

A Message Concerning Mo'ab

48: 1-47

Sometime between 604 and 601 BC during the eleven-year reign of Jehoiakim

The country of **Mo'ab** was east of the Dead Sea in what is present-day Jordan. It was separated from **Edom** on the south by the Zered River and from **Ammon** on the north by the Arnon River. **Jeremiah** listed many of the **Moabite** cities that **God** would send the Babylonians to destroy. Much of the imagery used by **Isaiah** (see the commentary on **Isaiah Dx - My Heart Laments for Moab Like a Harp**) mirrors that of **Jeremiah**. Other prophets also mention the destruction of **Mo'ab** (**Isaiah 15:1 to 16:14; Ezk 25:8-11; Amos 2:1-3; Zeph 2:8-11**). But here **Jeremiah** tells us more about **Mo'ab** than all of the information we have from the ancient world combined (which means we know very little about **Mo'ab**).