

## Shechem in Genesis and beyond (selected examples)

Genesis 12.6-7	<b>Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem</b> , to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. Then YHWH appeared to Abram, and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to YHWH, who had appeared to him.
Genesis 37.12	Now <b>[Joseph's] brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem.</b>
Joshua 20.7	So they set apart Kedesh in Galilee in the hill country of Naphtali, and <b>Shechem</b> in the hill country of Ephraim, and Kiriath-arba (that is, Hebron) in the hill country of Judah <b>[as sanctuary cities]</b> .
Joshua 24.1	Then <b>Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem</b> , and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God.
Joshua 24.32	The <b>bones of Joseph</b> , which the Israelites had brought up from Egypt, <b>were buried at Shechem</b> , in the portion of ground that Jacob had bought from the children of Hamor, the father of Shechem, for one hundred pieces of money; it became an inheritance of the descendants of Joseph.
Judges 9.1-2ff	Now <b>Abimelech son of Jerubbaal went to Shechem to his mother's kinsfolk</b> and said to them and to the whole clan of his mother's family, "Say in the hearing of all lords of Shechem, 'Which is better for you, that all seventy of the sons of Jerubbaal rule over you, or that one rule over you?' Remember also that I am your bone and your flesh."
1 Kings 12.1	<b>Rehoboam went to Shechem</b> , for all Israel had come to Shechem to make him king.
1 Kings 12.25	Then <b>Jeroboam built Shechem in the hill country of Ephraim</b> , and resided there; he went out from there and built Penuel.