

## COINS FROM THE EXCAVATIONS AT TELL NIMRIN

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The coins described here were found during the course of excavations at Tell Nimrin. Tell Nimrin is a town situated on the eastern edge of modern Shuna ej-Junubiyah, Jordan, along the east-west road that runs from Shuna to Sait via the Wadi Shu'aib. In the summer excavations of 1989 and 1990, the earliest occupation was dated to the transitional Early Bronze IV/Middle Bronze I period, ca. 2000 B.C. All periods were represented at the site except for the Late Bronze Age (ca. 1500-1000 B.C.) and possibly a later gap during Iron II (ca. 700-550 B.C.). Other than these times, the site seems to have been inhabited continuously from its foundation down to the present.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> For earlier reports on the site see J. W. Flanagan and D. W. McCreery, "First Preliminary Report on the 1989 Tell Nimrin Project," *ADAJ* 34 (1990), pp. 131-52; R. H. Dornemann, "Preliminary Comments on the Pottery Traditions at Tell Nimrin, Illustrated from the 1989 Season of Excavations," *ADAJ* 34 (1990), pp. 153-81; J. W. Flanagan, D. W. McCreery, and K. N. Yassine, "Preliminary Report of the 1990 Excavation at Tell Nimrin," *ADAJ* 36 (1992), pp. 89-111. A list of abbreviations used in this article follows the article.