

## **CHRIST CONNECTIONS MINISTRY**

Bible Name Dictionary

Bible Name: Calah Language: Hebrew Pronunciation: keh'-lakh

Name Type: Place

Meaning: The name 'Calah' means 'Completion' or 'Finished' (indicating something new). There are actually three possible meanings to this particular name, but the above meaning has the best fit. It is derived from the Hebrew root word 'Kalah' meaning 'to complete', 'to finish', or 'to accomplish' (used here in the sense of bringing a building process to its completion). This would tend to suggest something brand new, a fact that coincides with its usage in the book of Genesis. On another note, the Strong's Concordance suggests a different meaning altogether. It seems to suggest that the name 'Calah' is derived from the Hebrew word 'Kelach' meaning 'to be complete' (in the sense of maturity or old age). This is certainly a distinct possibility considering the fact that 'Calah' is an extremely old city. A third possibility exists where the name 'Calah' is directly related to the Hebrew word 'Kelah' meaning 'firm' or 'rugged' (used also in the sense of newness or youthful vigor).