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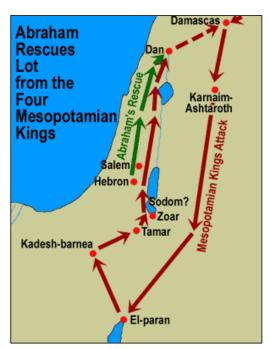
part 834, The 1947-1948 Tribe of Dan, (xxxv), The oddity of Dan being found in Genesis 14:14

Genesis 14:14-15 (KJV) And when Abram heard that his brother was taken captive, he armed his trained servants, born in his own house, three hundred and eighteen, <u>AND PURSUED THEM UNTO DAN</u>.

15 <u>AND HE DIVIDED HIMSELF AGAINST THEM</u>, he and his servants, by night, and smote them, and pursued them unto Hobah, which is on the left hand of Damascus.

Key Understanding #1: Genesis 14:14 and the timing of the naming of Dan. The tribe of Dan conquered a city named Leshem after they entered the Promised Land. They changed the name of Leshem to "Dan", after the father of the tribe. The city was located toward the northernmost end of Israel; hence the scriptural phrase to describe all of Israel became "from Dan (the north) to Beersheba (the south)." However, in Abraham's time, the city of Dan – if it indeed is the same city, and it certainly is close to the same proximity – should have still been called Leshem. This has given rise to much discussion over the true author of Genesis and the remainder of the first five books of the Bible. If the author was Moses, who died before the Israelites entered the Promised Land, and thus before Leshem was conquered to be renamed Dan, then how would he have known to give the name of "Dan" to the city or region of Abraham's battle? Thus, the argument goes, the time of the final authorship of Genesis must be later - after Leshem became known as Dan - but this falls under the assumption that the author of Genesis would not have been Moses. Or, perhaps the Spirit of the Lord gave Moses the name of Dan. Or, perhaps it is a case of editorial updating.

Joshua 19:47-48 (KJV) And the coast of the children of Dan went out too little for them: therefore the children of Dan went up to fight against Leshem, and took it, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and possessed it, and dwelt therein, and called Leshem,





Dan, after the name of Dan their father.

48 This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Dan according to their families, these cities with their villages.

Key Understanding #2: The Lord's reasons for drawing attention to Dan in Genesis 14:14. The ultimate reason for the Lord both (a) drawing Abraham to what would become known as the city of Dan to wage successful war against Chedorlaomer, and (b) drawing attention to it all even further through the issue of the city being named Dan before it was officially renamed as such, is to <u>connect Dan with war and the sword</u>.

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