~WATCHTOWER (75)

- A place of lookout or post of observation, often built on a city wall. Other watchtowers were constructed in wilderness areas or on frontiers.
- They were principally designed for military purposes and served to protect a city or a boundary, they were also constructed as places of refuge for shepherds and farmers in isolated areas and enabled a watchman to warn of marauders so that flocks and ripening crops in the area might be protected.
- But as for Judah, it came to the watchtower of the wilderness. When they turned their faces toward the crowd, why, there they were, their carcasses fallen to the earth without anyone escaping. (2 Chronicles 20:24)
- And he proceeded to call out like a lion; Upon the watchtower, O Yehowah, I am standing constantly by day, and at my guardpost I am stationed all the nights. (Isaiah 21:8)
- For the dwelling tower itself has been forsaken, the very hubbub of the city has been abandoned. Ophel and the watchtower themselves have become bare fields, for time indefinite the exultation of zebras, the pasture of droves. (Isaiah 32:14)

See Also TOWER

- A number of cities were named Mizpeh, Hebrew, mits-peh', Watchtower, probably because of being on high elevations or because of notable towers erected there. Sometimes the Bible distinguished these cities by naming their location, as, Mizpeh of Gilead.
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- A pile of stones was set up by Jacob and called, Galeed, meaning Witness Heap, and The Watchtower. Laban then said; Let Yehowah keep watch between me and you when we are situated unseen the one from the other.
- Accordingly Jacob took a stone and set it up as a pillar. (Genesis 31:45)
- Then Jacob said to his brothers; Pick up stones! And they went taking stones and making a heap. After that they ate there on the heap. (Genesis 31:46)
- And Laban began calling it Jegarsahadutha, but Jacob called it Galeed. (Genesis 31:47)
- And Laban proceeded to say; This heap is a witness between me and you today. That is why he called its name Galeed. (Genesis 31:48)
- And The Watchtower, because he said; Let Yehowah keep watch between me and you when we are situated unseen the one from the other. (Genesis 31:49)
- This pile of stones would testify to the fact that Yehowah was watching to see that Jacob and Laban carried out their covenant of peace.