

# Recovery of Masada - a study in collective memory.

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In 1923 the excellent Hebrew translation of Josephus by Dr. Edited, translated, and with an introduction by Lewis A.

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They were a group of thieves and assassins who killed and robbed other Jews. Barnett , Sociological Quarterly, 27, Summer, 1986 : 147-164. Each issue is designed for efficient browsing and reading and the articles are helpful for teaching and classroom use.

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Prior to the beginning of the revolt, Masada was taken over by force—probably by the Sicarii headed by Manachem in 66 A.

### Readings

The unpleasant impression is that the Sicarii on Masada, so adept at raiding nearby villages, were not really good fighters and, in fact, avoided opportunities to fight. Fourth, why and when was the Masada mythical narrative created? The Roman legion surrounded Masada and built a circumvallation wall, before commencing construction of a siege ramp against the western face of the plateau, moving thousands of tons of stones and beaten earth to do so. Unquestionably, as an historical source, Josephus provides a problematic account.

### The Masada Myth

This act itself clearly instilled in both the Roman soldiers and Josephus a respect for those rebels. Although Josephus does not state the specific size of the 10th Roman legion, which carried out the siege on Masada, it seems safe to assume that it was probably composed of a minimum of 6,000 soldiers the estimate found in the literature.

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