

Word Study ^{H6880} *tsirah* Hornet, ^{H6879} *tsara* Leper

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Introduction

By adding the *Hey* to the end of *Tsadi* + *Resh* + *Ayin* you go from **leper/leprous** to **hornet**.

H6880 *tsir'ah* צִרְעָה ^{KJC:3} Hornet(s) ^{Exo 23:28; Deu 7:20; Jos 24:12}

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A collective feminine noun referring to hornets. The term may be literal or refer figuratively to the dread and fear that the Lord would put on the Canaanites (Exo 23:28; Deu 7:20; Jos 24:12). Related from [H6879](#)

H6879 *tsara* צָרַע ^{KJC:20} Lep(er)(rous)(ers)²⁰

צָרַע

BDB Definition

1) to be diseased of skin, be leprous; 1a) (Qal) to be a leper, 1b) (Pual) to have leprosy; Part of Speech: verb
a primitive root, TWOT : 1971

Total KJV Occurrences: 20

leper, 13 [Lev 13:45](#), [Lev 22:2-4](#) (3), [Num 5:2](#), [2Sa 3:29](#), [2Ki 5:1](#), [2Ki 5:11](#), [2Ki 5:27](#), [2Ki 15:5](#), [2Ch 26:21](#) (2), [2Ch 26:23](#)

leprous, 6 [Exo 4:6](#), [Lev 13:44](#), [Num 12:10](#) (2), [2Ki 7:3](#), [2Ch 26:20](#)

lepers, 1 [2Ki 7:8](#)

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A verb meaning to have leprosy, to be a leper. It refers to a skin disease in which the skin appears white ([Exo 4:6](#); [Lev 13:44-45](#); [Lev 14:2-3](#)). It was possibly leprosy, but there were other similar diseases as well. Most translations still render the word as leprosy ([2Sa 3:29](#); [2Ki 5:1](#), [2Ki 5:11](#), [2Ki 5:27](#)). Several people were struck with leprosy or a similar skin disease because of their rebellious attitudes ([Num 12:10](#); [2Ki 15:5](#)).