

## ~NIMRIM (57)

(Nim'rim) [possibly, Leopards]

- In prophecies directed against Moab, both Isaiah and Jeremiah refer to the **waters of Nimrim**.
- My own heart cries out over Moab himself. The runaways thereof are as far along as Zoar and Eglath-shelishiyah. For on the ascent of Luhith, with weeping each one goes up on it, for on the way to Horonaim they arouse the outcry about the catastrophe. (**Isaiah 15:5**)
- For the very waters of **Nimrim** become sheer desolations. For the green grass has dried up, the grass has come to an end, nothing has become green. (**Isaiah 15:6**)
- That is why the leftovers and their stored goods that they have put up, they keep carrying them away right over the torrent valley of the poplars. (**Isaiah 15:7**)
- For the outcry has gone around the territory of Moab. The howling thereof is clear to Eglaim, the howling thereof is clear to Beer-elim. (**Isaiah 15:8**)
- Because the very waters of Dimon have become full of blood. For upon Dimon I shall place additional things, such as a lion for the escapees of Moab who escape and for the remaining ones of the ground. (**Isaiah 15:9**)
- From the cry in Heshbon clear to Elealeh, clear to Jahaz they have given forth their voice, from Zoar clear to Horonaim, to Eglath-shelishiyah, for even the waters of **Nimrim** themselves will become mere desolations. (**Jeremiah 48:34**)
- And I will cause to cease from Moab, is the utterance of Yehowah, the one bringing up an offering upon the high place and the one making sacrificial smoke to his god. (**Jeremiah 48:35**)
- On the basis of the fertility of the surrounding region, some identify the waters of **Nimrim** with the **Wadi Nimrin**, whose waters flow into the Jordan North of the Dead Sea.

- The order in which places are named in the prophecies, however, seems to indicate a location in the South of Moab. Thus many prefer identification with the **Wadi en-Numeirah**, which flows down into the Southeast end of the Dead Sea about 17 kilometers (11 miles) West-Southwest of Karak.
- The prophecies foretell that these waters will become mere desolations, either in a figurative sense because of the desolating of the land or perhaps because of a damming up of their streams by enemy forces.

**See Also BETH-NIMRAH**