

Bamot (“high places”) in and around the Solomon story

106 times in Hebrew Scriptures distributed as:

Leviticus: once (26.30)

Numbers: twice (21.28; 35.32)

Deuteronomy: thrice (Deut 32.13; 33.29)

1 Samuel: 7x (all in 9.12-10.13)

2 Samuel: 3x (1.19, 25; 22.34)

1 Kings: 13x (see below)

2 Kings: 27x (starting at 12.4)

Isaiah: 6x

Jeremiah: 6x

Ezekiel: 7x

Hosea: once

Amos: twice

Micah: 4x

Psalms: twice

Job: once

1 Chronicles: twice

2 Chronicles: 17x

3.2	<u>The people were sacrificing at the high places, however, because no house had yet been built for the name of YHWH.</u>
3.4	<u>The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the great high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar.</u>
11.7	<u>Then Solomon built a high place for Chemosh the abomination of Moab, and for Molech the abomination of the Ammonites, on the mountain east of Jerusalem.</u>
12.31-32	<u>[Jeroboam] also made houses on high places, and appointed priests from among all the people, who were not Levites. Jeroboam appointed a festival on the fifteenth day of the eighth month like the festival that was in Judah, and he offered sacrifices on the altar; so he did in Bethel, sacrificing to the calves that he had made.</u>
13.1-2	<u>While Jeroboam was standing by the altar to offer incense, a man of God came out of Judah by the word of YHWH to Bethel and proclaimed against the altar by the word of YHWH, and said, "O altar, altar, thus says YHWH: 'A son shall be born to the house of David, <u>Josiah by name</u>; and <u>he shall sacrifice on you the priests of the high places</u> who offer incense on you, and human bones shall be burned on you.'"</u>
13.32-33	<u>For the saying that [the man of God] proclaimed by <u>the word of YHWH against the altar in Bethel, and against all the houses of the high places</u> that are in the cities of Samaria, shall surely come to pass." Even after this event <u>Jeroboam did not turn from his evil way but made priests for the high places</u> again from among all the people; any who wanted to be priests he consecrated for the high places.</u>
14.23	<u>For [Judah] also built for themselves high places, pillars, and sacred poles on every high hill and under every green tree...</u>