

The Clans of the Descendants of Esau

36: 15-19

These were the thirteen clans among Esau's descendants. We use the term clans here because the Hebrew word *allup* means *a thousand, a company or a group*. The descendants of each son or grandson became a clan. The sons of Eliphaz the firstborn of Esau became the clans of Teman, Omar, Zepho, Kenaz, Gatam and Amalek. These were the clans descended from Eliphaz in Edom. They were the grandsons of Adah (36:15-16).

The sons of Esau's son Reuel: became the clans of Nahath, Zerah, Shammah and Mizzah. These were the clans descended from Reuel in Edom. They were the grandsons of Esau's wife Basemath (36:17).

The sons of Esau's wife Oholibamah: became the clans of Jeush, Jalam and Korah. These were the clans descended from Esau's wife Oholibamah, daughter of Anah (36:18).

These were the sons of Esau and what became of them, namely the nation of Edom, and these were their clans (36:19).