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Bible Name Dictionary

Bible Name: **Baal-Zephon**

Language: **Hebrew**

Pronunciation: **bah'-al tsef-one'**

**Meaning:** The name 'Baal-Zephon' means 'Lord of the North.' It is derived from two Hebrew words. The first is 'Baal' meaning 'to marry', 'to possess', 'to own', 'to rule over' or 'to have dominion.' The second word is 'Tsaphon' meaning 'to be hidden' (in the sense of a cold and gloomy north).

Alternative meanings include: 'Baal of the North' or 'Baal of Zephon.'

Please note: The word 'Baal' generally has reference to the following descriptive meanings: 'husband', 'lord', 'master' or 'owner.' It was also used by the Canaanites as a substitute title for their god, Hadad.

\*\*\* Please see 'Baal' for additional information \*\*\*

On another note... the word 'Tsaphon' is always used to depict the northern direction as a cold, gloomy, unknown place of darkness. In ancient times... the north was thought of as a harbinger of evil. In various mythologies, the north is always thought of as the principle seat of demons.

\*\*\* Notice how enemy attacks against Israel always seem to come from the sides of the north. \*\*\*

In Canaanite mythology, the north was considered to be the place where the gods met in assembly. They would supposedly meet at a sacred location called Mt. Saphon (same as Zephon). Here Baal reigned as the supreme god. Thus... the north is generally thought of as a place of diabolical evil.