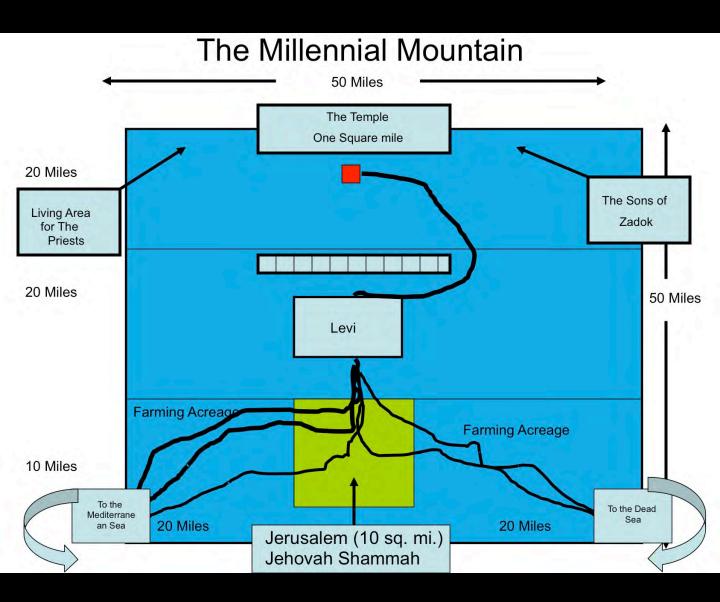
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Isaiah 2:1-5

The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

²And it shall come to pass in the latter days, that the mountain of Jehovah's house shall be established on the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it. ³And many peoples shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of Jehovah, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of Jehovah from Jerusalem. ⁴And he will judge between the nations, and will decide concerning many peoples; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

⁵O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of Jehovah (ASV, 1901).

THE MILLENNIAL MOUNTAIN OF THE MESSIANIC KINGDOM

Immediately after the Lord gave a strong rebuking of Israel and even promising them with foreign invasions He offers comfort. He now begins to tell them that Jerusalem will have a premier position in the world in the future Messianic Kingdom. The passage clearly states seven characteristics:

- 1. The mountain will be formed in the "Latter Days."
- 2. It will be the mountain of mountains. In other words, the highest in the world.
- 3. Jehovah's House will sit there. This is where the Lord Jesus will rule the government of the world. The government will finally be upon His shoulders (Isaiah 9:6).
- 4. The population of the world will move toward it in pilgrimage in order to learn God's Law. This where the Lawgiver will live.
- 5. The Law that emanates from the Millennial Mountain will cause all nations of the world to be at peace.
- 6. The Word of the Lord will come from the Mountain, which all nations will respond to in obedience
- 7. Warfare at the beginning of the Messianic Kingdom will be obsolete.

Micah was also given prophecies of the coming mountain.

Micah 4:1–2

But in the latter days it shall come to pass, that the mountain of Jehovah's house shall be established on the top of the mountains, and it shall be exalted above the hills; and peoples shall flow unto it. ²And many nations shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of Jehovah, and to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths. For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of Jehovah from Jerusalem (ASV, 1901).

In Isaiah God also points out that the mountain will be a center of Jewish & Gentile worship and prayer.

Isaiah 27:13; 56:6-8

¹³And it shall come to pass in that day, that a great trumpet shall be blown; and they shall come that were ready to perish in the land of Assyria, and they that were outcasts in the land of Egypt; and they shall worship Jehovah in the holy mountain at Jerusalem ⁶Also the foreigners that join themselves to Jehovah, to minister unto him, and to love the name of Jehovah, to be his servants, every one that keepeth the sabbath from profaning it, and holdeth fast my covenant; ⁷even them will I bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer: their burnt-offerings and their sacrifices shall be accepted upon mine altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. ⁸The Lord Jehovah, who gathereth the outcasts of Israel, saith, Yet will I gather others to him, besides his own that are gathered (ASV, 1901).

The text also tells us in this passage that the Sabbath will be re-instituted. It was not commanded during the Church Age. The Sabbath first makes its appearance in Exodus 6:23 as a commandment with in the conditional Mosaic Covenant. It is not in the Church Age part of the New Covenant. Further, the sacrifices will be reinstituted. They will be for remembrance and honoring what Jesus the Messiah did for the world, not for atonement.

The Jews will be brought to the Mountain of Jehovah's house by the Gentile nations. It is shown in the following verse that the destination of the Jews being led is to the Mountain of The Lord's House.

Isaiah 66:20

²⁰And they shall bring all your brethren out of all the nations for an oblation unto Jehovah, upon horses, and in chariots, and in litters, and upon mules, and upon dromedaries, to my holy mountain Jerusalem, saith Jehovah, as the children of Israel bring their oblation in a clean vessel into the house of Jehovah. ²¹And of them also will I take for priests and for Levites, saith Jehovah (ASV, 1901).

The prophet Ezekiel received the most information about Jehovah's Millennial Mountain of any of the prophets. He referred to it as a" Mountain of Great Height." In one of his descriptions he

described it as having lush greenery and vegetation.

Ezekiel 17:22-24

²²Thus saith the Lord Jehovah: I will also take of the lofty top of the cedar, and will set it; I will crop off from the topmost of its young twigs a tender one, and I will plant it upon a high and lofty mountain: ²³in the mountain of the height of Israel will I plant it; and it shall bring forth boughs, and bear fruit, and be a goodly cedar: and under it shall dwell all birds of every wing; in the shade of the branches thereof shall they dwell. ²⁴And all the trees of the field shall know that I, Jehovah, have brought down the high tree, have exalted the low tree, have dried up the green tree, and have made the dry tree to flourish; I, Jehovah, have spoken and have done it (ASV, 1901).

The Lord through Ezekiel provides many details of the mountain in several different passages.

Ezekiel 40:1-4

In the five and twentieth year of our captivity, in the beginning of the year, in the tenth day of the month, in the fourteenth year after that the city was smitten, in the selfsame day, the hand of Jehovah was upon me, and he brought me thither. ²In the visions of God brought he me into the land of Israel, and set me down upon a very high mountain, whereon was as it were the frame of a city on the south. ³And he brought me thither; and, behold, there was a man, whose appearance was like the appearance of brass, with a line of flax in his hand, and a measuring reed; and he stood in the gate. ⁴And the man said unto me, Son of man, behold with thine eyes, and hear with thine ears, and set thy heart upon all that I shall show thee; for, to the intent that I may show them unto thee, art thou brought hither: declare all that thou seest to the house of Israel (ASV, 1901).

To Ezekiel God gave him a vision in 561 B.C. of the Millennial Mountain. He sees the skyline of the Millennial Jerusalem on the southern side. The prophet is told to relate this information to the House of Israel. In the next passage Ezekiel receives substantial information of the Mountain of Jehovah's House.

Ezekiel 45:1–8

Moreover, when ye shall divide by lot the land for inheritance, ye shall offer an oblation unto Jehovah, a holy portion of the land; the length shall be the length of five and twenty thousand reeds, and the breadth shall be ten thousand: it shall be holy in all the border thereof round about. ²Of this there shall be for the holy place five hundred in length by five hundred in breadth, square round about; and fifty cubits for the suburbs thereof round about. ³And of this measure shalt thou measure a length of five and twenty thousand, and a breadth of ten thousand: and in it shall be the sanctuary, which is most holy. ⁴It is a holy portion of the land; it shall be for the priests, the ministers of the sanctuary, that come near to minister unto Jehovah; and it shall be a place for their houses, and a holy place for the sanctuary. ⁵And five

and twenty thousand in length, and ten thousand in breadth, shall be unto the Levites, the ministers of the house, for a possession unto themselves, for twenty chambers. ⁶And ye shall appoint the possession of the city five thousand broad, and five and twenty thousand long, side by side with the oblation of the holy portion: it shall be for the whole house of Israel. ⁷And whatsoever is for the prince shall be on the one side and on the other side of the holy oblation and of the possession of the city, in front of the holy oblation and in front of the possession of the city, on the west side westward, and on the east side eastward; and in length answerable unto one of the portions, from the west border unto the east border. ⁸In the land it shall be to him for a possession in Israel: and my princes shall no more oppress my people; but they shall give the land to the house of Israel according to their tribes (ASV, 1901).

Ezekiel refers to the holy mountain as the Holy Oblation because this is where holy rituals will take place within the Millennial Temple. The Temple and the city of Jerusalem will be upon this mountain. The mountain will have:

A fifty square mile plateau on the top subdivided into three sections. The northern subsection will be twenty miles by fifty miles with the Millennial Temple in the center. The Temple will be about one-mile square. Select priests will live in the remainder of the area of the northern subsection. The central subsection, which will be the same square area as the northern one, will be reserved for members of the Tribe of Levi. The southern subsection will be ten miles by fifty miles. In its center will stand the Millennial Jerusalem. Jerusalem will measure ten miles by ten miles. On either side of the city will be field areas each measuring ten by twenty miles for growing food. The prince will control these areas; who is the resurrected David. He will divide the Land according to the twelve tribes.

Another passage in which Ezekiel describes the Millennial Mountain is in Ezekiel chapter 48.

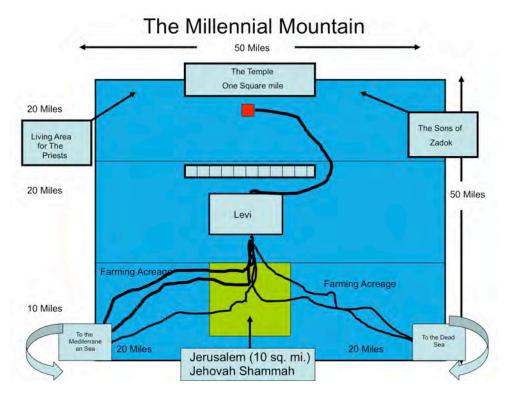
Ezekiel 48:8-20

⁸And by the border of Judah, from the east side unto the west side, shall be the oblation which ye shall offer, five and twenty thousand reeds in breadth, and in length as one of the portions, from the east side unto the west side: and the sanctuary shall be in the midst of it. ⁹The oblation that ye shall offer unto Jehovah shall be five and twenty thousand reeds in length, and ten thousand in breadth. ¹⁰And for these, even for the priests, shall be the holy oblation: toward the north five and twenty thousand in length, and toward the west ten thousand in breadth, and toward the east ten thousand in breadth, and toward the south five and twenty thousand in length: and the sanctuary of Jehovah shall be in the midst thereof. ¹¹It shall be for the priests that are sanctified of the sons of Zadok, that have kept my charge, that went not astray when the children of Israel went astray, as the Levites went astray. ¹²And it shall be unto them an oblation from the oblation of the land, a thing most holy, by the border of the Levites.

¹³And answerable unto the border of the priests, the Levites shall have five and twenty thousand in length, and ten thousand in breadth: all the length shall be five

and twenty thousand, and the breadth ten thousand. ¹⁴And they shall sell none of it, nor exchange it, nor shall the first-fruits of the land be alienated; for it is holy unto Jehovah.

¹⁵And the five thousand that are left in the breadth, in front of the five and twenty thousand, shall be for common use, for the city, for dwelling and for suburbs; and the city shall be in the midst thereof. ¹⁶And these shall be the measures thereof: the north side four thousand and five hundred, and the south side four thousand and five hundred, and the west side four thousand and five hundred, and the west side four thousand and five hundred and fifty, and toward the city shall have suburbs: toward the north two hundred and fifty, and toward the south two hundred and fifty, and toward the east two hundred and fifty. ¹⁸And the residue in the length, answerable unto the holy oblation, shall be ten thousand eastward, and ten thousand westward; and it shall be answerable unto the holy oblation; and the increase thereof shall be for food unto them that labor in the city. ¹⁹And they that labor in the city, out of all the tribes of Israel, shall till it. ²⁰All the oblation shall be five and twenty thousand by five and twenty thousand: ye shall offer the holy oblation foursquare, with the possession of the city (ASV, 1901).

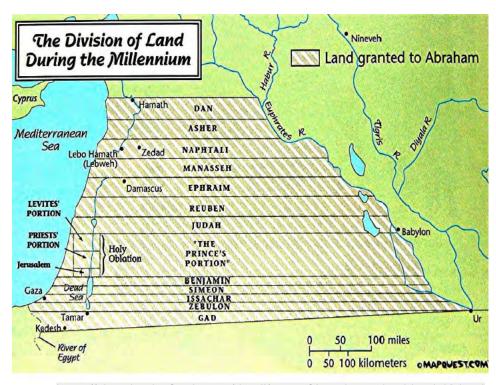


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Ezekiel first announces the size of the area upon the mountain as fifty miles square or 50 Miles X 50 Miles. He begins to describe the northern section that will be twenty miles by fifty miles, which will be inhabited by priests. In the very center of this section the Millennial Temple will stand.

The specific priests are the descendents of Zadok, because that segment of the Tribe of Levi did not go astray from the Lord when the rest did. They remained faithful. Zadok as recorded in I Samuel 2: 25; II Samuel 15:24 and I Kings 2:26-35 was the son of Ahitub of the line of Eleazer (II Sam 8:17; I Chronicles 6:7-8). He was faithful to David during the insurrection of Absalom (II Sam 15:24) and he anointed Solomon after Adonijah attempt to seize the throne was aborted. The emphasis in the text upon the group that was faithful to the Lord and His service. In each era God has had those servants who would not bow to political pressure to conform to the majority of people. The Zadokite priests kept themselves from the gross idolatry of the nation Israel, even though the other priests went along with the people and engaged in gross sins.

This will be the reward for faithfulness in service and fidelity to the presence of the Lord. Zadok will have access to the lord and the privilege to minister in any and all phases of priestly duty. The central section will also measure twenty miles by fifty miles. This area will be reserved for the rest of the Tribe of Levi, those Levites who do not belong to descendents of Zadok. The southern section will measure ten miles by fifty miles and in the middle the Millennial Jerusalem will be built. Jerusalem will be in the very center and will measure ten miles by ten miles. The two remaining sections of the southern section on either side of the city will be food farms. Jerusalem will not belong to any particular tribe by will be inhabited by members of all the twelve tribes.



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