

WALKING IN THE LAND OF THE BIBLE (Paul E. Engle)
Session #10 Mountains in the Land of the Bible

INTRO-

I. OVERVIEW OF THE MOUNTAINS IN THE LAND OF THE BIBLE (c. _____)

Mountains are an elevated topographical feature formed by geological faulting and erosion.)

A. Mountains dominate the landscape of Israel. How were mountains used?

1. Joshua used mountain ridges as _____ (Josh. 15:8-9)

2. Mountains were obstacles to _____

3. High mountain ridges provided _____ Isa. 18:3,
Isa. 40:9

4. Mountain clefts and caves were places to _____
Judges 6:2. Luke 21:21

5. Mountains also became the locations for _____

a. Deut. 12:2

b. Isa. 65:7

c. Ezekiel 6:13

6. Mountains also became _____

a. Sometimes they were places for making covenants and renewing covenants (cf.
Ex. 19-20, Josh 8:30-35)

b. It doesn't surprise us mountains appear at important junctures in _____

i. Mount of Temptation (Mt 4:8-10)

ii. Teaching his Sermon on the Mount (Mt. 5:1-8)

iii. Feeding the 5000 on the mountain (Mt. 15:29-31)

iv. Mount of Transfiguration (Mt. 17:1-9)

v. Teaching Olivet Discourse (Mt. 24-25)

vi. Ascension and commissioning (Mt. 28:16-20)

vii. Place where Jesus went to pray - cf Lk. 6:12

7. Mountains were gifts from God: _____

8. Mountains stimulate _____ by giving us glimpses into the attributes of
our Creator God:

a. Mountains' massive size helps us appreciate the _____

*Judges 5:5, Isa. 40:12

b. Mountains' stability reminds us _____ Isaiah 54:10

c. Mountains remind us of the eternal _____

B. Where do the mountain ranges run in the land of the Bible?

II. SOME KEY MOUNTAINS IN CHRIST'S LIFE (We'll look at 2 mountains that we didn't cover in the worship course on 7 mountains of worship)

A. Mount Moreh (1,700 ft high along International Highway)

1. The first village is a small agricultural village called _____, Luke 7:11.
2. What happened there? _____
3. The crowd praise God saying, "*A great prophet has appeared among us...*
4. Nain is located on the northern slope of Mount Moreh. About a mile and a half away on the southern slope is the village of _____. What happened there?
5. Do you see the parallels between the two stories:
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.

Learn to look for OT and NT events that occur in the same geographical place.

B. Mount Arabel: Where and what 2 events occurred here?

1. Here is possibly where Jesus gave _____ Why more likely place?

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2. At the end of the earthly ministry Jesus ascended from the **Mount of Olives** outside Jerusalem. But after his resurrection he told his disciples he would meet them in Galilee. cf. Matt. 7:10 "*Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.*" Then they went to a mountain: "*then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go.*" (Mt. 28:16)

a. What mountain in Galilee was this?

b. Why was this location appropriate?

CONCLUSION - Be on the lookout for references to mountains when you attend services and read the Scripture on your own.