

# Psalm 29:8

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

The voice of the LORD shaketh the wilderness; the LORD shaketh the wilderness of Kadesh.

## Analysis

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The declaration 'The voice of the LORD shaketh the wilderness; the LORD shaketh the wilderness of Kadesh' describes divine power causing earthquakes. Even desolate wilderness trembles at God's voice. Kadesh was significant in Israel's history (Num. 13-14)—location of rebellion and judgment. Reformed theology sees God's voice as both creative and judicial—it creates order and executes judgment. Geography and history intersect as God's power extends over all places and times.

## Historical Context

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The wilderness of Kadesh was where Israel rebelled against entering Canaan, resulting in forty years wandering (Num. 14). God's shaking voice represents His judgment against rebellion—even empty wilderness cannot escape His authority.

## Related Passages

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**John 3:16** — God's love and salvation

**Romans 10:9** — Confession and belief for salvation

**Hebrews 11:1** — Definition of faith

**James 2:17** — Faith and works

## Study Questions

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1. What 'wilderness' experiences in your life has God's voice shaken?
2. How does God's power over desolate places assure His presence in your spiritual deserts?

## Interlinear Text

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וְאֵת	וְאֵת	הַ	וְהַ	יְלֹא	יְלֹא	מִلְבָד	רַ	מִלְבָד	רַ	וְהַ	יְלֹא	יְלֹא	וְהַ
<b>The voice</b>	<b>of the LORD</b>			<b>shaketh</b>		<b>the wilderness</b>		<b>shaketh</b>		<b>of the LORD</b>			
H6963	H3068			H2342		H4057		H2342		H3068			

  

מִלְבָד	רַ	מִלְבָד	רַ	קָדֵשׁ	וְ
<b>the wilderness</b>	<b>of Kadesh</b>			H4057	H6946

## Additional Cross-References

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**Numbers 13:26** (Parallel theme): And they went and came to Moses, and to Aaron, and to all the congregation of the children of Israel, unto the wilderness of Paran, to Kadesh; and brought back word unto them, and unto all the congregation, and shewed them the fruit of the land.

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