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- A landmass projecting conspicuously higher than hills in that area. The distinction between hills and mountains is relative. In an area of low hills a mountain may be only a few hundred feet higher than the surrounding landscape, while in more mountainous regions the lesser summits may also be called hills, even though much higher than an isolated mountain like the 562-meter (1,844 feet) Mount Tabor.
- And she proceeded to send and call Barak the son of Abinoam out of Kedesh-naphtali and to say to him; Has not Yehowah the God of Israel given the command? Go and you must spread yourself out on Mount Tabor, and you must take with you ten thousand men out of the sons of Naphtali and out of the sons of Zebulun. (Judges 4:6)
- The Hebrew word *har*, may refer to individual mountains, including, Mount Sinai, Mount Gerizim, Mount Ebal, Mount Gilboa, and Mount Zion.
- And they must prove ready for the third day, because on the third day Yehowah will come down before the eyes of all the people upon Mount Sinai. (Exodus 19:11)
- And it must occur that when Yehowah your God brings you into the land to which you are going to take possession of it, you must also give the blessing upon Mount Gerizim and the malediction upon Mount Ebal. (Deuteronomy 11:29)
- And it came about the next day that, when the Philistines came to strip the slain, they got to find Saul and his three sons fallen

upon Mount Gilboa. (1 Samuel 31:8)

- Yehowah will also certainly create over every established place of Mount Zion and over her convention place a cloud by day and a smoke, and the brightness of a flaming fire by night, because over all the glory there will be a shelter. (Isaiah 4:5)
- It may also refer to mountain ranges like that of Ararat.
- And in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, the ark came to rest on the mountains of Ararat. (Genesis 8:4)
- And to entire elevated regions like the mountainous regions of Ephraim
- At this Joshua said to them; If you are a numerous people, go your way up to the forest, and you must cut it down for yourself there in the land of the Perizzites and the Rephaim, because the mountainous region of Ephraim has become too narrow for you. (Joshua 17:15)
- · Naphtali
- Accordingly they gave a sacred status to Kedesh in Galilee in the mountainous region of Naphtali, and Shechem in the mountainous region of Ephraim, and Kiriath-arba, that is to say; Hebron, in the mountainous region of Judah. (Joshua 20:7)
- · Gilead
- And we took possession of this land at that particular time, from Aroer, which is by the torrent valley of Arnon, and half of the mountainous region of Gilead, and its cities I have given to the Reubenites and the Gadites. (Deuteronomy 3:12)
- As well as to those regions anciently occupied by the Amorites and Ammonites.
- Turn and set out on your way and go into the mountainous region of the Amorites and to all their neighbors in the Arabah, the mountainous region and the Shephelah and the Negeb and the seacoast, the land of the Canaanites, and Lebanon, up to the great river, the river Euphrates. (Deuteronomy 1:7)

- I now said to you, you have come to the mountainous region of the Amorites, which Yehowah our God is giving to us. (Deuteronomy 1:20)
- Only you did not go near the land of the sons of Ammon, the whole bank of the torrent valley of Jabbok, nor the cities of the mountainous region, nor anything about which Yehowah our God had given command. (Deuteronomy 2:37)
- The Aramaic word *tur.*
- At that time the iron, the molded clay, the copper, the silver and the gold were, all together, crushed and became like the chaff from the summer threshing floor, and the wind carried them away so that no trace at all was found of them. And as for the stone that struck the image, it became a large mountain and filled the whole earth. (Daniel 2:35)
- Designates a mountain, as does the Greek word o'ros. See articles on individual mountains by name.

... Mountains Of Palestine

- Palestine on the whole is a rather mountainous land, though it possesses few impressive peaks. West of the Jordan River there are the mountains of Judah in the south, including, Mount Moriah, Mount Zion, and the Mount of Olives.
- Finally Solomon started to build the house of Yehowah in Jerusalem on Mount Moriah, where Yehowah had appeared to David his father, in the place that David had prepared on the threshing floor of Ornan the Jebusite. (2 Chronicles 3:1)
- Pretty for loftiness, the exultation of the whole earth, is Mount Zion on the remote sides of the north, the town of the grand King. (Psalms 48:2)
- And as he was sitting on the Mount of Olives with the temple in view, Peter and James and John and Andrew began to ask him privately. (Mark 13:3)
- The central section of this range extends Northeast to Mount Gilboa.

- Now the Philistines were fighting against Israel, and the men of Israel took to flight from before the Philistines, and they kept falling down slain in Mount Gilboa. (1 Samuel 31:1)
- And contains the mountains of Ephraim and Samaria, with the historic peaks of Gerizim and Ebal.
- At the order of Yehowah they gave him the city for which he asked, namely, Timnath-serah, in the mountainous region of Ephraim, and he began to build up the city and dwell in it. (Joshua 19:50)
- And it must occur that when Yehowah your God brings you into the land to which you are going to take possession of it, you must also give the blessing upon Mount Gerizim and the malediction upon Mount Ebal. (Deuteronomy 11:29)
- To the North-Northwest the Mount Carmel Range juts out into the Mediterranean Sea.
- As I am alive, is the utterance of the King, whose name is Yehowah of armies, like Tabor among the mountains and like Carmel by the sea he will come in. (Jeremiah 46:18)
- The Valley of Jezreel, Esdraelon, divides the primary range from a second range farther North. This latter range includes Mount Tabor.
- And she proceeded to send and call Barak the son of Abinoam out of Kedesh-naphtali and to say to him; Has not Yehowah the God of Israel given the command? Go and you must spread yourself out on Mount Tabor, and you must take with you ten thousand men out of the sons of Naphtali and out of the sons of Zebulun. (Judges 4:6)
- And the coastal chain of Lebanon Mountains.
- The five axis lords of the Philistines, and all the Canaanites, even the Sidonians and the Hivites inhabiting Mount Lebanon from Mount Baal-hermon as far as to the entering in of Hamath. (Judges 3:3)
- And now command that they cut for me cedars from Lebanon, and my servants themselves will prove to be with your servants, and the wages of your servants I shall give to you according to

all that you may say, for you yourself well know that there is among us no one knowing how to cut trees like the Sidonians. (1 Kings 5:6)

- East of the Rift Valley are the plateaus of Edom and Moab.
- And now here the sons of Ammon, and Moab and the mountainous region of Seir, whom you did not allow Israel to invade when they were coming out of the land of Egypt, but they turned away from them and did not annihilate them. (2 Chronicles 20:10)
- And the high cliffs along the eastern side of the Dead Sea, including Mount Nebo from which Moses viewed the Promised Land, as well as the tableland East of the Jordan Valley, which averages about 600 meters (2,000 feet) in elevation.
- All the cities of the tableland and all Gilead and all Bashan as far as Salecah and Edrei, the cities of the kingdom of Og in Bashan. (Deuteronomy 3:10)
- Then Moses proceeded to go up from the desert plains of Moab into Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which fronts toward Jericho. And Yehowah went showing him all the land, Gilead as far as Dan. (Deuteronomy 34:1)
- And all Naphtali and the land of Ephraim and Manasseh and all the land of Judah as far as the western sea. (Deuteronomy 34:2)
- And the Negeb and the District, the valley plain of Jericho, the city of the palm trees, as far as Zoar. (Deuteronomy 34:3)
- With the other half tribe the Reubenites and the Gadites took their inheritance that Moses gave them on the side of the Jordan toward the east, just as Moses the servant of Yehowah had given them. (Joshua 13:8)
- From Aroer, which is on the bank of the torrent valley of Arnon, and the city that is in the middle of the torrent valley, and all the tableland of Medeba as far as Dibon. (Joshua 13:9)
- And in the region of the Jordan, at Jericho, toward the east they gave Bezer in the wilderness on the tableland out of the tribe of Reuben, and Ramoth in Gilead out of the tribe of Gad, and Golan

in Bashan out of the tribe of Manasseh. (Joshua 20:8)

- This mountainous region continues northward to meet the Anti-Lebanon Range, with its majestic Mount Hermon, the highest peak in the entire Palestinian region.
- With me from Lebanon, O bride, with me from Lebanon may you come. May you descend from the top of Anti-Lebanon, from the top of Senir, even Hermon, from the lairs of lions, from the mountains of leopards. (Song of Solomon 4:8)

· · Value Of Mountains

- Mountains influence the climate and rainfall, they collect the water and channel it down to the rivers or hold it in underground reservoirs that feed springs in the valleys below.
- For Yehowah your God is bringing you into a good land, a land of torrent valleys of water, springs and watery deeps issuing forth in the valley plain and in the mountainous region. (Deuteronomy 8:7)
- Their slopes have supported trees.
- As for ourselves, we shall cut down trees from Lebanon according to all your need, and we shall bring them to you as rafts by sea to Joppa, and you, for your part, will take them up to Jerusalem. (2 Chronicles 2:16)
- So he made seventy thousand of them burden bearers and eighty thousand cutters in the mountain and three thousand six hundred overseers for keeping the people in service. (2 Chronicles 2:18)
- Vineyards, and various crops.
- There will come to be plenty of grain on the earth, on the top of the mountains there will be an overflow. His fruit will be as in Lebanon, and those who are from the city will blossom like the vegetation of the earth. (Psalms 72:16)
- The green grass has departed, and the new grass has appeared, and the vegetation of the mountains has been gathered. (Proverbs 27:25)

- And it must occur in that day that every place where there used to be a thousand vines, worth a thousand pieces of silver, will come to be, for the thornbushes and for the weeds it will come to be. (Isaiah 7:23)
- With arrows and the bow he will come there, because all the land will become mere thornbushes and weeds. (Isaiah 7:24)
- And all the mountains that used to be cleared of troublesome plants with a hoe, you will not come there for fear of thornbushes and weeds, and it will certainly become a place for letting bulls loose and a trampling ground of sheep. (Isaiah 7:25)
- You will yet plant vineyards in the mountains of Samaria. The planters will certainly plant and start to use them. (Jeremiah 31:5)
- Their higher elevations have served as threshing floors.
- The national groups themselves will make a din just like the noise of many waters. And He will certainly rebuke it, and it must flee far away and be chased like the chaff of the mountains before a wind and like a thistle whirl before a storm wind. (Isaiah 17:13)
- Mountains have accorded natural protection from invading armies.
- Jerusalem, as mountains are all around it, so Yehowah is all around his people from now on and to time indefinite. (Psalms 125:2)
- They have offered refuge and storage places in time of danger.
- And it came about that, as soon as they had brought them forth to the outskirts, he began to say; Escape for your soul! Do not look behind you and do not stand still in all the District! Escape to the mountainous region for fear you may be swept away! (Genesis 19:17)
- Later Lot went up from Zoar and began dwelling in the mountainous region, and his two daughters along with him, because he got afraid of dwelling in Zoar. So he began dwelling

in a cave, he and his two daughters. (Genesis 19:30)

- And the hand of Midian came to prevail over Israel. Due to Midian the sons of Israel made for themselves the underground store places that were in the mountains, and the caves and the places difficult to approach. (Judges 6:2)
- Then let those in Judea begin fleeing to the mountains. (Matthew 24:16)
- And the kings of the earth and the top-ranking ones and the military commanders and the rich and the strong ones and every slave and every free person hid themselves in the caves and in the rock-masses of the mountains. (Revelation 6:15)
- And shelter for wildlife.
- For to me belongs every wild animal of the forest, the beasts upon a thousand mountains. (Psalms 50:10)
- I well know every winged creature of the mountains, and the animal throngs of the open field are with me. (Psalms 50:11)
- The high mountains are for the mountain goats, the crags are a refuge for the rock badgers. (Psalms 104:18)
- They will be left all together for the bird of prey of the mountains and for the beast of the earth. And upon it the bird of prey will certainly pass the summer, and upon it even every beast of the earth will pass the harvesttime. (Isaiah 18:6)
- They have provided sites for cities.
- You are the light of the world. A city cannot be hid when situated upon a mountain (Matthew 5:14)
- Mining operations have yielded useful ores.
- A land in which you will not eat bread with scarcity, in which you will lack nothing, a land the stones of which are iron and out of the mountains of which you will mine copper. (Deuteronomy 8:9)
- Also, valuable building stones have been quarried from mountains.

- And Solomon came to have seventy thousand burden bearers and eighty thousand cutters in the mountain. (1 Kings 5:15)
- Besides Solomon's princely deputies who were over the work, three thousand three hundred foremen over the people who were active in the work. (1 Kings 5:16)
- Accordingly the king commanded that they should quarry great stones, expensive stones, to lay the foundation of the house with hewn stones. (1 Kings 5:17)

·· Yehowah's Possession

- All mountains belong to Yehowah God by reason of his being their Former.
- He in whose hand are the inmost depths of the earth and to whom the peaks of the mountains belong. (Psalms 95:4)
- For, look! The Former of the mountains and the Creator of the wind, and the One telling to earthling man what his mental concern is, the One making dawn into obscurity, and the One treading on earth's high places, Yehowah the God of armies is his name. (Amos 4:13)
- However, the words, mountain of Yehowah or of God often apply in a special way to mountains where Yehowah revealed his presence. These include Mount Sinai or Horeb.
- And Moses became a shepherd of the flock of Jethro, the priest of Midian, whose son-in-law he was. While he was driving the flock to the west side of the wilderness, he came at length to the mountain of the true God, to Horeb. (Exodus 3:1)
- So they went marching from the mountain of Yehowah for a journey of three days, and the ark of Yehowah's covenant was marching before them for a journey of three days to search out a resting-place for them. (Numbers 10:33)
- And the mountain associated with Yehowah's sanctuary.
- Who may ascend into the mountain of Yehowah, and who may rise up in his holy place? (Psalms 24:3)

·· Figurative And Prophetic Use

- Sometimes the term, mountain, applies to the soil, vegetation, and trees on the mountains surface.
- Like a fire that burns up the forest and like a flame that scorches the mountains. (Psalms 83:14)
- Of Yehowah, the psalmist says; He touches the mountains, and they smoke.
- He is looking at the earth, and it trembles, he touches the mountains, and they smoke. (Psalms 104:32)
- O Yehowah, bend down your heavens that you may descend, touch the mountains that they may smoke. (Psalms 144:5)
- Lighten with lightning that you may scatter them, send out your arrows that you may throw them into confusion. (Psalms 144:6)
- This may point to the fact that lightning can set mountain forests on fire, thereby causing a mountain to smoke. The effects of a severe storm appear to be described when the Bible speaks of mountains melting or flowing away.
- Mountains flowed away from the face of Yehowah, this Sinai away from the face of Yehowah, Israel's God. (Judges 5:5)
- The mountains themselves proceeded to melt just like wax on account of Yehowah, on account of the Lord of the whole earth. (Psalms 97:5)
- Heavy rains produce streams and raging torrents that wash the soil away, as if melting it. Similarly, the expression of Yehowah's anger against the nations was foretold to result in such slaughter that the blood of the slain would melt the mountains, that is, wash the soil away.
- Come up close, you nations, to hear, and you national groups, pay attention. Let the earth and that which fills it listen, the productive land and all its produce. (Isaiah 34:1)
- For Yehowah has indignation against all the nations, and rage

- against all their army. He must devote them to destruction, he must give them to the slaughter. (Isaiah 34:2)
- And their slain ones will be thrown out, and as for their carcasses, their stink will ascend, and the mountains must melt because of their blood. (Isaiah 34:3)
- For mountains to drip with sweet wine means that the vineyards occupying their slopes would produce abundantly.
- And it must occur in that day that the mountains will drip with sweet wine, and the very hills will flow with milk, and the very streambeds of Judah will all flow with water. And out of the house of Yehowah there will go forth a spring, and it must irrigate the torrent valley of the Acacia Trees. (Joel 3:18)
- Look! There are days coming, is the utterance of Yehowah; and the plowman will actually overtake the harvester, and the treader of grapes, the carrier of the seed, and the mountains must drip with sweet wine, and the very hills will all find themselves melting. (Amos 9:13)
- At Mount Sinai the revelation of Yehowah's presence was attended by such physical manifestations as lightning, smoke, and fire. Also the mountain trembled.
- And on the third day when it became morning it came about that thunders and lightnings began occurring, and a heavy cloud upon the mountain and a very loud sound of a horn, so that all the people who were in the camp began to tremble. (Exodus 19:16)
- Moses now brought the people out of the camp to meet the true God, and they went taking their stand at the base of the mountain. (Exodus 19:17)
- And Mount Sinai smoked all over, due to the fact that Yehowah came down upon it in fire, and its smoke kept ascending like the smoke of a kiln, and the whole mountain was trembling very much. (Exodus 19:18)
- Now all the people were seeing the thunders and the lightning flashes and the sound of the horn and the mountain smoking. When the people got to see it, then they quivered and stood at a distance. (Exodus 20:18)

- After that I turned and went down from the mountain, while the mountain was burning with fire, and the two tablets of the covenant were in both my hands. (Deuteronomy 9:15)
- It appears that this and other physical phenomena provide the basis for figurative expressions found elsewhere in the Bible.
- O if only you had ripped the heavens apart, that you had come down, that on account of you the very mountains had quaked. (Isaiah 64:1)
- As when a fire ignites the brushwood, and the fire makes the very water boil up, in order to make your name known to your adversaries, that on account of you the nations might be agitated! (Isaiah 64:2)
- When you did fear-inspiring things for which we could not hope, you came down. On account of you the mountains themselves quaked. (Isaiah 64:3)
- The trembling of Mount Sinai evidently is referred to under the figure of mountains skipping about like rams.
- The mountains themselves skipped about like rams, the hills like lambs. (Psalms 114:4)
- O mountains, that you went skipping about like rams, o hills, like lambs? (Psalms 114:6)
- Setting the foundations of mountains ablaze perhaps alludes to volcanic activity.
- For a fire has been ignited in my anger and it will burn down to Sheol, the lowest place, and it will consume the earth and its produce and will set ablaze the foundations of mountains. (Deuteronomy 32:22)
- And the foundations of the mountains becoming agitated refers to their shaking, possibly caused by an earthquake.
- And the earth began to shake and rock, and the foundations of the mountains themselves became agitated, and they kept shaking back and forth because he had been angered. (Psalms

·· Represent Governments

- In Biblical symbolism mountains can represent kingdoms or ruling governments.
- At that time the iron, the molded clay, the copper, the silver and the gold were, all together, crushed and became like the chaff from the summer threshing floor, and the wind carried them away so that no trace at all was found of them. And as for the stone that struck the image, it became a large mountain and filled the whole earth. (Daniel 2:35)
- And in the days of those kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom that will never be brought to ruin. And the kingdom itself will not be passed on to any other people. It will crush and put an end to all these kingdoms, and it itself will stand to times indefinite. (Daniel 2:44)
- Forasmuch as you beheld that out of the mountain a stone was cut not by hands, and that it crushed the iron, the copper, the molded clay, the silver and the gold. The grand God himself has made known to the king what is to occur after this. And the dream is reliable, and the interpretation of it is trustworthy. (Daniel 2:45)
- Look! I have made you a threshing sledge, a new threshing instrument having double-edged teeth. You will tread down the mountains and crush them, and the hills you will make just like the chaff. (Isaiah 41:15)
- Here is where the intelligence that has wisdom comes in. The seven heads mean seven mountains, where the woman sits on top. (Revelation 17:9)
- And there are seven kings, five have fallen, one is, the other has not yet arrived, but when he does arrive he must remain a short while. (Revelation 17:10)
- And the wild beast that was but is not, it is also itself an eighth king, but springs from the seven, and it goes off into destruction. (Revelation 17:11)

- And the woman whom you saw means the great city that has a kingdom over the kings of the earth. (Revelation 17:18)
- Babylon, by her military conquests, brought other lands to ruin and is, therefore, called a ruinous mountain.
- And I will pay back to Babylon and to all the inhabitants of Chaldea all their badness that they have committed in Zion before the eyes of you people, is the utterance of Yehowah. (Jeremiah 51:24)
- Here I am against you, O ruinous mountain, is the utterance of Yehowah, you ruiner of the whole earth, and I will stretch out my hand against you and roll you away from the crags and make you a burnt-out mountain. (Jeremiah 51:25)
- A Psalms relating Yehowah's activities against warring men depicts him as being, enveloped with light, more majestic than the mountains of prey.
- You are enveloped with light, more majestic than the mountains of prey. (Psalms 76:4)
- The mountains of prey may represent aggressive kingdoms.
- Where is the lair of lions, and the cave that belongs to the maned young lions, where the lion walked and entered, where the lion's cub was, and no one was making them tremble? (Nahum 2:11)
- The lion was tearing to pieces enough for his whelps, and was strangling for his lionesses. And he kept his holes filled with prey and his hiding places with animals torn to pieces. (Nahum 2:12)
- Look! I am against you, is the utterance of Yehowah of armies, and I will burn up her war chariot in the smoke. And a sword will devour your own maned young lions. And I will cut off from the earth your prey, and no more will the voice of your messengers be heard. (Nahum 2:13)
- Regarding Yehowah, David said; You have made my mountain to stand in strength, probably meaning that Yehowah had exalted David's kingdom and firmly established it.
- O Yehowah, in your goodwill you have made my mountain to

- stand in strength. You concealed your face. I became one that is disturbed. (Psalms 30:7)
- And David came to know that Yehowah had firmly established him as king over Israel and that he had exalted his kingdom for the sake of his people Israel. (2 Samuel 5:12)
- The fact that mountains may represent kingdoms aids one in understanding the significance of what is described at;
- And the second angel blew his trumpet. And something like a great mountain burning with fire was hurled into the sea. And a third of the sea became blood. (Revelation 8:8)
- As something like a great mountain burning with fire. Its resemblance to a burning mountain would suggest that it is associated with a form of rulership having a destructive nature like fire.
- The prophecy of Daniel indicated that God's Kingdom, after crushing all other kingdoms, would become a large mountain and fill the whole earth.
- You kept on looking until a stone was cut out not by hands, and it struck the image on its feet of iron and of molded clay and crushed them. (Daniel 2:34)
- At that time the iron, the molded clay, the copper, the silver and the gold were, all together, crushed and became like the chaff from the summer threshing floor, and the wind carried them away so that no trace at all was found of them. And as for the stone that struck the image, it became a large mountain and filled the whole earth. (Daniel 2:35)
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- This meant that it would extend its blessed rule over the entire earth. Wrote the psalmist.
- Let the mountains carry peace to the people, also the hills, through righteousness. (Psalms 72:3)
- In harmony with this psalm, the blessings that are spoken of in connection with God's mountain, such as Yehowah's banquet for all the peoples, would be experienced on earth.
- And Yehowah of armies will certainly make for all the peoples, in this mountain, a banquet of well-oiled dishes, a banquet of wine kept on the dregs, of well-oiled dishes filled with marrow, of wine kept on the dregs, filtered. (Isaiah 25:6)
- They will not do any harm or cause any ruin in all my holy mountain, because the earth will certainly be filled with the knowledge of Yehowah as the waters are covering the very sea. (Isaiah 11:9)
- The wolf and the lamb themselves will feed as one, and the lion will eat straw just like the bull, and as for the serpent, his food will be dust. They will do no harm nor cause any ruin in all my holy mountain, Yehowah has said. (Isaiah 65:25)

.. Associated With Worship

- Mount Zion became a holy mountain when David brought the sacred Ark to the tent that he had pitched there.
- Finally the report was made to King David, saying; Yehowah has blessed the house of Obed-edom and all that is his on account of the ark of the true God. At that David proceeded to go and bring the ark of the true God out of the house of Obed-edom up to the City of David with rejoicing. (2 Samuel 6:12)
- So they brought the ark of Yehowah in and set it in its place inside the tent that David had pitched for it, after which David offered up burnt sacrifices and communion sacrifices before Yehowah. (2 Samuel 6:17)

- As the Ark was associated with Yehowah's presence and David had evidently acted at divine direction.
- But to the place that Yehowah your God will choose out of all your tribes to place his name there, to have it reside, you will seek, and there you must come. (Deuteronomy 12:5)
- This meant that Yehowah had chosen Mount Zion as his place of dwelling. With reference to this choosing, David wrote; The mountainous region of Bashan is a mountain of God that is, created by God, the mountainous region of Bashan is a mountain of peaks.
- Why do you, O you mountains of peaks, keep watching enviously the mountain that God has desired for himself to dwell in? Even Yehowah himself will reside there forever. Yehowah himself has come from Sinai, where he first revealed his presence to the entire nation of Israel, into the holy place.
- The mountainous region of Bashan is a mountain of God, the mountainous region of Bashan is a mountain of peaks. (Psalms 68:15)
- Why do you, O you mountains of peaks, keep watching enviously the mountain that God has desired for himself to dwell in? Even Yehowah himself will reside there forever. (Psalms 68:16)
- The war chariots of God are in tens of thousands, thousands over and over again. Yehowah himself has come from Sinai into the holy place. (Psalms 68:17)
- The mountainous region of Bashan may be identified with Mount Hauran, Jebel ed Druz, and this mountain range may be meant by the words the mountain of God and the mountain of peaks.
- Although Mount Hauran towers far above Mount Zion, Yehowah chose the less conspicuous location for his place of dwelling.
- After the temple was built on Mount Moriah, the term, Zion, came to include the temple site, and therefore Zion remained God's holy mountain.
- Look! I and the children whom Yehowah has given me are as signs and as miracles in Israel from Yehowah of armies, who is residing in Mount Zion. (Isaiah 8:18)

- In that time a gift will be brought to Yehowah of armies, from a people drawn out and scoured, even from a people fear-inspiring everywhere, a nation of tensile strength and of treading down, whose land the rivers have washed away, to the place of the name of Yehowah of armies, Mount Zion. (Isaiah 18:7)
- And the full moon has become abashed, and the glowing sun has become ashamed, for Yehowah of armies has become king in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem and in front of his elderly men with glory. (Isaiah 24:23)
- And you people will have to know that I am Yehowah your God, residing in Zion my holy mountain. And Jerusalem must become a holy place, and as regards strangers, they will no more pass through her. (Joel 3:17)
- Since Yehowah's temple was located at Jerusalem, the city itself was also called his holy mountain.
- And they will actually bring all your brothers out of all the nations as a gift to Yehowah, on horses and in chariots and in covered wagons and on mules and on swift she-camels, up to my holy mountain, Jerusalem, Yehowah has said, just as when the sons of Israel bring the gift in a clean vessel into the house of Yehowah. (Isaiah 66:20)
- O Yehowah, according to all your acts of righteousness, please, may your anger and your rage turn back from your city Jerusalem, your holy mountain, for, because of our sins and because of the errors of our forefathers, Jerusalem and your people are an object of reproach to all those round about us. (Daniel 9:16)
- While I was yet speaking and praying and confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel and letting my request for favor fall before Yehowah my God concerning the holy mountain of my God. (Daniel 9:20)
- It may be with reference to facing the mountains of Jerusalem when praying that the psalmist said; I shall raise my eyes to the mountains. From where will my help come? My help is from Yehowah.
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come? (Psalms 121:1)

- My help is from Yehowah, the Maker of heaven and earth.(Psalms 121:2)
- With my voice I shall call to Yehowah himself, and he will answer me from his holy mountain. (Psalms 3:4)
- And you must listen to the request for favor on the part of your servant and of your people Israel with which they pray toward this place, and may you yourself hear at the place of your dwelling, in the heavens, and you must hear and forgive. (1 Kings 8:30)
- In case your people go out to the war against their enemy in the way that you send them, and they indeed pray to Yehowah in the direction of the city that you have chosen and the house that I have built to your name. (1 Kings 8:44)
- You must also hear from the heavens their prayer and their request for favor, and you must execute judgment for them. (1 Kings 8:45)
- But Daniel, as soon as he knew that the writing had been signed, entered into his house, and, the windows in his roof chamber being open for him toward Jerusalem, even three times in a day he was kneeling on his knees and praying and offering praise before his God, as he had been regularly doing prior to this. (Daniel 6:10)
- The prophecy of;
- And it must occur in the final part of the days that the mountain of the house of Yehowah will become firmly established above the top of the mountains, and it will certainly be lifted up above the hills, and to it all the nations must stream. (Isaiah 2:2)
- And many peoples will certainly go and say; Come, you people, and let us go up to the mountain of Yehowah, to the house of the God of Jacob, and he will instruct us about his ways, and we will walk in his paths. For out of Zion Law will go forth, and the word of Yehowah out of Jerusalem. (Isaiah 2:3)
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- Pointed to the time when the mountain of the house of Yehowah would become firmly established above the top of the mountains and be lifted up above the hills, with people of many nations streaming to it.
- The fact that the mountain of the house of Yehowah was to be above mountains and hills would point to the exalted position of true worship, for mountains and hills in ancient times served as sites for idolatrous worship and for sanctuaries of false gods.
- You should absolutely destroy all the places where the nations whom you are dispossessing have served their gods, on the tall mountains and the hills and under every luxuriant tree.

 (Deuteronomy 12:2)
- And Yehowah proceeded to say to me in the days of Josiah the king; Have you seen what unfaithful Israel has done? She is going upon every high mountain and underneath every luxuriant tree, that she may commit prostitution there. (Jeremiah 3:6)
- On the mountains he did not eat and his eyes he did not raise to the dungy idols of the house of Israel, and his companion's wife he did not defile and to a woman in her impurity he would not go near. (Ezekiel 18:6)
- But he himself has done none of these very things, in case he has eaten also upon the mountains, and his companion's wife he has defiled. (Ezekiel 18:11)
- On the mountains he has not eaten, and his eyes he has not lifted up to the dungy idols of the house of Israel, his companion's wife he has not defiled. (Ezekiel 18:15)
- On the tops of the mountains they sacrifice, and on the hills they

make sacrificial smoke, under massive tree and storax tree and big tree, because its shade is good. That is why your daughters commit fornication and your own daughters-in-law commit adultery. (Hosea 4:13)

- In a typical fulfillment, between 29 C.E. and 70 C.E, during the final part of the days of the Jewish system of things, Yehowah's worship was exalted above the lofty elevation that pagan nations gave to their false gods.
- The King, Jesus Christ, made a breakthrough in elevating the true worship, and he was followed, first by a remnant of the nation of Israel and then by people from all nations.
- And it must occur in the final part of the days that the mountain of the house of Yehowah will become firmly established above the top of the mountains, and it will certainly be lifted up above the hills, and to it all the nations must stream. (Isaiah 2:2)
- The one making a breakthrough will certainly come up before them, they will actually break through. And they will pass through a gate, and they will go out by it. And their king will pass through before them, with Yehowah at the head of them. (Micah 2:13)
- At this Peter opened his mouth and said; For a certainty I perceive that God is not partial. (Acts of Apostles 10:34)
- But in every nation the man that fears him and works righteousness is acceptable to him. (Acts of Apostles 10:35)
- In an antitypical fulfillment, in the final part of the days of this system of things, Yehowah's worship has been elevated heaven high. The King, Jesus Christ, has led the remnant of Spiritual Israel to pure worship, and they have been followed by a great crowd out of all nations.
- After these things I saw, and, look! A great crowd, which no man was able to number, out of all nations and tribes and peoples and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, dressed in white robes, and there were palm branches in their hands. (Revelation 7:9)

- At times mountains represent obstacles. For example, the obstacles that stood in the way of Israel's returning from Babylonian exile and those that later prevented progress in the temple rebuilding work were compared to mountains.
- Comfort, comfort my people, says the God of you men. (Isaiah 40:1)
- Speak to the heart of Jerusalem and call out to her that her military service has been fulfilled, that her error has been paid off. For from the hand of Yehowah she has received a full amount for all her sins. (Isaiah 40:2)
- Listen! Someone is calling out in the wilderness; Clear up the way of Yehowah, you people! Make the highway for our God through the desert plain straight. (Isaiah 40:3)
- Let every valley be raised up, and every mountain and hill be made low. And the knobby ground must become level land, and the rugged ground a valley plain. (Isaiah 40:4)
- Who are you, O great mountain? Before Zerubbabel you will become a level land. And he will certainly bring forth the headstone. There will be shoutings to it; How charming! How charming! (Zechariah 4:7)
- Faith can move similar mountainous obstacles and, if it be God's will, even literal mountains.
- He said to them; Because of your little faith. For truly I say to you, if you have faith the size of a mustard grain, you will say to this mountain; Transfer from here to there. And it will transfer, and nothing will be impossible for you. (Matthew 17:20)
- In answer Jesus said to them; Truly I say to you, if only you have faith and do not doubt, not only will you do what I did to the fig tree, but also if you say to this mountain; Be lifted up and cast into the sea, it will happen. (Matthew 21:21)
- Truly I say to you that whoever tells this mountain; Be lifted up and thrown into the sea, and does not doubt in his heart but has faith that what he says is going to occur, he will have it so. (Mark 11:23)

And if I have the gift of prophesying and am acquainted with all the sacred secrets and all knowledge, and if I have all the faith so as to transplant mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. (1 Corinthians 13:2)

·· Stability, Permanence, Loftiness

- Stability and permanence are ascribed to the mountains.
- For the mountains themselves may be removed, and the very hills may stagger, but my loving-kindness itself will not be removed from you, nor will my covenant of peace itself stagger, Yehowah, the One having mercy upon you, has said. (Isaiah 54:10)
- He stood still, that he might shake up the earth. He saw, and then caused nations to leap. And the eternal mountains got to be smashed, the indefinitely lasting hills bowed down. The walkings of long ago are his. (Habakkuk 3:6)
- That is why we shall not fear, though the earth undergo change and though the mountains totter into the heart of the vast sea. (Psalms 46:2)
- Therefore, when the psalmist spoke of Yehowah's righteousness as being like mountains of God.
- Your righteousness is like mountains of God; Your judicial decision is a vast watery deep. Man and beast you save, O Yehowah. (Psalms 36:6)
- He may have meant that Yehowah's righteousness is immovable. Or, since mountains are lofty, this may point to the fact that God's righteousness by far transcends that of man.
- For the thoughts of you people are not my thoughts, nor are my ways your ways, is the utterance of Yehowah. (Isaiah 55:8)
- For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so my ways are higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts. (Isaiah 55:9)

- In connection with the outpouring of the seventh bowl of God's anger.
- Also, every island fled, and mountains were not found. (Revelation 16:20)
- Says; Mountains were not found. This suggests that not even things as lofty as mountains would escape the outpouring of God's anger.
- I saw the land, and, look! It was empty and waste, and into the heavens, and their light was no more. (Jeremiah 4:23)
- I saw the mountains, and, look! They were rocking, and the hills themselves were all given a shaking. (Jeremiah 4:24)
- I saw, and, look! There was not an earthling man, and the flying creatures of the heavens had all fled. (Jeremiah 4:25)
- I saw, and, look! The orchard itself was a wilderness, and the very cities of it had all been torn down. It was because of Yehowah, because of his burning anger. (Jeremiah 4:26)

" The Mountains Rejoice And Praise Yehowah

- When Yehowah turns his favorable attention to his people, this has a good effect upon the land. Cultivated and cared for, mountain slopes cease to have an unkempt appearance, as if mourning in a state of desolation or plague. Therefore, figuratively, the mountains cry out joyfully and their beauty and productivity praise Yehowah.
- Let the rivers themselves clap their hands, all together let the very mountains cry out joyfully. (Psalms 98:8)
- Praise Yehowah from the earth, you sea monsters and all you watery deeps. (Psalms 148:7)
- You fire and hail, snow and thick smoke, you tempestuous wind, accomplishing his word. (Psalms 148:8)
- You mountains and all you hills, you fruit trees and all you cedars. (Psalms 148:9)
- Joyfully cry out, you heavens, for Yehowah has taken action!

Shout in triumph, all you lowest parts of the earth! Become cheerful, you mountains, with joyful outcry, you forest and all you trees in it! For Yehowah has repurchased Jacob, and on Israel he shows his beauty. (Isaiah 44:23)

- Give a glad cry, you heavens, and be joyful, you earth. Let the mountains become cheerful with a glad outcry. For Yehowah has comforted his people, and he shows pity upon his own afflicted ones. (Isaiah 49:13)
- For with rejoicing you people will go forth, and with peace you will be brought in. The mountains and the hills themselves will become cheerful before you with a joyful outcry, and the very trees of the field will all clap their hands. (Isaiah 55:12)
- Instead of the thicket of thorns the juniper tree will come up.
 Instead of the stinging nettle the myrtle tree will come up. And it must become for Yehowah something famous, a sign to time indefinite that will not be cut off. (Isaiah 55:13)
- And as for you, O son of man, prophesy concerning the mountains of Israel, and you must say; O mountains of Israel, hear the word of Yehowah. (Ezekiel 36:1)
- This is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah has said; For the reason that the enemy has said against you; Aha! Even the high places of old time as a possession it has become ours! (Ezekiel 36:2)
- Therefore prophesy, and you must say; This is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah has said; For the reason, even for the reason that there has been a lying desolate and a snapping at you from all sides, in order for you to become a possession to the remaining ones of the nations and you continue being talked about with the tongue and there is a bad report among people. (Ezekiel 36:3)
- Therefore, O mountains of Israel, hear the word of the Sovereign Lord Yehowah! This is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah has said to the mountains and to the hills, to the streambeds and to the valleys and to the devastated places that were laid desolate and to the abandoned cities that have come to be for plunder and for ridicule to the remaining ones of the nations that are round about. (Ezekiel 36:4)

- Therefore this is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah has said; Certainly in the fire of my zeal I will speak against the remaining ones of the nations and against Edom, all of it, those who have given my land to themselves as a possession with the rejoicing of all the heart, with scorn in the soul, for the sake of its pasture ground and for the plunder. (Ezekiel 36:5)
- Therefore prophesy concerning the soil of Israel, and you must say to the mountains and to the hills, to the streambeds and to the valleys; This is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah has said; Look! I myself in my zeal and in my rage must speak, for the reason that humiliation by nations is what you have borne. (Ezekiel 36:6)
- Therefore this is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah has said; I myself have raised my hand in an oath that the nations that you have round about, they themselves will bear their own humiliation. (Ezekiel 36:7)
- And you yourselves, O mountains of Israel, will give forth your very own boughs and bear your own fruitage for my people Israel, for they have drawn near to the point of coming in. (Ezekiel 36:8)
- For here I am in favor of you, and I shall certainly turn toward you, and you will actually be cultivated and sown with seed. (Ezekiel 36:9)
- And I will multiply upon you humankind, the whole house of Israel, all of it, and the cities must become inhabited, and the devastated places themselves will be rebuilt. (Ezekiel 36:10)
- Yes, I will multiply upon you humankind and animalkind, and they will certainly multiply and become fruitful, and I shall actually cause you to be inhabited as in your former condition and I will do more good than in your initial state, and you will have to know that I am Yehowah. (Ezekiel 36:11)
- And upon you I will cause humankind to walk, even my people Israel, and they must take possession of you, and you must become a hereditary possession to them, and you will not bereave them again of any more children. (Ezekiel 36:12)