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Introduction

I'm trying to fully understand the point that Rabbi Moshe Yoseph Koniuchowsky is talking with his emphasis on understanding the significance of *akrobustia*. This is a term that Paul *Shaul* uses to describe his ministry in contrast to the word *peritome* (circumcised) which was what the term to describe James and Peter's ministry.

ToDo: Better connect this teaching with my understanding and teaching.

H6190 *orlah* foreskin, uncircumcised

ערלה

Feminine of [H6189](#); the *prepuce*: - foreskin, + uncircumcised.

LXX related word(s) [G167](#) akatharsia * [G203](#) akrobustia *

ToDo: continue down the Strong's rabbit trail...need to look at H6189 (KJC: 36) and H6188 (KJC 1, Hab 2:16)

Total KJV Occurrences: 15 12

foreskin, 8 [Gen 17:11](#), [Gen 17:14](#), [Exo 4:23-25](#), [Lev 12:3](#), [Deu 10:16](#)

foreskins, 5 [Jos 5:3](#), [1Sa 18:25](#), [1Sa 18:27](#), [2Sa 3:14](#), [Jer 4:4](#)

uncircumcised, 2 [Gen 34:14](#), [Jer 9:25](#)

Gen 17:11-14

¹¹ And ye shall circumcise **אֶת** the flesh of your **foreskin**; and it shall be a token (**לְאוֹת**)¹ of the covenant betwixt me and you. ¹² And he that is eight days old shall be circumcised among you, every man child in your

¹ a **token** H226 *oth* Aleph Vav Tav (this is similar to the English word oath), in this case (Gen 17:11) it has a prefixed letter *lamed*.

generations, he that is born in the house, or bought with money of any stranger², which *is* not of thy seed. ¹³ He that is born in thy house, and he that is bought with thy money, must needs be circumcised: and my covenant shall be in your flesh for an everlasting covenant. ¹⁴ And the uncircumcised man child whose flesh of his **foreskin** is not circumcised, that soul shall be cut off from his people; he hath broken my covenant.³

Gen 34:14 And they said unto them, We cannot do this thing, to give our sister to one that is **uncircumcised**; for that *were* a reproach unto us:

Exo 4:23-25 ²³ And I say unto thee, Let my son go, that he may serve me: and if thou refuse to let him go, behold, I will slay thy son, *even* thy firstborn. ²⁴ And it came to pass by the way in the inn, that the LORD met him, and sought to kill him. ²⁵ Then Zipporah took a sharp stone, and cut off the **foreskin** of her son, and cast *it* at his feet, and said, Surely a bloody husband *art* thou to me.

Lev 12:3 And in the eighth day the flesh of his **foreskin** shall be circumcised.

Deu 10:16 Circumcise **תָּרַח** therefore the foreskin of your heart, and be no more stiffnecked.

Jos 5:3 And Joshua made him sharp knives, and circumcised the children⁴ of Israel at the hill of the **foreskins**.

1Sa 18:25-27 And Saul said, Thus shall ye say to David, The king desireth not any dowry, but an hundred **foreskins** of the Philistines, to be avenged of the king's enemies. But Saul thought to make David⁵ fall by the hand of the Philistines. ²⁶ And when his servants told David these words, it pleased David well to be the king's son in law: and the days were not expired. ²⁷ Wherefore David arose and went, he and his men, and slew of the Philistines two hundred men; and David brought their **foreskins**⁶, and they gave them in full tale to the king, that he might be the king's son in law. And Saul gave him Michal⁷ his daughter to wife.

2Sa 3:14 And David sent messengers to Ishbosheth Saul's son, saying, Deliver *me* my wife Michal⁸, which I espoused to me for an hundred **foreskins** of the Philistines.

Jer 4:4 Circumcise yourselves to the LORD, and take away the **foreskins** of your heart, ye men of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem: lest my fury come forth like fire, and burn that none can quench *it*, because of the evil of your doings.

Jer 9:25 Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will punish all *them which are* circumcised with the **uncircumcised**;

Nehemia Gordon (NG) says the literally means "Behold days are coming says YHVH I will punish^{H6485} **PaQaD** every circumcised with foreskin". The problem is that this doesn't make sense, so he explains in the next verse by saying there is two types of circumcision physical and spiritual (heart). either way if you don't have both your going to be punished"

² stranger, H1121 *ben* H5236 *nekar*. First occurrence of H5236.

³ If you don't cut your manliness, you will be cut off. If you don't cut a contract with YHVH, you will not have a contract with Him.

⁴ Aleph Tav – the children

⁵ Aleph Tav – David

⁶ David Aleph Tav - their foreskins

⁷ Saul Aleph Tav - Michal

⁸ deliver Aleph Tav – my wife Aleph Tav - Michal

therefore remnants for the House of Judah and the House of Israel need both.

NG also says to see this [Eze 44:7-9](#).

Jer 9:26 KJV Egypt, and Judah, and Edom, and the children of Ammon, and Moab, and all *that are* in the utmost corners, that dwell in the wilderness: for all *these nations are* uncircumcised, and all the house of Israel *are* uncircumcised in the heart.

ToDo: this needs to be put somewhere else.

Jer 3:7-11 KJV

⁷ And I said after she had done all these *things*, Turn thou unto me. But she returned not. And her treacherous sister Judah saw *it*. ⁸ And I saw, when for all the causes whereby backsliding Israel committed adultery I had put her away, and given her a bill of divorce; yet her treacherous sister Judah feared not, but went and played the harlot also. ⁹ And it came to pass through the lightness of her whoredom, that she defiled the land, and committed adultery with stones and with stocks. ¹⁰ And yet for all this her treacherous sister Judah hath not turned unto me with her whole heart, but feignedly, saith the LORD. ¹¹ And the LORD said unto me, The backsliding Israel hath justified herself more than treacherous Judah.

Notes from Gal 2:1-7 RSTNE⁹

[Gal 2:7 RSTNE](#) ⁷ But on the contrary, when they saw that the Besorah of the akrobustia ⁵⁹⁹² was committed to me, as was the Besorah of the brit milah to Kepha;

5992 The Greek word used in [Gal 2:7](#) for Shaul's ministry to the **uncircumcised** is the word **akrobustia** (Strong's G203), which literally means "**tossed-away foreskins**." He was contrasting his ministry to the uncircumcised, or the "akrobustia" with James and Peter's ministry to the circumcised, or the "**peritome**" (Strong's G4061). The same word peritome is used in describing the mission of James, Peter and John. This **peritome means those living and abiding in circumcised identity, or in other words, the "House of Judah."** The choice of "akrobustia" is fitting, as it describes just what Shaul was doing in the nations, or among the Galut-Yah. **He was first and foremost looking for the lost sheep of the House of Yisrael (Efrayim), as per Yahshua's instructions.** Akrobustia, does not mean "pagan gentiles" per se, but a select group within the gentiles, or nations. The term **akrobustia**, as opposed to peritome, **means those who were circumcised, but through disobedience and outright rebellion had their foreskins tossed away, thus becoming like one who is born and raised as an uncircumcised (aperitome) pagan gentile.** The opposite of a ministry to the peritome (which James and Peter had) would have been one to the **aperitome, or "never-circumcised."** Yet Shaul did not claim a ministry to the aperitome, or never-circumcised. His ministry, according to his own description, was to the akrobustia, or those who had undergone circumcision but had tossed it all away. ¹⁰

ToDo: finish this table or remove it

Word	Meaning	Translation	Strong's	Ministry of	House
Akrobustia			G203		
Peritome			G4061		
Aperitome					

Definitions

akrobustia: ([G203](#)) uncircumcised literally means "tossed-away foreskins". The ministry of Shaul which was first and foremost looking for the lost sheep of the House of Yisrael (Efrayim), as per Yahshua's instructions. LXX: [H6190](#) orlah

peritome: ([G4061](#)) means those living and abiding in circumcised identity, or in other words, the "House of Judah.". The ministry of James and Peter's (and John's)

aperitome: pagan gentile, one who is born and raised as an uncircumcised i.e. never-circumcised.

⁹ RSTNE: Restoration Scriptures True Name Edition by Rabbi Moshe Yoseph Koniuchowsky. See "Gal 2-1-to-7-RSTNE.doc"

¹⁰ I can accept this understanding if it's similar to the one given by the same author regarding the Bill of Divorce being nailed to the cross which happened 700+ years prior to Shaul's ministry and therefore was the fault of their ancestors. If by "tossing away ones foreskin" means not just the foreskin of those who were given the bill of divorce 700+ years ago but all of their proceeding generations, then I would agree with this term. Not sure I need this footnote, I mean the generation of the people who lived 700 years ago are dead Duh.

G564 *aperitmetos* uncircumcised

ἀπερίτμητος

From G1 (as a negative particle) and a presumed derivative of G4059; *uncircumcised* (figuratively): - uncircumcised.

KJC: **uncircumcised, 1** Act_7:51; LXX related word(s) : H3808 lo mul , H6189 arel