Rev. 12:13-14 and Isa. 16:1-4; 41:17-20

A special hiding place prepared for the remnant

為餘民預備的特別藏身之處



The antichrist will have authority for 42 months = 3½ years = 1278 days 敵基督者將有權柄 42 個月 = 3.5 年 = 1278 天

Revelation 11:

- ¹ Then there was given me a measuring rod like a staff; and someone said, "Get up and measure the <u>temple (naos)</u> of God and the altar, and those who worship in it.
- ² "Leave out the court which is outside the temple and do not measure it, for it has been given to the nations; and they will tread under foot the holy city for forty-two months.
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- ² 只是<u>殿外的院子</u>、要留下不用量・因為<u>這是給了外邦人</u>的・他們要踐 踏聖城**四十二個月**。

The beast (antichrist)

Revelation 13:5 There was given to him a mouth speaking arrogant words and blasphemies, and <u>authority to act for forty-two months</u> was given to him.

又賜給他說誇大褻瀆話的口. 又有權柄賜給他, 可以任意而行四十二個月

When the antichrist takes Jerusalem, the believers must run They will be taken to a place to hide in the mountains 當敵基督佔領耶路撒冷時,信徒<u>必須逃跑</u>他們將被帶到山中的一個地方躲藏

Matthew 24:

- ¹⁵ "Therefore when you see the ABOMINATION OF DESOLATION which was spoken of through Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand),
- ¹⁶ then those who are in Judea must flee to the mountains.
- ¹⁷ "Whoever is on the housetop must not go down to get the things out that are in his house.
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- 16 那時、在猶太的、**應當逃到山上**・
- 17 在房上的、不要下來拿家裡的東西:

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But where is this hiding place?

但是這個特別藏身之處在哪裡?



There is a clue give in Isaiah 16:4

以賽亞書 16:4 給出了一個線索

Isaiah 15:5 (NIV)

My heart cries out over Moab; her fugitives flee as far as Zoar, as far as Eglath Shelishiyah. They go up the hill to Luhith, weeping as they go; on the road to Horonaim they lament their destruction.

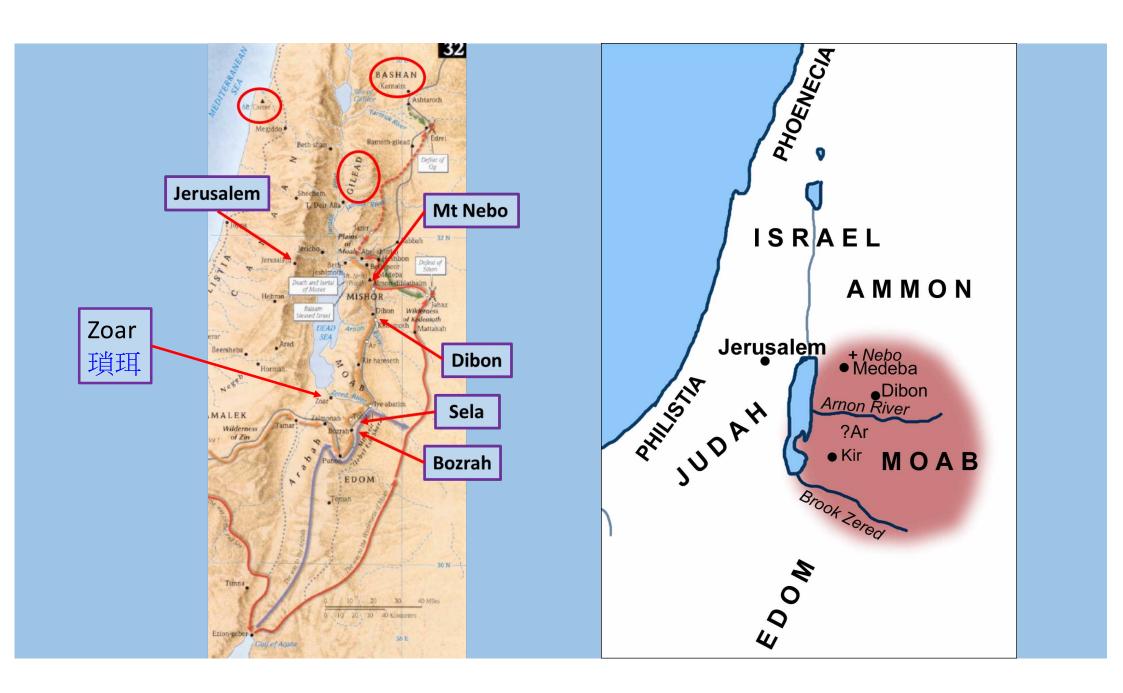
我心為摩押悲哀·他的逃民,逃到瑣珥、到伊基 拉、施利施亞·他們上魯希坡隨走隨哭·在何羅 念的路上、因毀滅舉起哀聲。

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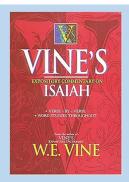
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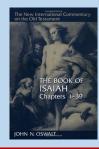
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NICOT - Oswalt: 1998

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Preacher Commentary – McKenna – 1993 -

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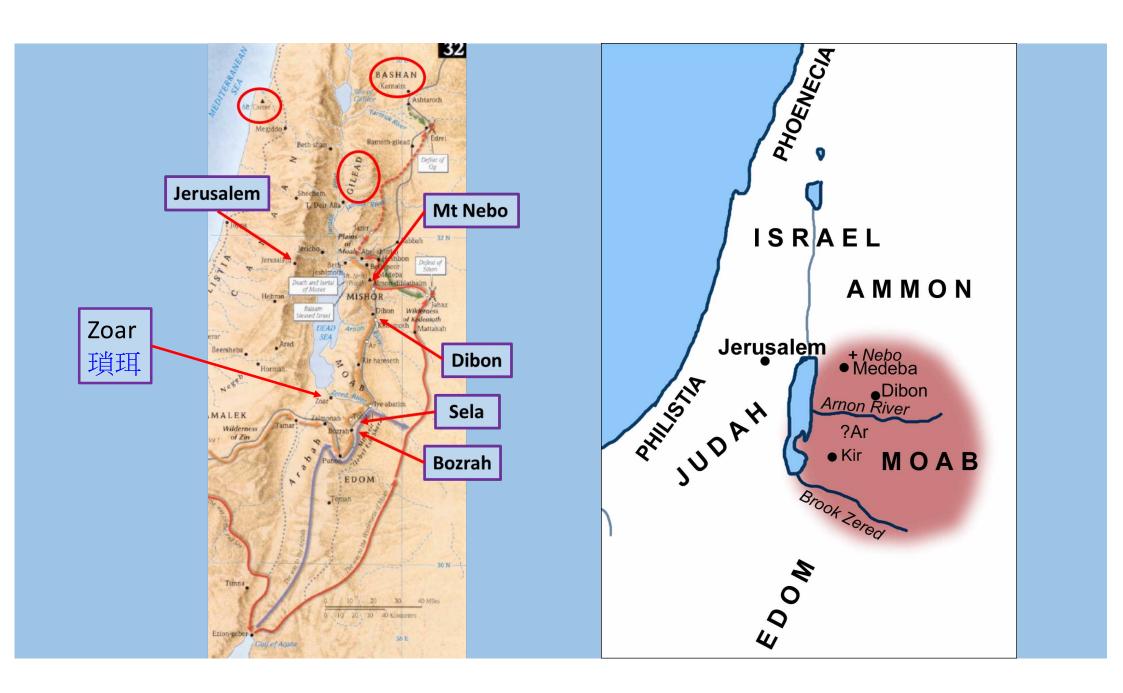
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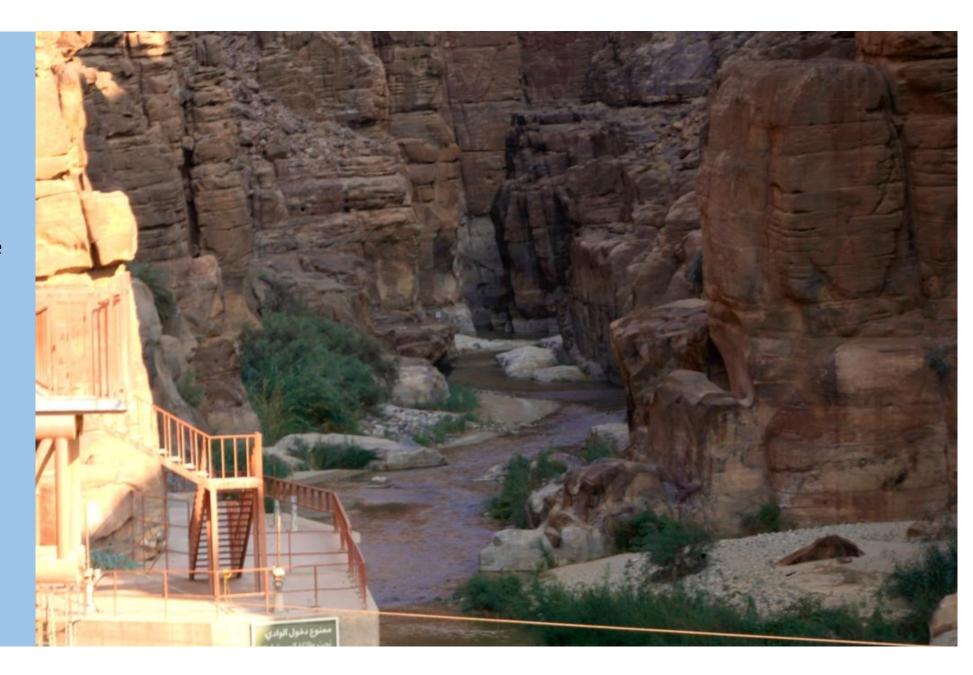
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所以我們試著去亞嫩河看一看

The opening to the River Arnon at the Dead Sea 死海亞嫩河的開口





Looks impossible for 144,000 to hide for 1260 days

144,000 人似乎不 可能隱藏 1260 天



Moving to the left is a reservoir with a dam 向左動是面水面人類

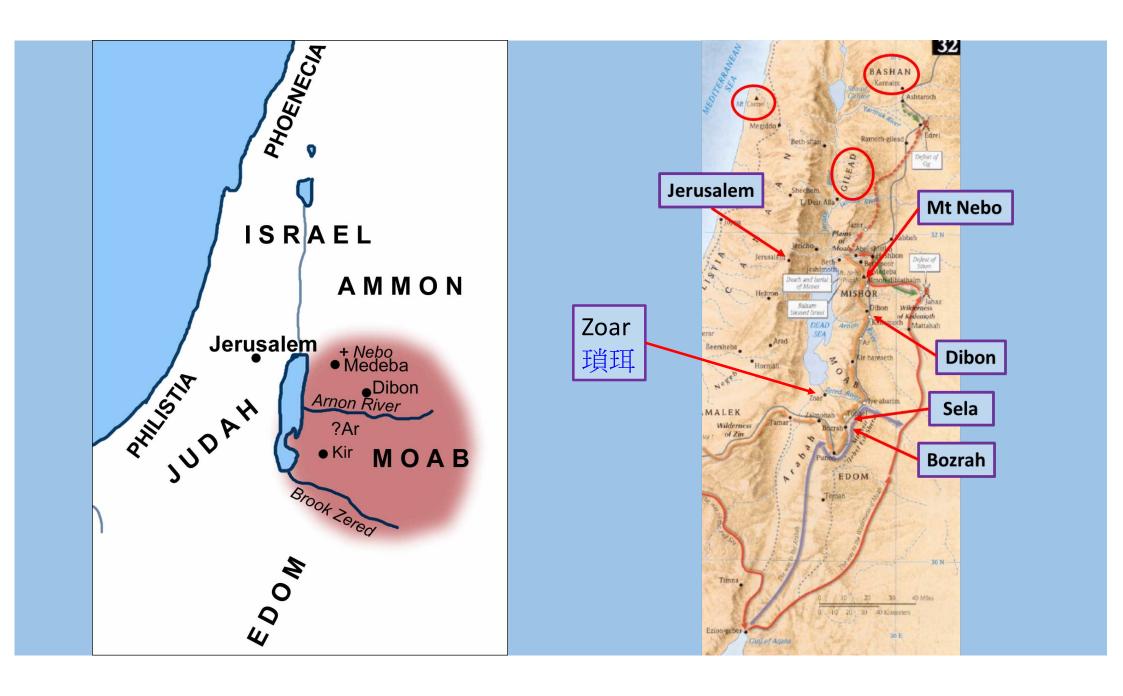






Cannot visit So need a second trip The second trip





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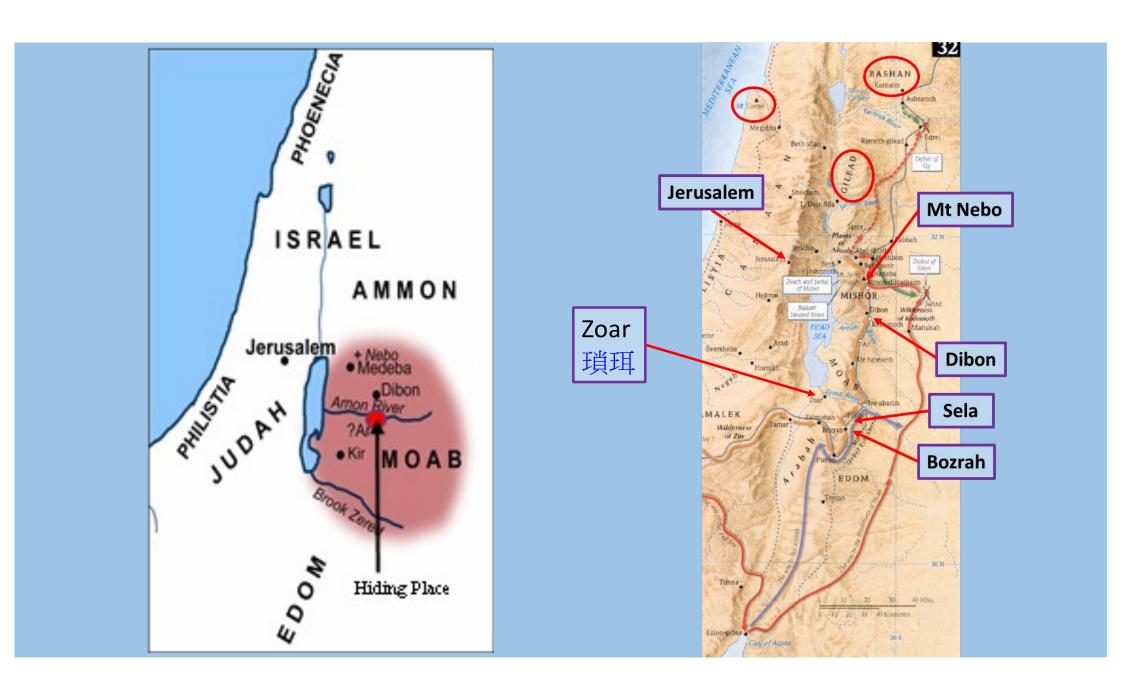
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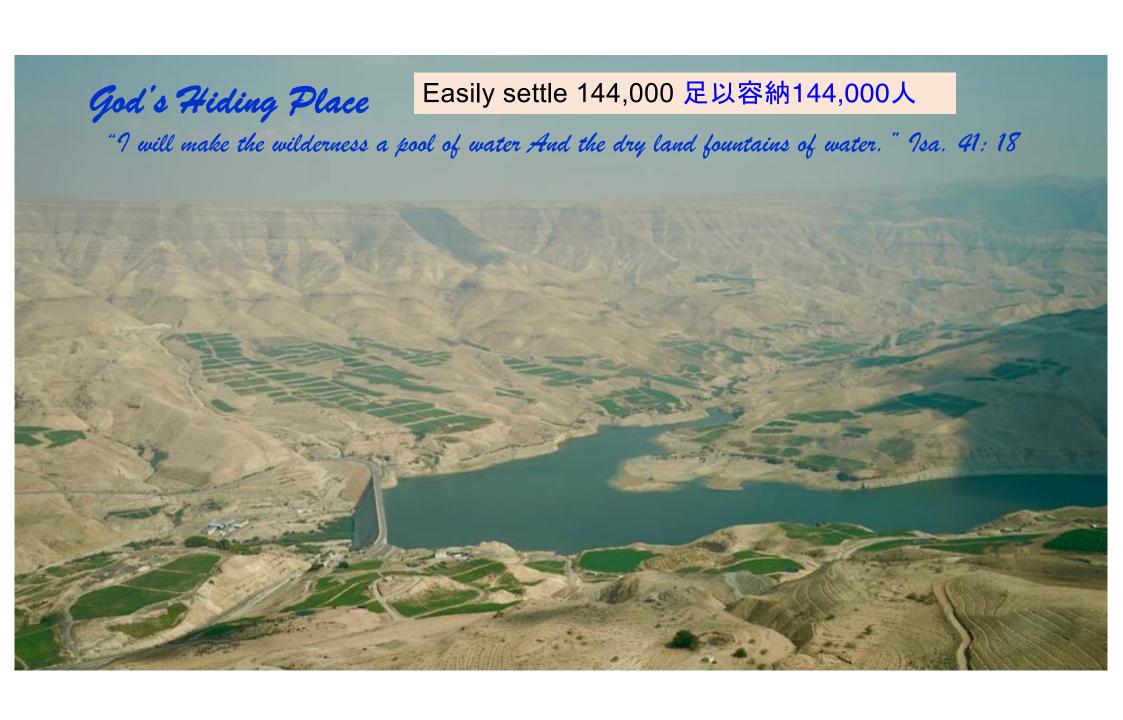


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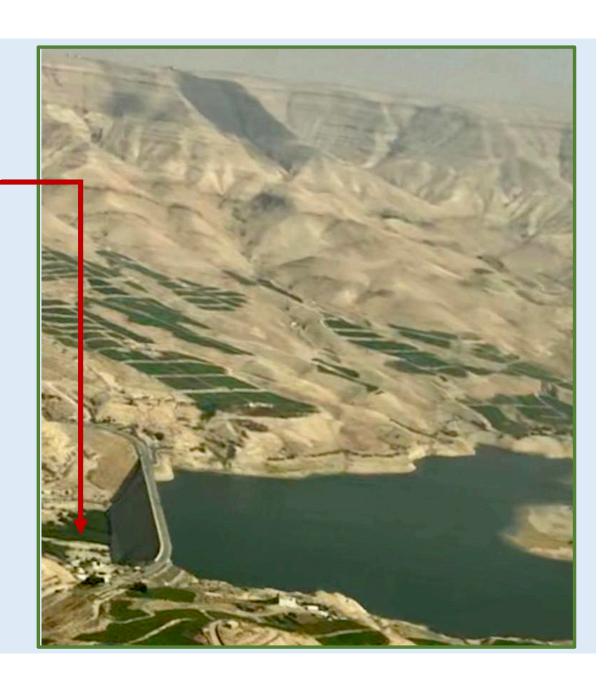


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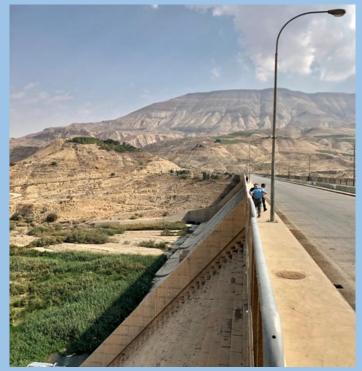
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摩押的居民, 在亞嫩渡口

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Fords in front of the Dam 渡口在大壩前

Fords in Hebrew is ma-abar, can also mean a passage way 渡口希伯來文是 ma-abar 也可以表示通道





Isaiah 41:

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Praise the Lord and thank you

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Just like the days of Noah 像挪亞的日子

Matthew 24:

- ³⁶ "But of *that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father alone.
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Isaiah 41 is a chapter about how God cares for Israel

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- ¹⁵ "Behold, I have made you a new, sharp threshing sledge with double edges; You will thresh the mountains and pulverize them*, And will make the hills like chaff.
- ¹⁶ "You will winnow them, and the wind will carry them away, And the storm will scatter them; But you will rejoice in the LORD, You will glory in the Holy One of Israel.
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