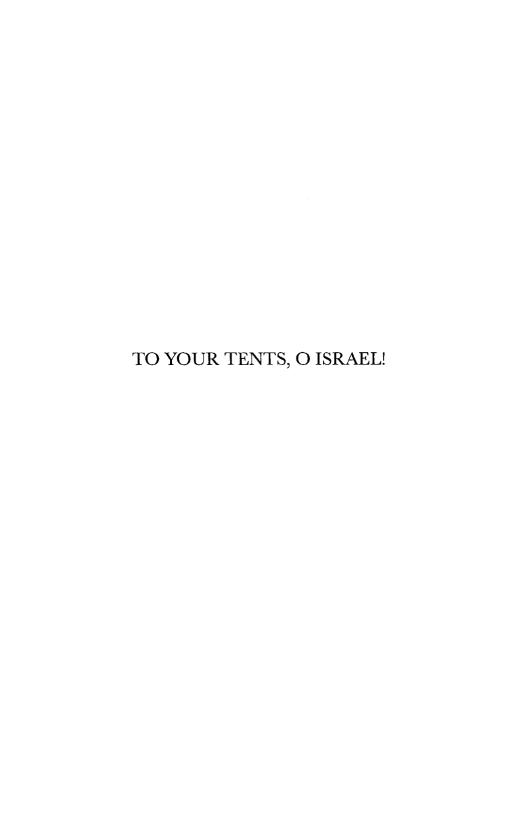


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DEDICATION

This book is dedicated to my family, whom I immensely appreciate. My feelings echo the alewife Siduri's advice to the forlorn Gilgamesh:

As for you, Gilgamesh, let your belly be full. Dance and be merry by day and night, by night and day make a feast of rejoicing, day and night dance and play. Let your garments be white, your head washed, bathe in water. Cherish the little child that holds your hand. Let your spouse delight in your embrace. For this too is the lot of mankind.

(Gilgamesh, OB, X:III:6-14)

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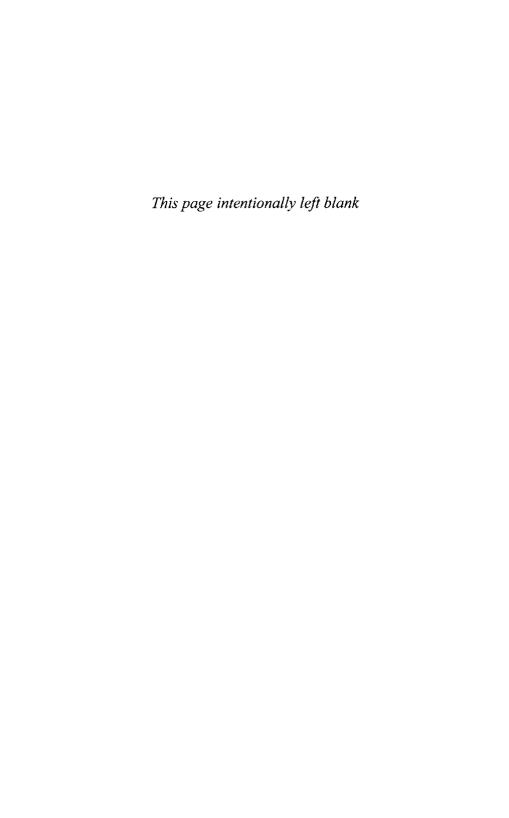


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ABBREVIATIONS

1 Chr
1 Kgs
1 Kings
1 Sam
1 Samuel
1 Chr
1 Chronicles
2 Chr
2 Chronicles
2 Kgs
2 Kings
2 Sam
2 Samuel

AASOR Annual of the American Schools of Oriental Re-

search

AB Anchor Bible

ABD Anchor Bible Dictionary, D. N. Freedman, ed.

AJSL American Journal of Semitic Languages and

Literature

ANEP Ancient Near East in Pictures, J. B. Pritchard, ed. ANET Ancient Near Eastern Texts, J. B. Pritchard, ed.

AOAT Alter Orient und Altes Testament

ARE Ancient Records of Egypt, J. H. Breasted, ed.

ARM Archives royales de Mari

ASAE Annales du Service des antiquités de l'Égypte

ASORDS American Schools of Oriental Research Diss-

ertation Series

AV Authorized Version

BA Biblical Archaeologist

BAR Biblical Archaeology Review

BASOR Bulletin of the American Schools of Oriental

Research

BCE Before the Common Era

Bib Biblica

BN Biblische Notizen

CahRb Cahiers de la Revue biblique

CAD The Assyrian Dictionary of the Oriental Institute of

the University of Chicago

CAT The Cuneiform Alphabetic Texts (Revised and

Enlarged KTU)

CBQ Catholic Biblical Quarterly

CE Common Era

CIH Corpus inscriptionum semiticarum, pars IV,

inscriptiones himyariticas et sabaeas continens.

CMHE Canaanite Myth and Hebrew Epic, Frank M.

Cross, Jr.

CTA Corpus des tablettes en cunéiformes alpha-

bétiques, A. Herdner

Dan Daniel

Deut Deuteronomy

DJD Discoveries in the Judaean Desert

DMOA Documenta et Monumenta Orientis Antiqui

EANE The Oxford Encyclopedia of Archaeology in the

Near East, E. Meyers, ed.

EB Early Bronze

Exod Exodus
Ezek Ezekiel
fig(s). figure(s)
Gen Genesis

HB Hebrew Bible

HSM Harvard Semitic Monographs
HTR Harvard Theological Review
HUCA Hebrew Union College Annual
Ibid. ibidem, in the same place

IBOT Istanbul Arkeoloji Müzelerinde Bulunan Bogaköy

Tabletleri

ICC International Critical Commentary

IDB Interpreter's Dictionary of the Bible, G. A.

Buttrick, ed.

IEJ Israel Exploration Journal

Isa Isaiah

JANES Journal of the Ancient Near East Society
JAOS Journal of the American Oriental Society

JARCE Journal of the American Research Center in Egypt

JBL Journal of Biblical Literature

JCS Journal of Cuneiform Studies

JEA Journal of Egyptian Archaeology

Jer Jeremiah

JESHO Journal of the Economic and Social History of the

Orient

Jn John

JNES Journal of Near Eastern Studies

Josh Joshua

JPS Jewish Publication Society JQR Jewish Quarterly Review

JSOT Journal for the Study of the Old Testament

JSOT SS Journal for the Study of the Old Testament Supp-

lement Series

JTS Journal of Theological Studies

Judg Judges

KAH Keilschrifttexte aus Assur historischen Inhalts

KJV King James Version

KTU Keilalphabetische Texte aus Ugarit, vol. 1. M.

Dietrich, O. Loretz, and J Sanmartin, eds.

KUB Keilschrifturkunden aus Boghazköi

LB Late Bronze
Lev Leviticus
Lk Luke
LXX Septuagint

MB Middle Bronze

MDIK Mitteilungen des deutschen archäologischen

Instituts, Kairo

MK Middle Kingdom

Mt Matthew

MT Masoretic Text

MVAG Mitteilungen der vorderasiatischen Gesellschaft

N Number n(n). note(s)

NEAEHL The New Encyclopedia of Archaeological Excav-

ations in the Holy Land, E. Stern, ed.

NK New Kingdom

NRSV New Revised Standard Version

Num Numbers

OBO Orbis biblicus et orientalis

OK Old Kingdom

OLP Orientalia lovaniensia periodica

Or Orientalia

OTL Old Testament Library

p(p). page(s)

PE Praeparatio evangelica, Eusebius

PEF Palestine Exploration Fund
PEO Palestine Exploration Quarterly

pl(s). plate(s)

PRU Le Palais Royal d'Ugarit, C. F. Schaeffer and J.

Nougayrol, eds.

Ps(s) Psalm(s)

PWCJS Proceedings of the . . . World Congress of Jewish

Studies

RB Revue biblique

RHA Revue hittite et asiatique

RHR Revue de l'histoire ecclésiastique

RSV Revised Standard Version

SAM Sheffield Archaeological Monographs
SJOT Scandinavian Journal of the Old Testament
SSEA Society for the Study of Egyptian Antiquities
TDOT Theological Dictionary of the Old Testament

UF Ugarit-Forschungen

Urk Urkunden des ägyptischen Altertums

VT Vetus Testamentum

VTSup Vetus Testamentum Supplements

WFD Wadi Fidan

ZA Zeitschrift für Assyriologie

ZÄS Zeitschrift für Ägyptische Sprache und

Altertumskunde

ZAW Zeitschrift für die alttestamentliche Wissenschaft ZDMG Zeitschrift der deutschen morgenländischen

Gesellschaft

ZDPV Zeitschrift des deutschen Palästina-Vereins

Zec Zechariah

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