

## Word Study H4951 *Misrah* government Isa 9:6-7 from H8280 *sarah* power Gen 32:28, Hos 12:3

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### Commentary

These two powerful words (one derived from the other) are powerful and noteworthy in three ways

- 1) Their infrequency: they are only used five times<sup>1</sup> (according to Strong's).
- 2) One of the translations is the actual word power. And the other translation government as in the government of God is certainly powerful
- 3) The verses that comprises the contextual usage of these words is very powerful and hits on the weightier matters of Scripture (the law and the covenant) and the topics of the two houses, and Ephraim's bill of divorce see e.g. Prince-of-Peace-Isaiah-9-6.doc

### H4951 *miśrâh*

#### מִשְׂרָה

From [H8280](#); *empire*: - government.; LXX [G746](#) arche; KJC **Occurrences: 2, government** [Isa 9:6-7](#) (2)

**Isa 9:6-7 [5-6] KJV** <sup>6</sup> For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government <sup>H4951</sup> shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father<sup>2</sup>, The Prince of Peace. <sup>7</sup> Of the increase of *his* government <sup>H4951</sup> and peace *there shall be* no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.

### H8280 *sârâh*

#### שָׂרָה

A primitive root; to *prevail*: - have power (as a prince).

LXX [G544](#) *apeitheo*, [G2933](#) *ktēma* \*; KJC **Occurrences: 3, power, 3** [Gen 32:28](#), [Hos 12:3-4](#) (2)

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<sup>1</sup> Gen 32:28 (once), Isa 9:6-7 (twice) and Hos 12:3-4 (twice).

<sup>2</sup> The Chumash (Stones Edition) translates this as "For a child has been born to us, a son has been given to us, and the authority will rest on his shoulders; He who is Wonderous Advisor, Mighty God, Eternal Father shall give him the name, Prince of Peace."

Note, this translation is found on page 1156; I added the underline for emphasis, for more details see Prince-of-Peace-Isaiah-9-6.doc.

**Gen 32:28 KJV** And he said, Thy name shall be called no more Jacob, but Israel: for as a prince<sup>H8280</sup> hast thou power with God and with men, and hast prevailed.<sup>3</sup>

**Hos 11:12-12:5 KJV** <sup>[12:1-6]</sup> **11:12** Ephraim compasseth me about with lies, and the house of Israel with deceit: but Judah yet ruleth with God, and is faithful with the saints. <sup>12:1</sup> Ephraim feedeth on wind, and followeth after the east wind: he daily increaseth lies and desolation; and they do make a covenant with the Assyrians, and oil is carried into Egypt. <sup>2</sup> The LORD hath also a controversy with Judah, and will punish Jacob according to his ways; according to his doings will he recompense him. <sup>3</sup> He took his brother by the heel in the womb, and by his strength he had power<sup>H8280</sup> with God: <sup>4</sup> Yea, he had power<sup>H8280</sup> over the angel, and prevailed: he wept, and made supplication unto him: he found him *in* Bethel, and there he spake with us; <sup>5</sup> Even the LORD God of hosts; the LORD *is* his memorial.

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<sup>3</sup> The context of this verse is Genesis 32:22-32 where Jacob wrestles with the Angel of God just before confronting his twin Esau.