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61; and Michael Sokoloff, *Dictionary of Jewish Babylonian Aramaic of the Talmudic and Geonic Periods* (Bar Ilan Univ. Press, 2002), 1107. I thank my friend Robert Smith for the last two references.

- 8. The transcription in the Book of Mormon of a Hebrew word would mask the difference because in English we have only the letter s for Semitic /s/, /s/, and /s/.
- 9. There is some question about the quality of the sibilants in this word. It would appear that the Ugaritic cognate is *tbš* (see *HALOT*, DWI). The issue is complicated because the Akkadian cuneiform script often does not distinguish between the sibilants /š/, /ś/, and /s/.
- 10. The theme vowel of the passive participle in Hebrew is $\langle \bar{o} \rangle$, from an original $\langle \bar{u} \rangle$, and the theme vowel of the stative verbal form is $\langle u \rangle$. A stative verbal form denotes a condition, such as the Hebrew word meaning to be sick, *marus*.

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11. CAD, 17:4, s.v. šabāsu.

Nibley Fellows, 2011-2012

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