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## ABBREVIATIONS

- AASOR* *Annual of the American Schools of Oriental Research*  
*AI* R. de Vaux, *Ancient Israel* (London, 1961)  
*ANET* J. B. Pritchard (ed.), *Ancient Near Eastern Texts Relating to the Old Testament*<sup>2</sup> (Princeton, 1955)  
*ARI* W. F. Albright, *Archaeology and the Religion of Israel*<sup>4</sup> (Baltimore, 1956)  
*BA* *Biblical Archaeologist*  
*BASOR* *Bulletin of the American Schools of Oriental Research*  
*BDB* F. Brown, S. R. Driver, and C. A. Briggs (eds.), *A Hebrew and English Lexicon of the Old Testament* (Oxford, 1906)  
*BH* R. Kittel (ed.), *Biblia Hebraica*<sup>7</sup> (Stuttgart, 1951)  
*BIES* *Bulletin of the Israel Exploration Society*  
*BSOAS* *Bulletin of the School of Oriental and African Studies*  
*CAD* I. J. Gelb, B. Landsberger *et al.*, *The Assyrian Dictionary of the Oriental Institute of the University of Chicago* (Chicago)  
*CTCA* A. Herdner, *Corpus des Tablettes en Cunéiformes Alphabétiques découvertes à Ras Shamra-Ugarit de 1929 à 1939* (Paris, 1963)  
*GK* E. Kautzsch (ed.), *Gesenius' Hebrew Grammar* (tr. A. E. Cowley)<sup>2</sup> (Oxford, 1910)  
*HPAP* W. F. Albright, 'The High Place in Ancient Palestine', Supplement to *VT* iv (Leiden, 1957), pp. 242–58  
*ICC* *International Critical Commentary*  
*IEJ* *Israel Exploration Journal*  
*JBL* *Journal of Biblical Literature*  
*JPOS* *Journal of the Palestine Oriental Society*  
*KB*<sup>1</sup> L. Koehler and W. Baumgartner (eds.), *Lexicon in Veteris Testamenti Libros* (Leiden, 1953)



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<i>KB<sup>3</sup></i>	L. Koehler and W. Baumgartner (eds.), <i>Hebräisches und Aramäisches Lexikon zum Alten Testament</i> (Leiden, 1967), vol. 1
<i>LSJ</i>	H. G. Liddell and R. Scott, <i>A Greek–English Lexicon</i> , revised H. S. Jones (Oxford, 1940)
<i>LXX</i>	Septuagint
<i>MT</i>	Massoretic Text
<i>NEB</i>	<i>New English Bible</i> (Oxford/Cambridge, 1970)
<i>QDAP</i>	<i>Quarterly of the Department of Antiquities in Palestine</i>
<i>RB</i>	<i>Revue Biblique</i>
<i>RSV</i>	Revised Standard Version
<i>VT</i>	<i>Vetus Testamentum</i>

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## NOTE

The forms *bāmā* and *bāmôt* signify the Hebrew words **בָּמָה** and **בָּמוֹת**, and should be distinguished from *bamah* (pl. *bamoth*) which is used as the technical name for a cultic platform.

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## THE BAMAH AT MEGIDDO (TYPE I)



1(a). Note the round, conical shape of the structure, the steps leading up to the flat top and the position inside enclosure walls (see p. 41).

1(b). The flight of steps leading up to the bamah. Note the building construction of loose, unhewn, field-stones, packed with smaller stones, and the general monumental scale of the structure (see p. 41).



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## THE BAMAH AT TEL DAN (TYPE II)



2(a). *Part of the straight outer wall of the bamah, probably built in the reign of Jeroboam I. The stones in the centre of the picture are dressed in the style characteristic of the Israelite monarchy period (cf. pp. 47f.). The stones abutting the wall belong to later periods, and covered the original bamah.*

2(b). *The monumental flight of steps leading up to the bamah, probably built in the reign of Ahab (cf. p. 48).*



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