

A word-search puzzle from the Bible Pages. Theme: Names and things that are somehow connected with Egypt, in the Bible.

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65 words are hidden in this puzzle. They are printed across, or up or down, or diagonally, backwards or forwards, but always in a straight line, with no letters skipped. Each letter may form a part of more than one word. All letters do not belong to words, and there is no "hidden message".



List of words (all of them have some connection with Egypt of biblical times):

AARON, ABRAM, AIGUPTOS, ASENATH, ASHER, AVEN, BAALZEPHON, BARUCH, BENJAMIN,
BROOKOFEGYPT, DAN, DEARTH, EGYPT, EPHRAIM, EXODUS, FAMINE, GAD, GOSHEN,
HAGAR, HOPHRA, ISSACHAR, ISRAELITES, JACOB, JEREMIAH, JESUS, JOHANAN, JOSEPH,
JUDAH, LANDOFHAM, LEVI, MANASSEH, MARY, MIGDOL, MIRIAM, MITSRAYIM, MOSES,
NAPHTALI, NEBUCHADNEZZAR, NECHO, NILE, NOPH, ON, PASSOVER, PATHROS, PHARAOH,
PIBESETH, PITHOM, PLAGUES, POTIPHAR, POTIPHERAN, RAHAB, RAMESES, REDSEA,
REUBEN, RIVEROFEGYPT, SARAI, SHISHAK, SIHOR, SIMEON, SLAVERY, SYENE,
TAHPANHES, ZAPHNATHPAANEAH, ZEBULON, ZOAN

(Regarding the selection of the words in this puzzle, see page 2.)

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Regarding the selection of words in this puzzle

The word “Egypt” comes from the Greek name *Aiguptos*; in the Hebrew text of the Old Testament that country is called *Mitsrayim*. All those three words are included in this puzzle. The river-name Nile is included here for the sake of simplicity, even though that name does not appear in the Bible.

A famine in the land of Canaan forced the patriarch Jacob and his sons to move to Egypt. (His other name was Israel, thence “Israelites” and “children of Israel”.) His son Joseph had come to Egypt already earlier, and had married an Egyptian woman who had born two sons. All those persons are mentioned here. Abraham and his wife are mentioned with their earlier names, because when they were in Egypt, their names had not been changed yet. His wife’s handmaid was from Egypt, and is included in this puzzle.

Even Jesus lived for a time in Egypt with his parents; consequently, their names are included in this word-maze. Moses and his brother and sister were, of course, born in Egypt. Certain things in connection with the event when Jacob’s descendants left Egypt (the Exodus), are also mentioned in this puzzle.

Some might wonder what connection certain in this puzzle mentioned persons had with Egypt. The answer is that all who are mentioned here, were in Egypt, at some time during their life. Well, it is not clear whether Nebuchadnezzar ever was personally there, but he is mentioned, because of the fulfilment of the prophecies recorded in Jeremiah 46:13 and elsewhere. Some might say, “What about Rahab?” Well, not only a certain harlot had that name, but even others.

The Egyptian town Tahpanhes where Johanan (yes, who was that?) took a group of Jews, including the prophet Jeremiah, is also mentioned here. (The Bible does not mention this, but certain ancient writers have said that the Jews stoned Jeremiah to death in that town. The article www.biblepages.net/rya121.htm has some notes on that subject.)

An article on the Exodus and the crossing of the Rea Sea: www.biblepages.net/roa062.htm

For more on the man Moses, see this article: www.biblepages.net/roa081.htm

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