



Endnotes for “The Conquest of Khirbet el-Maqatir / Ephraim: More Roman Action in AD 69”

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Notes

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³ *Bible and Spade* 36, no. 4 (Fall 2023). Boyd V. Seevers and Kenneth E. Downer, “New Evidence of a Roman Attack at Shiloh,” 6–11; Kenneth E. Downer and Boyd V. Seevers, “The Roman Assault on Shiloh: A Military Reconstruction,” 24–28, 30–32.

⁴ Josephus, *Jewish War* 4.444–445.

⁵ Josephus, *Jewish War* 3.211.

⁶ For further discussion, see Katherine A. Streckert and Boyd V. Seevers, “Militaria,” in *The Excavations at Khirbet el-Maqatir: 1995–2001 and 2009–2016*, vol. 2, *The Late Hellenistic, Early Roman, and Byzantine Periods*, by Scott Stripling, ed. Scott Stripling and Mark A. Hassler, with contributions by Yoav Farhi et al. (Oxford: Archaeopress, 2023), 300–303, 309–10.

⁷ M. C. Bishop and J. C. N. Coulston, *Roman Military Equipment from the Punic Wars to the Fall of Rome*, 2nd ed. (Oxford: Oxbow Books, 2006), 104–5.

⁸ Roy W. Davies, “The Roman Military Medical Service,” in *Service in the Roman Army*, by Roy W. Davies, ed. David Breeze and Valerie A. Maxfield (New York: Columbia University Press, 1989), 212–15; John Scarborough, *Roman Medicine*, Aspects of Greek and Roman Life (London: Thames and Hudson, 1969), 66–75.

⁹ Streckert and Seevers, “Militaria,” 305–8.

¹⁰ Guy D. Stiebel, “*Armīs et Litteris*: The Military Equipment of Early Roman Palestine, in Light of the Archaeological and Historical Sources,” 3 vols. (PhD diss., University of London, 2007), 1:112–13; Josephus, *Antiquities of the Jews* 20.185–87.

¹¹ Josephus, *Josephus: In Nine Volumes*, vol. 3, *The Jewish War, Books IV–VII*, translated by H. St. J. Thackeray, The Loeb Classical Library (Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 1961), 163.

¹² For further discussion, see Scott Stripling, “Have We Walked in the Footsteps of Jesus? Exciting New Possibilities at Khirbet el-Maqatir,” *Bible and Spade* 27, no. 4 (Fall 2014): 91–94.

¹³ For evidence of an attack on a site near Bethel, see Yevgeny Aharonovich, “The Ruins of Kfar Mur – A Jewish Settlement from the Time of the Second Temple on Mount Beit El and the Wall from the Time of the Great Revolt” [in Hebrew], *In the Highland’s Depth* 6 (2016): 85–106.

¹⁴ Seevers and Downer, “New Evidence,” 6–11; Downer and Seevers, “Roman Assault on Shiloh,” 24–28, 30–32. When these *Bible and Spade* articles from 2023 were published, excavations at Shiloh had only produced ballista balls with mina calibers, leading to the assumption that soldiers from the Tenth Legion were responsible for the attack on Shiloh. Since that time, however, the ongoing excavations have produced ballista balls with libra calibers as well. Shiloh may have been attacked by part of the Fifteenth Legion, as appears to be the case at KeM.

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