

Is Petra In The Bible?

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2 Kings 14:7 (“Selah” = rock; “Joktheel” = “the blessedness of God”)

He slew of Edom in the valley of salt ten thousand, and took **Selah** by war, and called the name of it Joktheel unto this day.

Isaiah 16:1 (“Sela” = rock)

Send ye the lamb to the ruler of the land from **Sela** to the wilderness, unto the mount of the daughter of Zion.

Judges 1:36 (“the rock”)

And the coast of the Amorites was from the going up to Akrabbim, from **the rock**, and upward.

2 Chronicles 25:12 (“top of the rock”)

And other ten thousand left alive did the children of Judah carry away captive, and brought them unto **the top of the rock**, and cast them down from **the top of the rock**, that they all were broken in pieces.

Obadiah 3 (alluded to “clefts of the rock”)

The pride of thine heart hath deceived thee, thou that dwellest in the **clefts of the rock**, whose habitation is high; that saith in his heart, Who shall bring me down to the ground?

Jeremiah 49:16 (clefts of the rock)

Thy terribleness hath deceived thee, and the pride of thine heart, O thou that dwellest in the **clefts of the rock**, that holdest the height of the hill: though thou shouldst make thy nest as high as the eagle, I will bring thee down from thence, saith the LORD.

2 Corinthians 11:32-33 (Paul mentions one of their kings of Arabia Nabatea)

32 In Damascus the governor under **Aretas** the king kept the city of the Damascenes with a garrison, desirous to apprehend me:

33 And through a window in a basket was I let down by the wall, and escaped his hands.

Daniel 11:41 (future world events?)

He shall enter also into the glorious land, and many countries shall be overthrown: but these shall escape out of his hand, even **Edom**, and **Moab**, and the chief of the children of **Ammon**.

Revelation 12:14-16 (Israel will fly into the wilderness/earth)

14 And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might **fly into the wilderness**, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent.

15 And the serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away of the flood.

16 And **the earth** helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth.

Daniel 9:27

And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

Matthew 24:15-22

15 When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)

16 Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains:

17 Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house:

18 Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes.

19 And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days!

20 But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day:

21 For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

22 And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.

Luke 21:20-24

20 And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh.

21 Then let them which are in Judaea flee to the mountains; and let them which are in the midst of it depart out; and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto.

22 For these be the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled.

23 But woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck, in those days! for there shall be great distress in the land, and wrath upon this people.

24 And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.

Zechariah 13:8-9

8 And it shall come to pass, that in all the land, saith the LORD, two parts therein shall be cut off and die; but the third shall be left therein.

9 And I will bring the third part through the fire, and will refine them as silver is refined, and will try them as gold is tried: they shall call on my name, and I will hear them: I will say, It is my people: and they shall say, The LORD is my God.

Micah 2:12

I will surely assemble, O Jacob, all of thee; I will surely gather the remnant of Israel; I will put them together as the sheep of Bozrah, as the flock in the midst of their fold: they shall make great noise by reason of the multitude of men.

Isaiah 26:20-21

20 Come, my people, enter thou into thy chambers, and shut thy doors about thee: hide thyself as it were for a little moment, until the indignation be overpast.

21 For, behold, the LORD cometh out of his place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity: the earth also shall disclose her blood, and shall no more cover her slain.

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