

Learn to Read the Bible Effectively Seminar

WORD MEANINGS

Workshop/Homework Study Sheet #2

Looking at the original Hebrew & Greek words!

Looking up the meanings of Bible words in the original Hebrew or Greek language can be very eye-opening. The KJV Bible has been exhaustively referenced by Strong's Concordance so that every significant word can be examined. Strong's has assigned a number to each word in alphabetical order. For example, in Genesis 1:1, "In the beginning" – the word 'beginning' is assigned the number H7225 (H= Hebrew for the O.T.) Using a free Bible program, we can discover in seconds that the Hebrew word is 'reshiyth', and means, "*the first, in place, time, order or rank (specifically a firstfruit)*" – and is used throughout the KJV as '*beginning, chief (-est), first (fruits) part, time, principle, thing.*'

It is very easy to download the FREE **My Sword Bible** App for Android, and **E-Sword** for Apple. This gives you the ability to study the Bible on your phone or computer, compare different translations, look up Strong's Hebrew and Greek Lexicon, read popular commentaries and even write your own insights and study notes directly on your smartphone or tablet. It's very easy to use.

Starting with the very first book of the Bible, one significant word that is interesting to examine is 'SOUL'.

What do you think of when you hear the English word 'soul'? _____

Who or what do you think has a soul? _____

Is there a difference between having a soul and being a soul? Explain. _____

Where is the first place that 'soul' appears in the KJV Bible? _____

What is the Hebrew word for 'soul'? _____

What is the Strong's meaning? _____

What is the Greek word for 'soul'? (See Matthew 16:26) _____

What is the Strong's meaning? _____

If you have a Bible App or a Lexicon, do a search for the Hebrew number for 'soul' and see how else this word is translated in the Old Testament? Note any significant passages. _____

If you have a Bible App or a Lexicon, do a search for the Greek number for 'soul' and see how else this word is translated in the New Testament? Note any significant passages. _____

Search the phrase 'immortal soul' and write down any passages that you find:

TAKE THE INVESTIGATION DEEPER

If you are interested in doing a more extensive investigation, we have attached a chart with many unique usages of the Hebrew and Greek words for 'soul' in the KJV. See what characteristics apply to a "soul".

Who is a soul? _____

Can a soul die? _____

What physical activities is a 'soul' capable of? _____

List any passages that suggest a soul lives forever: _____

List any passages that suggest a soul doesn't live forever: _____

If possible, find a Church Catechism or Statement of Belief online and see what they say about the "soul":

Based on your research, write your own definition of "soul":

A soul is _____

PROOF #2

THAT THE BIBLE IS INSPIRED BY GOD

ACCURATE PROPHECIES CONCERNING TYRE, BABYLON, ROME, and ISRAEL

Prophecy alone is sufficient to prove the Author of the Bible is Divine. Old Testament prophecies given 2000 to 3000 years ago, have been remarkably detailed and accurate in their fulfillment. We will look at a few key examples. The links are jam-packed with info, so enjoy the videos and articles. The prophecies concerning the nation of Israel are extensive, so we will look at it separately.

TYRE

In Ezekiel 26-28 we find a prophecy about the ancient nation of Tyre, detailing both the invasion by Babylon which destroyed the old city of Tyre on the mainland (Ezekiel 26:1-11), and also the later invasion by Alexander the Great (Ezekiel 26:3-4, 12-18). Read the detail and examine the historical accounts – and you will be amazed.

YouTube - [The Biblical Prophecy about Tyre](#)



BABYLON

In Isaiah 13 there is a prophecy about Babylon in which God says, "it will never be inhabited or lived in for all generations."

Although, Saddam Hussein tried to restore Babylon, God's Word proved true and his attempts were thwarted. Babylon is still in ruins today.

**Online: [A Prophecy about Babylon Confirms the Accuracy of the Bible](#)
by Beyond Today**



BABYLON, MEDO-PERSIA, GREECE & ROME

Daniel 2 accurately predicts the four successive major Empires of the world, while Daniel was still living in the time period of the first! The visions Daniel had in chapters 7 and 8 give details of these Empires that are amazingly accurate and could not just be his own 'lucky guesses'. They connect perfectly to the prophecy in Revelation 13.

[YouTube - Daniel 2 – The Blueprint of Bible Prophecy](#)



O.T. PASSAGES with the Hebrew word 'nephesh' KJV	COMMENTS & DETAILS
Genesis 1:21 And God created great whales, and every living creature <nephesh> that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind: and God saw that it was good.	
Genesis 1:24 And God said, Let the earth bring forth the living creature <nephesh> after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind: and it was so.	
Genesis 9:4-5 But flesh with the life <nephesh> thereof, which is the blood thereof, shall ye not eat and surely your blood of your lives <nephesh> will I require; at the hand of every beast will I require it, and at the hand of man; at the hand of every man's brother will I require the life <nephesh> of man.	
Genesis 35:18 And it came to pass, as her soul <nephesh> was in departing, (for she died) that she called his name Benoni: but his father called him Benjamin.	
Exodus 4:19 And the LORD said unto Moses in Midian, Go, return into Egypt: for all the men are dead which sought thy life <nephesh> .	
Leviticus 5:2 Or if a soul <nephesh> touch any unclean thing, whether it be a carcase of an unclean beast, or a carcase of unclean cattle, or the carcase of unclean creeping things, and if it be hidden from him; he also shall be unclean, and guilty.	
Leviticus 17:14 For it is the life<nephesh> of all flesh; the blood of it is for the life <nephesh> thereof: therefore I said unto the children of Israel, Ye shall eat the blood of no manner of flesh: for the life <nephesh> of all flesh is the blood thereof: whosoever eateth it shall be cut off.	
Numbers 9:10 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If any man of you or of your posterity shall be unclean by reason of a dead body <nephesh> , or be in a journey afar off, yet he shall keep the passover unto the LORD.	
Deuteronomy 12:20 When the LORD thy God shall enlarge thy border, as he hath promised thee, and thou shalt say, I will eat flesh, because thy soul <nephesh> , longeth to eat flesh; thou mayest eat flesh, whatsoever thy soul <nephesh> , lusteth after.	
Joshua 11:11 And they smote all the souls <nephesh> , that were therein with the edge of the sword, utterly destroying them: there was not any left to breathe: and he burnt Hazor with fire.	
1 Samuel 22:22 And David said unto Abiathar, I knew it that day, when Doeg the Edomite was there, that he would surely tell Saul: I have occasioned the death of all the persons <nephesh> of thy father's house.	
Psalms 16:9-10 Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth: my flesh also shall rest in hope. For thou wilt not leave my soul <nephesh> in hell; neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.	
Psalms 22:29 All they that be fat upon earth shall eat and worship: all they that go down to the dust shall bow before him: and none can keep alive his own soul <nephesh> .	
Psalms 97:10 Ye that love the LORD, hate evil: he preserveth the souls <nephesh> , of his saints; he delivereth them out of the hand of the wicked.	
Proverbs 12:10 A righteous man regardeth the life <nephesh> of his beast: but the tender mercies of the wicked are cruel.	
Ezekiel 18:4 Behold, all souls <nephesh> are mine; as the soul <nephesh> of the father, so also the soul <nephesh> of the son is mine: the soul <nephesh> that sinneth, it shall die.	

N.T. PASSAGES with the Greek word 'psuche' KJV	COMMENTS & DETAILS
Matthew 2:20 ...take the young child and his mother, and go into the land of Israel: for they are dead which sought the young child's life <psuche> .	
Matthew 10:28 And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul<psuche> : but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul <psuche> and body in hell.	
Matthew 16:25-26 For whosoever will save his life <psuche> shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life <psuche> for my sake shall find it. For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul <psuche> ? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul <psuche> ?	
Matthew 20:28 Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life <psuche> a ransom for many.	
Luke 9:56 For the Son of man is not come to destroy men's lives <psuche> , but to save them. And they went to another village.	
John 10:11 I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life <psuche> for the sheep.	
Acts 2:31 He seeing this before spake of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul <psuche> was not left in hell, neither his flesh did see corruption.	
Acts 20:9-10 And there sat in a window a certain young man named Eutychus, being fallen into a deep sleep: and as Paul was long preaching, he sunk down with sleep, and fell down from the third loft, and was taken up dead. And Paul went down, and fell on him, and embracing him said, Trouble not yourselves; for his life <psuche> is in him.	
Acts 27:9-10 ...when sailing was now dangerous, because the fast was now already past, Paul admonished them, And said unto them, Sirs, I perceive that this voyage will be with hurt and much damage, not only of the lading and ship, but also of our lives <psuche> .	
1 Corinthians 15:45 And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul <psuche> ; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit.	
1 Thessalonians 5:23 And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul <psuche> and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ	
James 5:20 Let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul <psuche> from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins.	
1 John 3:16 ...because he laid down his life <psuche> for us: and we ought to lay down our lives <psuche> for the brethren.	
Revelation 6:9-10 And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls <psuche> of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held: And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?	
Revelation 8:9 And the third part of the creatures which were in the sea, and had life <psuche> , died...	
Revelation 18:14 And the fruits that thy soul <psuche> lusted after are departed from thee, and all things which were dainty and goodly are departed from thee, and thou shalt find them no more at all.	
Revelation 20:4 ... I saw the souls <psuche> of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.	

