

Joshua 18:11-28 **Benjamin Inheritance in the Promised Land**

Boundaries of Benjamin

11 Now the lot of the tribe of the children of Benjamin came up according to their families, and the territory of their lot came out between the children of Judah and the children of Joseph.

North Border

12 Their border on the north side began at the Jordan, and the border went up to the side of Jericho on the north, and went up through the mountains westward; it ended at the Wilderness of Beth Aven. 13 The border went over from there toward Luz, to the side of Luz (which is Bethel) southward; and the border descended to Ataroth Addar, near the hill that lies on the south side of Lower Beth Horon.

West Border

14 Then the border extended around the west side to the south, from the hill that lies before Beth Horon southward; and it ended at Kirjath Baal (which is Kirjath Jearim), a city of the children of Judah. This was the west side.

South Border

15 The south side began at the end of Kirjath Jearim, and the border extended on the west and went out to the spring of the waters of Nephtoah. 16 Then the border came down to the end of the mountain that lies before the Valley of the Son of Hinnom, which is in the Valley of the Rephaim on the north, descended to the Valley of Hinnom, to the side of the Jebusite city on the south, and descended to En Rogel. 17 And it went around from the north, went out to En Shemesh, and extended toward Geliloth, which is before the Ascent of Adummim, and descended to the stone of Bohan the son of Reuben. 18 Then it passed along toward the north side of Arabah, and went down to Arabah. 19 And the border passed along to the north side of Beth Hoglah; then the border ended at the north bay at the Salt Sea, at the south end of the Jordan. This was the southern boundary.

East Border

20 The Jordan was its border on the east side. This was the inheritance of the children of Benjamin, according to its boundaries all around, according to their families.

Cities of Benjamin

21 Now the cities of the tribe of the children of Benjamin, according to their families, were Jericho, Beth Hoglah, Emek Keziz, 22 Beth Arabah, Zemaraim, Bethel, 23 Avim, Parah, Ophrah, 24 Chephar Haammoni, Ophni, and Gaba: twelve cities with their villages; 25 Gibeon, Ramah, Beeroth, 26 Mizpah, Chephirah, Mozah, 27 Rekem, Irpeel, Taralah, 28 Zelah, Eleph, Jebus (which is Jerusalem), Gibeath, and Kirjath: fourteen cities with their villages. This was the inheritance of the children of Benjamin according to their families. NKJV

Facts Revealed:

Boundaries of Benjamin

✧ 11 Now the lot of the tribe of the children of Benjamin came up according to their families, and the territory of their lot came out **between the children of Judah and the children of Joseph.** [Joshua 18:11]

✧ From the Jordan River westward to Lower Beth Horon and south to Kirjath Jearim and along the border of Judah back to the Jordan River the east boundary.

North Border

- ✧ 12 Their border on the north side **began at the Jordan**, and the border went up to the side of **Jericho** on the north, and went up through the mountains westward; it ended at the Wilderness of **Beth Aven**. 13 The border went over from there toward **Luz**, to the side of Luz (which is **Bethel**) southward; and the border descended to **Ataroth Addar**, near the **hill that lies on the south side of Lower Beth Horon**. [Joshua 18:12-13]

West Border

- ✧ 14 Then the border extended around the west side to the south, from the hill that lies before **Beth Horon** southward; and it ended at **Kirjath Baal** (which is **Kirjath Jearim**), a city of the children of Judah. This was the west side. [Joshua 18:14]

South Border

- ✧ 15 The **south** side began at the end of **Kirjath Jearim**, and the border extended on the west and went out to the spring of the waters of **Nephtoah**. 16 Then the border came down to the end of the mountain that lies before the **Valley of the Son of Hinnom**, which is in the Valley of the Rephaim on the north, descended to the **Valley of Hinnom**, to the side of the **Jebusite** city on the south, and descended to **En Rogel**. 17 And it went around from the north, went out to **En Shemesh**, and extended toward Geliloth, which is before the **Ascent of Adummim**, and descended to the stone of **Bohan** the son of Reuben. 18 Then it passed along toward the north side of **Arabah**, and went down to **Arabah**. 19 And the border passed along to the north side of **Beth Hoglah**; then the border ended at the **north bay at the Salt Sea, at the south end of the Jordan**. This was the southern boundary. [Joshua 18:15-19]

East Border

- ✧ 20 The **Jordan was its border on the east side**. This was the inheritance of the children of Benjamin, according to its boundaries all around, according to their families. [Joshua 18:20]