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Greek rendering Ierfal with “El has sent” (*Nom. hebr.* 28.12) and relates it to Benjamin (*Sit.* 109.26).

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Irpeel (MT *Yirpē'el* “God heals”; LXX^A *Ιερφα(α)λ*) is a town in the tribal territory of Benjamin (Josh 18:27) listed with other towns north and west of Jerusalem. Irpeel might be another name for Raphah (1Chr 8:37) or Rephaiah (1Chr 9:43), place names related to the offspring of Saul. The name Irpeel is probably preserved in the Arabic name of Rāfāt (1684.1420), a place where settlement started in the Hellenistic period. Iron Age Irpeel could be found at a nameless site nearby (1683.1437). According to some scholars Irpeel is mentioned on a city list of Ramses III (*jrp*). Jerome translates the