying, Wilt thou not shew us what thou meanest by these? 19 Say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will take the stick of Joseph, which is in the hand of Ephraim, and the tribes of Israel his fellows, and will put them with him, even with the stick of Judah, and make them one stick, and they shall be one in mine hand. 20 And the sticks whereon thou writest shall be in thine hand before their eyes. 21 And say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will take the children of Israel from among the heathen, whither they be gone, and will gather them on every side, and bring them into their own land: 22 And I will make them one nation in the land upon the mountains of Israel; and one king shall be king to them all: and they shall be no more two nations, neither shall they be divided into two kingdoms any more at all: 23 Neither shall they defile themselves any more with their idols, nor with their detestable things, nor with any of their transgressions: but I will save them out of all their dwellingplaces, wherein they have sinned, and will cleanse them: so shall they be my people, and I will be their God. 24 And David my servant shall be king over them; and they all shall have one shepherd: they shall also walk in my judgments, and observe my statutes, and do them. 25 And they shall dwell in the land that I have given unto Jacob my servant, wherein your fathers have dwelt; and they shall dwell therein, even they, and their children, and their children's children for ever: and my servant David shall be their prince for ever. 26 Moreover I will make a covenant of peace with them; it shall be an everlasting covenant with them: and I will place them, and multiply them, and will set my sanctuary in the midst of them for evermore. 27 My tabernacle also shall be with them: yea, I will be their God, and they shall be my people. 28 And the heathen

- shall know that I the LORD do sanctify Israel, when my sanctuary shall be in the midst of them for evermore.
- Ezekiel 37:24 And David my servant shall be king over them; and they all shall have one shepherd: they shall also <u>walk in my judgments, and observe my statutes, and do them</u>.
- Our Lord Jesus Christ will be the 1 King Who reigns forever.
- Hebrews 9:25 Nor yet that he should offer himself often, as the <u>high priest</u> entereth into the <u>holy</u> place every year with blood of others;
- John 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.
- Luke 6:28 <u>Bless</u> them that <u>curse</u> you, and pray for them which despitefully use you.
- Romans 12:21 Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.
- 2 Corinthians 6:17 Wherefore <u>come</u> <u>out</u> from among them, and be ye <u>separate</u>, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean *thing*; and I will receive you,
- 2 Thessalonians 2:3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for *that day* shall not come, except there come a <u>falling away</u> first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;
- Matthew 24:12 And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold.
- Matthew 7:13,14 Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide *is* the gate, and broad *is* the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: 14 Because strait *is* the gate, and <u>narrow</u> *is* the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.
- Matthew 11:28 Come unto me, all *ye* that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

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