

Word Study ^{H366} *ayom* terrible ^{H367} *emah* terror, fear

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Introduction

Consider these verses.

Exo 23:27-28

²⁷ I will send my fear אֲשַׁלַּח אֵימָתִי אֶת־ before thee, and will destroy וְהַמַּתִּי ^{ve-ham-mo-Ti} all the people to whom thou shalt come, and I will make all thine enemies turn their backs unto thee. ²⁸ And I will send hornets הַצְרָעָה ^{hatz-tzir-'Ah} A before thee, which shall drive out the Hivite, the Canaanite, and the Hittite, from before thee.

In the article “The-case-for-Fearing-God-and-not-just-Revering-God”, article #[279](#) I am critical of those who want to take away or water down the raw fear of YHVH. But wouldn’t you want the full force of fear on your enemies which is described in Exo 23:27-28?

The word study that is in “The-case-for-Fearing-God-and-not-just-Revering-God” did not include H366 and H367, therefore it would be a good exercise to compare and contrast. Here is a list of words found in that document.

H3372	<i>yare</i>	fear, revere
G5401	<i>phobos</i>	fear, alarm, fright (where we get phobia)
G5156	<i>tromos</i>	trembling
H6342	<i>pachad</i>	startled, fear, stand in awe, make to shake
H6343	<i>pachad</i>	fear, sudden alarm, dread, terror
H6344	<i>pachad</i>	testicle, stone (only in Job 40:17)

^A See Word-Study-H6880-tsirah-Hornet-H6879-tsara-Leper, article #[731](#). ^{H6880} *tsir'ah* צְרָעָה ^{KJC:3} Hornet(s) ^{Exo 23:28; Deu 7:20; Jos 24:12. H6879} *tsara* צָרַע ^{KJC:20} Lep(er)(rous)(ers)²⁰. By adding the *Hey* to the end of *Tsadi* + *Resh* + *Ayin* you go from **leper/leprous** to **hornet**.

Word Study

H366 *ayom* ^{KJC:3} **terrible** ³ [Son 6:4](#), [Son 6:10](#), [Hab 1:7](#)

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KJC: 3 **terrible**, 3 [Son 6:4](#), [Son 6:10](#), [Hab 1:7](#)

LXX related word(s): [G2285](#) *thambos*, [G5398](#) *phoberos*

H367 *emah* ^{KJC:17} **terr(or)(ors)(ible)**¹⁴, **fear**⁵, **dread**¹, **horror**¹, **idols**¹

אמה / אימה

Total KJV Occurrences: 17

fear, 5 [Exo 15:16](#), [Exo 23:27](#), [Ezr 3:3](#), [Job 9:34](#), [Pro 20:2](#)

terror, 4 [Deu 32:25](#), [Jos 2:9](#), [Job 33:7](#), [Isa 33:18](#)

terrors, 3 [Job 20:25](#), [Psa 55:4](#), [Psa 88:15](#)

terrible, 2 [Job 39:20](#), [Job 41:14](#)

dread, 1 [Job 13:21](#)

horror, 1 [Gen 15:12](#)

idols, 1 [Jer 50:38](#)

LXX related word(s) : [G547](#) *apeile*, [G1167](#) *deilia*, [G5156](#) *tromos*, [G5401](#) *phobos*

H3372 *yare* fear, revere – From article #279

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A primitive root; to **fear**; morally to **revere**; causatively to *frighten*: - affright, be (make) afraid, dread (-ful), (put in) fear (-ful, -fully, -ing). (be had in) reverence (-end), X see, terrible (act, -ness, thing).