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Settlement in Crusader Transjordan (1100-1189)

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The *Lordship of Transjordan*, part of the Crusader kingdom of Jerusalem during the 12th century, is usually assumed to have had more or less the sole function of serving as the southeastern frontier of the kingdom, and that it was rather isolated from the rest of the kingdom. Through the detailed analysis and combination of all available sources, this study shows that this image of a series of castles in a largely deserted area originates primarily from a scarcity of research, and that it does not reflect the evidence offered by the sources, which indicate that the region had a much more complex identity. The conclusions have provided rich information on the dynamics, variety and timing of settlement in the region, on socio-economic aspects, and on the great significance of Transjordan to the Latin kingdom of Jerusalem.

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