

JUDEAN TOWNS OF MICAH 1

Verse	Name	Meaning
1:10	Gath	= "tell"
1:10	Beth-le-aphrah	= "house of dust"
1:11	Shaphir	= "beautiful"
1:11	Zaanan*	= "come out"
1:11	Beth-ezel*	= "house of taking away"
1:12	Maroth*	= "bitter"
1:13	Lachish	= "to the steeds"
1:14	Moresbeth-gath	= "one who is betrothed"
1:14	Achzib	= "deception"
1:15	Mareshah	= "conqueror"
1:15	Adullam	= symbolic of hostility, i.e. David's exile in 2 Sam 23:13
	* location unknown	



The focus of Micah's prophecy to the Northern Kingdom (1:1, 5, 6)

Reference to the crossing of the Jordan (5:5, cf. Jos 2-5)

Micah's hometown (1:1)

The focus of Micah's prophecy to the Southern Kingdom (1:1, 5, 9, 12; 3:10, 12; 4:2, 8)

The prophesied birthplace of the Messiah (5:2)

The Judean towns singled out for destruction by the Assyrians in 1:10-15 (see the table above & note the wordplay on each disaster)

Reference to Balak king of Moab (6:5; cf. Num 22-24)

