

Ezekiel 32:5

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And I will lay thy flesh upon the mountains, and fill the valleys with thy height.

Analysis

The dragon's 'flesh upon the mountains' and 'height' filling valleys depicts comprehensive destruction—Egypt's corpse so large it covers the landscape. Hyperbolic imagery emphasizes judgment's magnitude. The reversal is complete: height and greatness become obstacles filling low places, no longer sources of glory but monuments to fall.

Historical Context

This imagery may allude to Egyptian military campaigns through mountainous regions. Their pride in military might would result in their bodies littering those same terrains in defeat.

Related Passages

John 3:16 — God's love and salvation

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

Romans 2:1 — Judging others

Revelation 20:12 — Judgment according to deeds

Study Questions

1. How can God's judgments be both literal and symbolic, teaching spiritual truths through historical events?
2. What monuments to pride in your life need to be brought down to fill the 'valleys' of humility?

Interlinear Text

וְנָתַתִּי י	אֶת	בְּשָׁרְךָ	עַל	הַהָרִים	וּמָלֵאתִי	הַגְּאִי וְ
And I will lay	H853	thy flesh	H5921	upon the mountains	and fill	the valleys
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with thy height

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Additional Cross-References

Ezekiel 31:12 (Parallel theme): And strangers, the terrible of the nations, have cut him off, and have left him: upon the mountains and in all the valleys his branches are fallen, and his boughs are broken by all the rivers of the land; and all the people of the earth are gone down from his shadow, and have left him.