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[1] Bruce Wells. "Exodus" in Zondervan Illustrated Bible Backgrounds Commentary: Volume 1. Ed. John H. Walton. (Grand Rapids: MI: Zondervan, 2009), 190-191.



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