

The water came up on the cities Onihah, Mocum and Jerusalem

3 Nephi 9:7 Yea, and the city of Onihah and the inhabitants thereof, and the city of Mocum and the inhabitants thereof, and the city of Jerusalem and the inhabitants thereof; and waters have I caused to come up in the stead thereof, to hide their wickedness and abominations from before my face, that the blood of the prophets and the saints shall not come up any more unto me against them.

La Tinta is located on top of an ancient landslide, a city that is fairly close to the City of Jerusalem. The fact that they were mentioned in the same verse could mean they were close and in the same situation. It is also positioned along the Polochic river and fault line. When the landslide occurred during ancient times it would back up the water up over one hundred feet, however over the centuries of time the area north of La Tinta has been silted in and is around one hundred feet higher than the land on the east side of town. There are other less obvious landslides along this river that could be considered as another location for Onihah or Mocum.

