

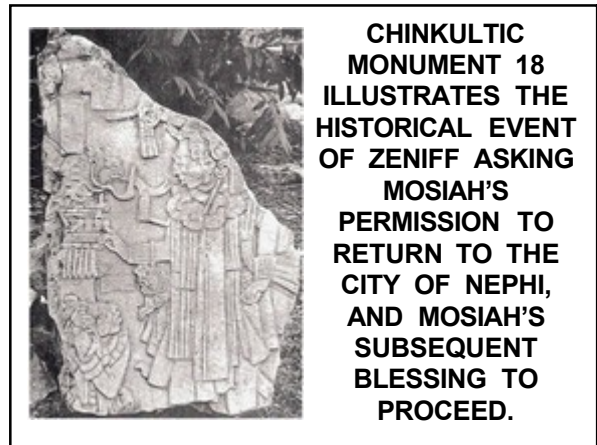
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AT CHINKULTIC WE FIND SEVERAL FEATURES THAT IDENTIFIES IT AS THE CITY OF NEPHI. FIRST, IT IS OVER 5,000 FEET HIGHER IN ELEVATION WHICH MAKES IT AN ACCURATE STATEMENT WHEN THE BOOK OF MORMON SAYS MOSIAH WENT DOWN TO ZARAHEMLA.

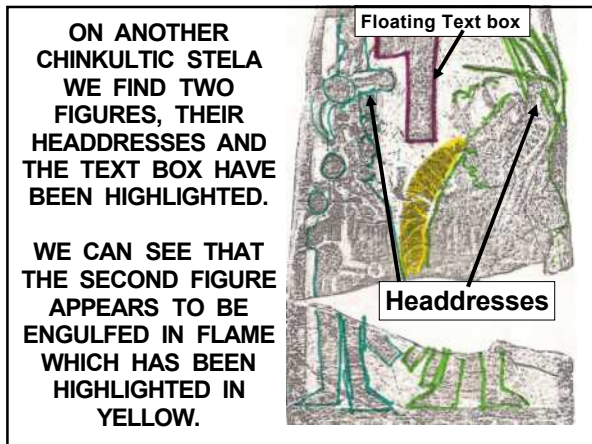
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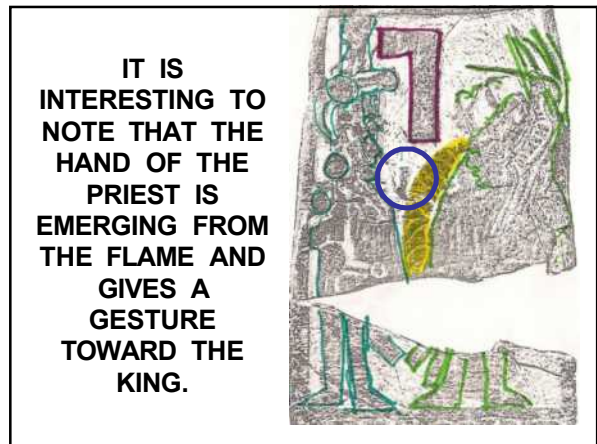
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THIS ASPECT SEEMS TO REFLECT STATEMENTS MADE IN THE BOOK OF MORMON CONCERNING THE DEATH OF ABINADI.




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MONUMENT 3 IS A DEPICTION OF THE 24 PRIESTS OF KING NOAH.





THESE PRIESTS HAD KIDNAPPED 24 LAMANITE WOMEN AND ARE SHOWN HERE AFTER BEING CAPTURED BY THE LAMANITE WARRIORS.

THE LAMANITE WOMEN BEGGED FOR THE LIVES OF THEIR HUSBANDS, WHICH WAS GRANTED.



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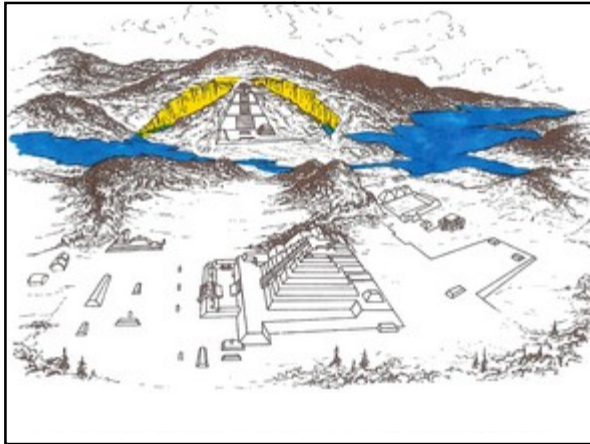





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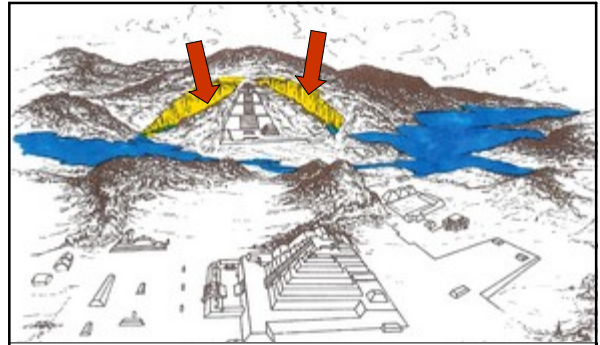
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ONE OF THE MORE INTERESTING STORIES CONCERNING THE CITY OF NEPHI IS THE SECRET PASS THROUGH WHICH KING LIMHI'S PEOPLE ESCAPE AT NIGHT. CHINKULTIC HAS A UNIQUE FEATURE THAT FITS THIS NARRATIVE.

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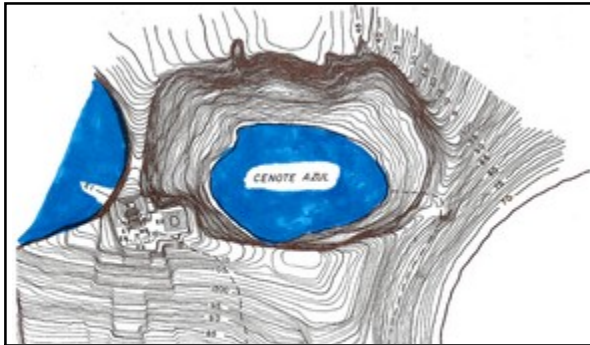


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THE ANCIENT CITY HAS A BACKDROP OF EXTREMELY HIGH CLIFFS. NOW, FOR A VIEW FROM VERTICAL.

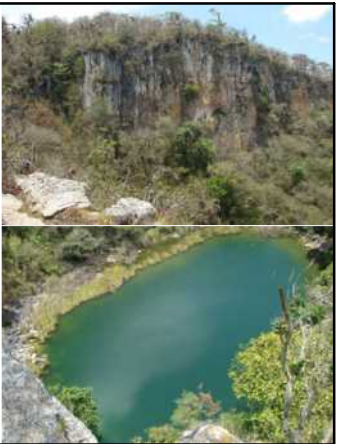
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THIS TOPOGRAPHICAL MAP ILLUSTRATES THE "SECRET" PASS. IT IS INVISIBLE FROM A FRONTAL VIEW.

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HERE WE SEE THE CLIFFS BEHIND THE TEMPLE AND WATER 200 FEET BELOW THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE PASS.



THE LEFT SIDE OF THE PASS IS EQUALLY IMPRESSIVE.

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THIS IS THE TEMPLE AT THE TOP OF THE MOUND THAT BLOCKS DIRECT VIEW OR ACCESS TO THE SECRET PASS



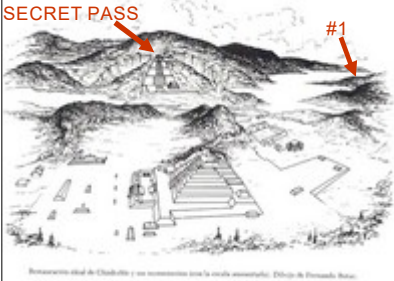
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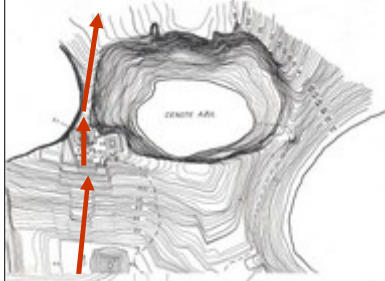
FROM THIS PERSPECTIVE DRAWING OF CHINKULTIC IT BECOMES EVIDENT THAT THE SECRET PASS IS HIDDEN FROM ALL OBSERVATIONS INTO THE CITY.

THE BOOK OF MORMON STATES THAT THE NEPHITES ESCAPED TO THE LEFT OF THE LAMANITE CAMP (#1). FROM THEIR CAMP, THE PASS CANNOT BE SEEN.



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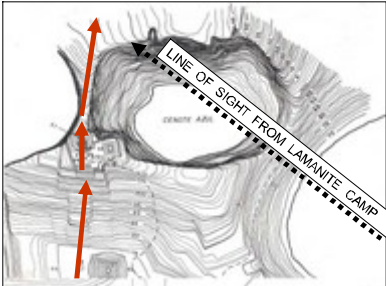
THE GROUP LED BY KING LIMHI WOULD HAVE LEFT THE CITY BY THE ROUTE INDICATED WHILE UNDER THE COVER OF DARKNESS.



ESTIMATES INDICATE THAT MORE THAN 20,000 PEOPLE COULD HAVE ESCAPED IN A SIX HOUR PERIOD.

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IT IS IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER THAT NOT ONLY DID THE ESCAPE OCCUR AT NIGHT, BUT LIMHI'S PEOPLE HAD GOTTEN THE LAMANITES DRUNK.



MOREOVER, FROM THE VANTAGE POINT OF THE LAMANITE CAMP, NO ONE COULD SEE THE SECRET PASS.

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LOOKING TOWARD THE LAMANITE CAMPSITE.



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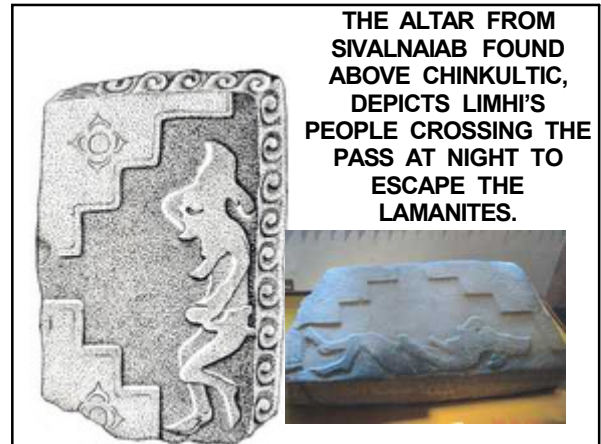
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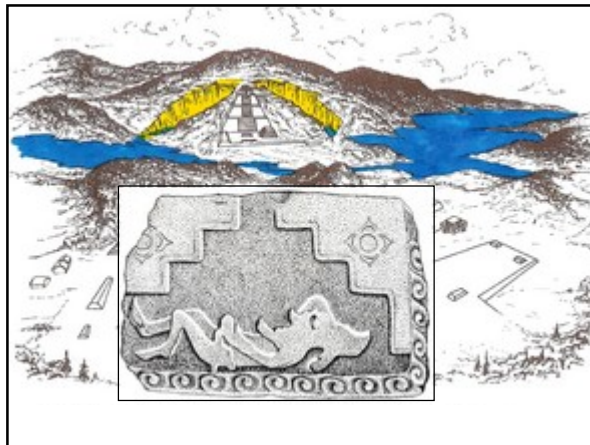
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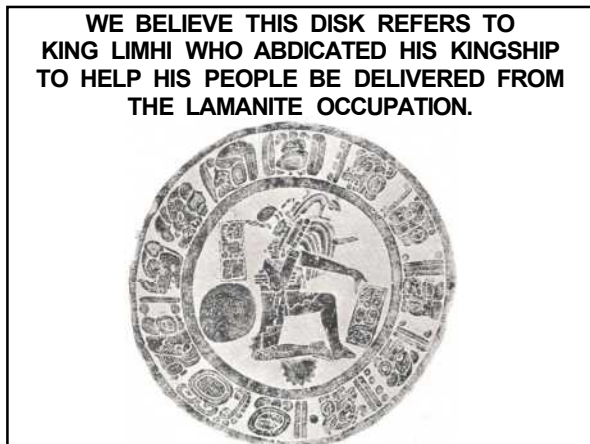
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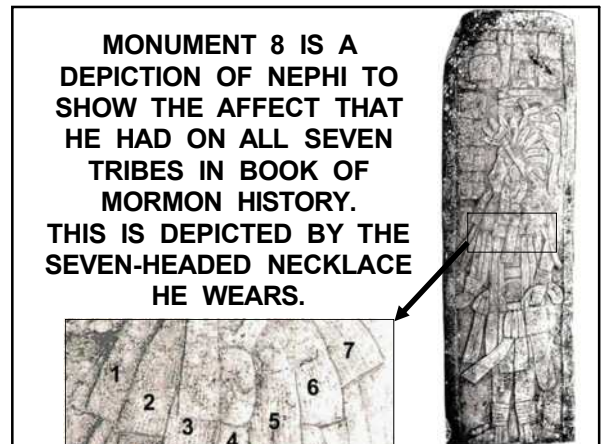
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AGAIN, AFTER ASSESSING THE ENTIRE BODY OF EVIDENCE FOUND HERE AT CHINKULTIC, WE FIND A LENGTHY LIST OF REASONS TO IDENTIFY THIS SITE AS A DIRECT PARALLEL TO THE CITY OF NEPHI. WE ARE THEREFORE ENCOURAGED TO CONTINUE IGNORING THE OFFICIAL DATES ASSIGNED TO MAYAN CULTURE.

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FURTHER, THIS LIST IS COMPILED OF STRONG, STORY-SPECIFIC EVIDENCES THAT ARE UNIQUE TO THE BOOK OF MORMON STORY. MOSIAH, ABINADI, LIMHI AND THE MISSIONARY NEPHI ARE ALL FROM DIFFERENT ERAS SPECIFIC TO THE CITY OF NEPHI; AND YET HERE THEY ARE RECORDED IN STONE.

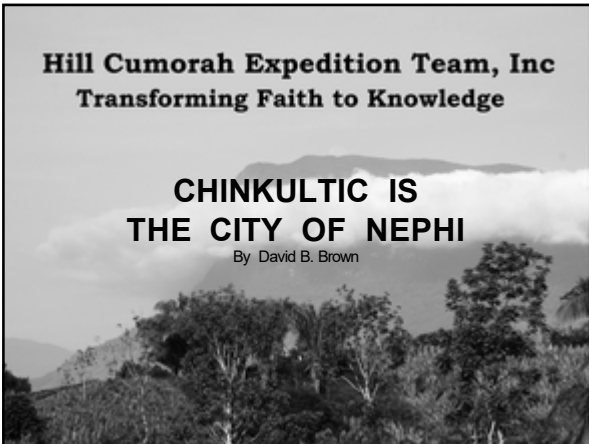
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AND, INCREDIBLY, THE PHYSICAL FEATURES OF THIS SITE FITTING THE "LIMHI SECRET PASS" STORY SO PERFECTLY, ONLY SERVES TO PUT AN EXCLAMATION POINT ON THE CLAIM THAT CHINKULTIC IS THE CITY OF NEPHI.

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WE CONTINUE TO STATE THE CLAIM THAT THIS TREND WILL CONTINUE AS WE MOVE FORWARD AND INVESTIGATE THE MAYAN CULTURE AS A PARALLEL TO THE STORIES IN THE BOOK OF MORMON.

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