

**The Law of Money-  
Part 4: Gold**

<p><b>Since We're Talking <i>Kingdom</i>, We're Talking <i>Law</i></b></p> <p>Because we're talking about a coming <i>Kingdom</i>, and because that coming <i>Kingdom</i> is that of our LORD, SAVIOR, HIGH PRIEST, KING and GOD, namely YHVH, THE EVER-LIVING, YAHSHUA HA' MESSIACH, it makes good sense to inaugurate this column, THE SILENT PULPIT, with a discussion on Money. Why? Because if we use "money," then we worship a god, but if we use Money, then we worship The EVER-LIVING. How so? Because the "law" follows the "money" in exactly the same way that the Law follows the Money. Immoral people base their economic practices upon immoral "money;" moral people use moral Money. The Kingdom, then, will not tolerate any immoral medium of exchange and will use exclusively an honest system of weights and measures, because the Money tells us what Law applies. Where we use His Money, the Law that applies is His. Wherever we find His Law in practice, we find His Kingdom on earth.</p> <p><b>Translation Study</b></p> <p>In Part 1, we studied into usury. In Part 2, we examined into the terms translated from Hebrew and Greek into "money." In Part 3, we translated "silver." Here, we study the terms translated into "gold."</p>	<p><b>Hebrew</b></p> <p>These first two terms are the noun, <i>gold</i> (בַּצָּר) (Strong's No 1220), and its verb root, <i>to fence (in), or to defend, or to fortify</i>, (בַּצָּר) (Strong's No. 1219).</p> <p><u>Betser (בַּצָּר).</u></p> <p>&lt;<a href="http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Hebrew/hebrew.cgi?number=01220&amp;version=kjv">http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Hebrew/hebrew.cgi?number=01220&amp;version=kjv</a>&gt;</p> <table> <tr> <td>Strong's Number:</td> <td>01220</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Original Word</td> <td>Word Origin</td> </tr> <tr> <td>בַּצָּר</td> <td>from (01219)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Transliterated Word</td> <td>TDNT Entry</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Betser</td> <td>TWOT - 270a</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Phonetic Spelling</td> <td>Parts of Speech</td> </tr> <tr> <td>beh'-tser</td> <td>Noun Masculine</td> </tr> </table> <p><b>Definition</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>gold, precious ore, ring-gold</li> </ol> <p>King James Word Usage - Total: 2 gold 1, defence 1</p> <p>KJV Verse Count</p> <table> <tr> <td><u>Job</u></td> <td><u>2</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>2</td> </tr> </table> <p><u>Batsar (בַּצָּר).</u></p> <p>&lt;<a href="http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Hebrew/hebrew.cgi?number=1219&amp;version=kjv">http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Hebrew/hebrew.cgi?number=1219&amp;version=kjv</a>&gt;</p> <table> <tr> <td>Strong's Number:</td> <td>01219</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Original Word</td> <td>Word Origin</td> </tr> <tr> <td>בַּצָּר</td> <td>a primitive root</td> </tr> </table>	Strong's Number:	01220	Original Word	Word Origin	בַּצָּר	from (01219)	Transliterated Word	TDNT Entry	Betser	TWOT - 270a	Phonetic Spelling	Parts of Speech	beh'-tser	Noun Masculine	<u>Job</u>	<u>2</u>	Total	2	Strong's Number:	01219	Original Word	Word Origin	בַּצָּר	a primitive root
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<p><b>Definition</b></p> <p>1. to defend, cover, surround</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">a. (Qal) to defend</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">b. (Hiphil) to defend</p> <p>King James Word Usage - Total: 8 defend 8</p> <p>KJV Verse Count</p> <table style="margin-left: 20px;"> <tr><td>2 Kings</td><td>2</td></tr> <tr><td>Isaiah</td><td>3</td></tr> <tr><td><u>Zechariah</u></td><td><u>2</u></td></tr> <tr><td>Total</td><td>7</td></tr> </table> <p>A <i>garden</i>, then, is a fortified area, a fenced in area, an area intended by design to be defended. From the human point of view, sometimes that means an area surrounded with very high concrete walls, razor wire and security guards with fully automatic weapons. Sometimes, that means an area where the citronella candles have been burning for a while. But, from The EVER-LIVING's point of view, starting from a time that well predates razor wire, automatic weapons, chicken wire, barbed wire, castle walls, moats, armies, or backyards or porches where it's handy to have some form of anti-mosquito system, the fortified area, the fenced in area, the area intended to be defended wasn't any particular "place" on the globe. It was anyplace where "the protected ones" existed. To be "in the Garden" is to be "in God's protection." To be "in the fenced in area" is to be "in God's protection."</p> <p>While we can talk about gold as a medium of exchange, the remaining 98% of the lesson comes from seeing the origin of the concept, for it is by using the honest system of weights and</p>	2 Kings	2	Isaiah	3	<u>Zechariah</u>	<u>2</u>	Total	7	<p>measures that we bring ourselves up under God's protection. And, to understand the whole of the Law, at a foundational perspective, is to see this lesson, generally. To follow God's Law, generally, is to bring ourselves up under His protection, i.e., to seek to be in His Garden, as it were.</p> <p>So, where were Adam and Eve and the whole of the Adamic race? Maybe China, maybe Africa, maybe the Antarctica before the earth's magnetic poles shifted due to the passing of some "black hole" or other (which concept derives from the Planet X theory). Determining the geographic location of <i>the Garden</i> matters, but far more important, far more fundamental to this lesson, is the understanding that the <i>Garden</i> is a "protected area." And, not just any ol' protected area, but the area protected by GOD ALMIGHTY, Himself. <i>Gold</i>, then, isn't a concept that is necessarily limited to a precious metal coined for economic exchange purposes. <i>Gold</i> (protection, fortification) is a by-product of obedience, generally, for by <i>golden</i> behavior (thought, word, deed), we find ourselves up under His Protection, thus, in His Garden, thus in His "protected area."</p> <p>There are two more analogies to include here before moving on with the rest of the word study on <i>gold</i>. First, where Paul describes the "armor of God" in Ephesians 6, what's he talking about? He's talking about <i>gold</i>, in the most foundational sense of the term, for he's talking specifically to the by-product of obedience. One theme of his entire letter to the Ephesians is "Godliness" and how and why we know that</p>
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Godliness matters. So, in concluding and summarizing his position, Paul teaches us to be obedient, from head to toe, in every thought, word and deed. The armor of God is largely defensive (with the perspective of facing the enemy, not running, for there is precious little covering the back in Paul's description). Into what general understanding do all of the elements fit? Belt of *truth*, breastplate of *righteousness*, shoes of good news of *peace*, shield of *faith*, helmet of *salvation*, sword of the *Spirit*. The general foundation of which these are elements is obedience. The armor, the protection, the defense, the fortification, follows from obedience. It is the obedient who embody these, and who think upon them, talk about them and put them into practice. Thus, it is the obedient who *are* wearing the full armor of God. It is the obedient who *are* found "in the Garden," who *are* "protected," thus, who *are* the *gold*, the "defended," the "fortified."

Secondly, these characteristics, and, more applicably, the people who practice these characteristics, *are* the "streets of gold" that are identified in the Revelation to John. *Truth*, in particular, *is* the avenue of commerce in the Kingdom. The people who practice *truth*, in particular, *are* the avenues of commerce and of communications in the Kingdom. Gold, being a rather soft metal, is not exactly the material a competent engineer will use as a pavement for a street. Therefore, it follows that we're not talking about an actual physical condition. We could be, to be sure, but that's not the point of the analogy. The point of the analogy is

that in the Kingdom, *gold* is what covers the avenue upon which, by which, everything *moves*. Thus, *gold* (protection) being the by-product of obedience, *obedience* is the foundation of the Kingdom, and *everything* moves as a consequence of the obedience. *Truth, righteousness, peace, faith, salvation* and *Spirit*, are the characteristics of those who desire simply to be obedient, and through such obedience, constantly worship their EVER-LIVING GOD. Obedience produces *gold* (protection). Where obedience is the cause, the effect is God's protection, for our EVER-LIVING GOD *is* the Defender, the Protector, the Lord of Hosts to all who would seek to attack those obedient to Him.

The perfect national defense plan, the perfect "homeland security," as both the Nazi's and communists (KGB) have labeled it, the perfect protection against "terrorism," however that may be defined *today*, is the very same perfect plan that our EVER-LIVING GOD taught Adam and Eve in the Garden. In its most generic sense, that protection is called *gold*. At the most foundational level, *gold* is the by-product of obedience to the Law of God. From our obedience to *His* Law comes *His* Protection.<sup>1</sup> And, at the economic level, *gold*, as in precious metal that has a particular shade of yellow (unless it's white gold, which looks a lot like silver), *is* part of that honest system of weights and

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<sup>1</sup> Those who still doubt that *His* Protection is the ultimate in national defense systems are invited to review Ex. 14-15, 2 Kings 6:8-23 and 19:15-37, as but three examples.

<p>measures the use of which produces a stable marketplace. Obedience produces <i>gold</i>, and using <i>gold</i> (and silver, and honest weights and measures, generally) in the marketplace is obedience.</p> <p>God clearly set up good and evil to be in conflict. One lesson we can derive from that experience is that where the good continues to prevail and the evil continues to lose, the good becomes strengthened and the evil becomes weakened. Ultimately, the good shall forever prevail, and the evil shall be forever vanquished. At that point, the Kingdom has covered the earth, and the earth is filled with the knowledge of the Glory of God as the waters cover the sea. Isaiah 11:9, Habakuk 2:14.</p> <p>Continuing with the word study, we find these terms, as well.</p> <p><u>Batsar (בצַר).</u></p> <p>&lt;<a href="http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Hebrew/heb.cgi?number=01222&amp;version=kjv">http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Hebrew/heb.cgi?number=01222&amp;version=kjv</a>&gt;</p> <p>Strong's Number: 01222  Original Word      Word Origin  בצַר                      another form for  (01220)</p> <p>Transliterated Word      TDNT Entry  B@tsar                      TWOT - 270a</p> <p>Phonetic Spelling      Parts of Speech  bets-ar'                      Noun Masculine</p> <p>Definition  1. precious ore, gold, ring-gold</p> <p>King James Word Usage - Total: 1  gold 1</p>	<p>KJV Verse Count  <u>Job</u>    <u>1</u>  Total    1</p> <p><u>Dahab (דָּהָב).</u></p> <p>&lt;<a href="http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Hebrew/heb.cgi?number=01722&amp;version=kjv">http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Hebrew/heb.cgi?number=01722&amp;version=kjv</a>&gt;</p> <p>Strong's Number: 01722  Original Word      Word Origin  דָּהָב                      corresponding to  (02091)</p> <p>Transliterated Word      TDNT Entry  D@hab (Aramaic)              TWOT - 2668</p> <p>Phonetic Spelling      Parts of Speech  deh-hab'                      Noun Masculine</p> <p>Definition  1. gold</p> <p>King James Word Usage - Total: 23  gold 14, golden 9</p> <p>KJV Verse Count  Ezra      5  <u>Daniel</u>    <u>18</u>  Total      23</p> <p><u>Zahab (זָהָב).</u></p> <p>&lt;<a href="http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Hebrew/heb.cgi?number=02091&amp;version=kjv">http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Hebrew/heb.cgi?number=02091&amp;version=kjv</a>&gt;</p> <p>Strong's Number: 02091  Original Word      Word Origin  זָהָב                      from an unused root     meaning to shimmer</p> <p>Transliterated Word      TDNT Entry  Zahab                      TWOT - 529a</p> <p>Phonetic Spelling      Parts of Speech  zaw-hawb'                      Noun Masculine</p>
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<p><b>Definition</b>  1. gold  a. as precious metal  b. as a measure of weight  c. of brilliance, splendour (fig.)</p> <p>King James Word Usage - Total: 389  gold 348, golden 40, fair weather 1</p> <p><b>KJV Verse Count</b></p> <table> <tr><td>Genesis</td><td>8</td></tr> <tr><td>Exodus</td><td>88</td></tr> <tr><td>Leviticus</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>Numbers</td><td>23</td></tr> <tr><td>Deuteronomy</td><td>4</td></tr> <tr><td>Joshua</td><td>5</td></tr> <tr><td>Judges</td><td>2</td></tr> <tr><td>1 Samuel</td><td>6</td></tr> <tr><td>2 Samuel</td><td>6</td></tr> <tr><td>1 Kings</td><td>33</td></tr> <tr><td>2 Kings</td><td>13</td></tr> <tr><td>1 Chronicles</td><td>17</td></tr> <tr><td>2 Chronicles</td><td>41</td></tr> <tr><td>Ezra</td><td>12</td></tr> <tr><td>Nehemiah</td><td>3</td></tr> <tr><td>Esther</td><td>6</td></tr> <tr><td>Job</td><td>8</td></tr> <tr><td>Psalms</td><td>8</td></tr> <tr><td>Proverbs</td><td>7</td></tr> <tr><td>Ecclesiastes</td><td>2</td></tr> <tr><td>Solomon</td><td>3</td></tr> <tr><td>Isaiah</td><td>11</td></tr> <tr><td>Jeremiah</td><td>5</td></tr> <tr><td>Lamentations</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>Ezekiel</td><td>7</td></tr> <tr><td>Daniel</td><td>3</td></tr> <tr><td>Hosea</td><td>2</td></tr> <tr><td>Joel</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>Nahum</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>Habakkuk</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>Zephaniah</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>Haggai</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>Zechariah</td><td>5</td></tr> <tr><td><u>Malachi</u></td><td><u>1</u></td></tr> </table>	Genesis	8	Exodus	88	Leviticus	1	Numbers	23	Deuteronomy	4	Joshua	5	Judges	2	1 Samuel	6	2 Samuel	6	1 Kings	33	2 Kings	13	1 Chronicles	17	2 Chronicles	41	Ezra	12	Nehemiah	3	Esther	6	Job	8	Psalms	8	Proverbs	7	Ecclesiastes	2	Solomon	3	Isaiah	11	Jeremiah	5	Lamentations	1	Ezekiel	7	Daniel	3	Hosea	2	Joel	1	Nahum	1	Habakkuk	1	Zephaniah	1	Haggai	1	Zechariah	5	<u>Malachi</u>	<u>1</u>	<p><b>Total</b> 336</p> <p><u>Charuwts</u> (חרוץ).</p> <p>&lt;<a href="http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Hebrew/hebrew.cgi?number=02742&amp;version=kjv">http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Hebrew/hebrew.cgi?number=02742&amp;version=kjv</a>&gt;</p> <p>Strong's Number: 02742  Original Word חרוץ  Word Origin pass. participle of (02782)  Transliterated Word Charuwts  TDNT Entry TWOT - 752a,b,753a  Phonetic Spelling khaw-roots'  Parts of Speech adj</p> <p><b>Definition</b>  1. sharp-pointed, sharp, diligent n m  2. strict decision, decision  3. trench, moat, ditch  4. gold (poetical)</p> <p>King James Word Usage - Total: 18  gold 6, diligent 5, decision 2, threshing instrument 2, sharp 1, sharp things 1, wall 1</p> <p><b>KJV Verse Count</b></p> <table> <tr><td>Job</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>Psalms</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>Proverbs</td><td>9</td></tr> <tr><td>Isaiah</td><td>2</td></tr> <tr><td>Daniel</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>Joel</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>Amos</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td><u>Zechariah</u></td><td><u>1</u></td></tr> <tr><td><b>Total</b></td><td><b>17</b></td></tr> </table>	Job	1	Psalms	1	Proverbs	9	Isaiah	2	Daniel	1	Joel	1	Amos	1	<u>Zechariah</u>	<u>1</u>	<b>Total</b>	<b>17</b>
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<p><u>Charats (חָרַץ).</u></p> <p>&lt;<a href="http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Hebrew/heb.cgi?number=2782&amp;version=kjv">http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Hebrew/heb.cgi?number=2782&amp;version=kjv</a>&gt;</p> <p>Strong's Number: 02782  Original Word      Word Origin  חָרַץ                      a primitive root</p> <p>Transliterated Word      TDNT Entry  Charats                      TWOT - 752</p> <p>Phonetic Spelling      Parts of Speech  khaw-rats'              Verb</p> <p>Definition  1. to cut, sharpen, decide, decree, determine, maim, move, be decisive, be mutilated      a. (Qal)          1. to cut, mutilate          2. to sharpen          3. to decide      b. (Niphal) to be decisive</p> <p>King James Word Usage - Total: 12  determined 6, move 2, decide 1, bestir 1, maim 1, decreed 1</p> <p>KJV Verse Count</p> <table> <tr><td>Exodus</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>Leviticus</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>Joshua</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>2 Samuel</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>1 Kings</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>Job</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>Isaiah</td><td>3</td></tr> <tr><td><u>Daniel</u></td><td><u>3</u></td></tr> <tr><td>Total</td><td>12</td></tr> </table> <p>For this next noun/verb pair, the question is whether the noun completely reverses the meaning of the verb, or ideally applies the meaning.</p>	Exodus	1	Leviticus	1	Joshua	1	2 Samuel	1	1 Kings	1	Job	1	Isaiah	3	<u>Daniel</u>	<u>3</u>	Total	12	<p><u>Kethem (כֶּתֶם).</u></p> <p>&lt;<a href="http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Hebrew/heb.cgi?number=03800&amp;version=kjv">http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Hebrew/heb.cgi?number=03800&amp;version=kjv</a>&gt;</p> <p>Strong's Number: 03800  Original Word      Word Origin  כֶּתֶם                      from (03799)</p> <p>Transliterated Word      TDNT Entry  Kethem                      TWOT - 1057</p> <p>Phonetic Spelling      Parts of Speech  keh'-them              Noun Masculine</p> <p>Definition  1. gold, pure gold</p> <p>King James Word Usage - Total: 9  fine gold 4, gold 2, most 1, golden wedge 1, pure gold 1</p> <p>KJV Verse Count</p> <table> <tr><td>Job</td><td>3</td></tr> <tr><td>Psalms</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>Proverbs</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>Solomon</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>Isaiah</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>Lamentations</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td><u>Daniel</u></td><td><u>1</u></td></tr> <tr><td>Total</td><td>9</td></tr> </table> <p><u>Katham (כָּתַם).</u></p> <p>&lt;<a href="http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Hebrew/heb.cgi?number=3799&amp;version=kjv">http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Hebrew/heb.cgi?number=3799&amp;version=kjv</a>&gt;</p> <p>Strong's Number: 03799  Original Word      Word Origin  כָּתַם                      a primitive root</p> <p>Transliterated Word      TDNT Entry  Katham                      TWOT - 1055</p> <p>Phonetic Spelling      Parts of Speech  kaw-tham'              Verb</p>	Job	3	Psalms	1	Proverbs	1	Solomon	1	Isaiah	1	Lamentations	1	<u>Daniel</u>	<u>1</u>	Total	9
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<p><b>Definition</b>  1. (Niphal) to be stained, be defiled, be deeply stained</p> <p>King James Word Usage - Total: 1 marked 1</p> <p>KJV Verse Count  <u>Jeremiah</u> 1  Total 1</p> <p>Being defiled, which seems the obvious context, is a bad thing. So, is “fine gold” a defiled thing (kethem) or a protected thing (betser)? The answer rather much depends upon who our god is or Who our God is.</p> <p><u>Madhebah</u> (מִדְּהַבָּה).</p> <p>&lt;<a href="http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Hebrew/heb.cgi?number=04062&amp;version=kjv">http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Hebrew/heb.cgi?number=04062&amp;version=kjv</a>&gt;</p> <p>Strong's Number: 04062  Original Word Word Origin  מִדְּהַבָּה perhaps from the equivalent of (01722)</p> <p>Transliterated Word TDNT Entry  Madhebah TWOT - 2125d</p> <p>Phonetic Spelling Parts of Speech  mad-hay-baw' Noun Feminine</p> <p><b>Definition</b>  1. boisterous, raging, behaviour, boisterous behaviour  2. (CLBL) golden city, exactness of gold</p> <p>King James Word Usage - Total: 1 golden city 1</p> <p>KJV Verse Count  <u>Isaiah</u> 1</p>	<p><b>Total</b> 1</p> <p>It's interesting, and not surprising, that the gender for <i>golden city</i> is feminine.</p> <p><u>Cagowr</u> (גֹּר).</p> <p>&lt;<a href="http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Hebrew/heb.cgi?number=05458&amp;version=kjv">http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Hebrew/heb.cgi?number=05458&amp;version=kjv</a>&gt;</p> <p>Strong's Number: 05458  Original Word Word Origin  גֹּר from (05462)</p> <p>Transliterated Word TDNT Entry  C@gowr TWOT - 1462a</p> <p>Phonetic Spelling Parts of Speech  seg-ore' Noun Masculine</p> <p><b>Definition</b>  1. enclosure, encasement, fine gold</p> <p>King James Word Usage - Total: 2 gold 1, caul 1</p> <p>KJV Verse Count  Job 1  <u>Hosea</u> 1  Total 2</p> <p><u>Cagar</u> (גָּר).</p> <p>&lt;<a href="http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Hebrew/heb.cgi?number=5462&amp;version=kjv">http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Hebrew/heb.cgi?number=5462&amp;version=kjv</a>&gt;</p> <p>Strong's Number: 05462  Original Word Word Origin  גָּר a primitive root</p> <p>Transliterated Word TDNT Entry  Cagar TWOT - 1462</p> <p>Phonetic Spelling Parts of Speech  saw-gar' Verb</p>
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<p><b>Definition</b>  1. to shut, close  a. (Qal)  1. to shut  2. to close, close up  3. closed up, closely joined,  shut up  b. (Niphal)  1. to be shut up  2. to be shut or closed  c. (Piel) to shut up, deliver up  d. (Pual) to be shut up  e. (Hiphil)  1. to deliver up  2. to shut up, imprison</p> <p>King James Word Usage - Total: 91  shut 40, shut up 12, deliver 9, pure 8,  deliver up 7, shut in 3, give up 2, gave  over 2, inclosed 1, repaired 1, closed 1,  shutting 1, stop 1, straitly 1, together 1,  close up 1</p> <p>KJV Verse Count</p> <table> <tr><td>Genesis</td><td>4</td></tr> <tr><td>Exodus</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>Leviticus</td><td>11</td></tr> <tr><td>Numbers</td><td>2</td></tr> <tr><td>Deuteronomy</td><td>2</td></tr> <tr><td>Joshua</td><td>4</td></tr> <tr><td>Judges</td><td>3</td></tr> <tr><td>1 Samuel</td><td>10</td></tr> <tr><td>2 Samuel</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>1 Kings</td><td>6</td></tr> <tr><td>2 Kings</td><td>5</td></tr> <tr><td>2 Chronicles</td><td>5</td></tr> <tr><td>Nehemiah</td><td>2</td></tr> <tr><td>Job</td><td>5</td></tr> <tr><td>Psalms</td><td>6</td></tr> <tr><td>Ecclesiastes</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>Isaiah</td><td>6</td></tr> <tr><td>Jeremiah</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>Lamentations</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>Ezekiel</td><td>6</td></tr> </table>	Genesis	4	Exodus	1	Leviticus	11	Numbers	2	Deuteronomy	2	Joshua	4	Judges	3	1 Samuel	10	2 Samuel	1	1 Kings	6	2 Kings	5	2 Chronicles	5	Nehemiah	2	Job	5	Psalms	6	Ecclesiastes	1	Isaiah	6	Jeremiah	1	Lamentations	1	Ezekiel	6	<table> <tr><td>Amos</td><td>3</td></tr> <tr><td>Obadiah</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td><u>Malachi</u></td><td><u>1</u></td></tr> <tr><td>Total</td><td>87</td></tr> </table> <p>Where fine gold is an imprisonment,  are we imprisoned to “man” or close/  closely joined to The EVER-LIVING?</p> <p><u>Tsoraphiy (צַרְפִּי).</u></p> <p>&lt;<a href="http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Hebrew/heb.cgi?number=06885&amp;version=kjv">http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Hebrew/heb.cgi?number=06885&amp;version=kjv</a>&gt;</p> <table> <tr><td>Strong's Number:</td><td>06885</td></tr> <tr><td>Original Word</td><td>Word Origin</td></tr> <tr><td>צַרְפִּי</td><td>from (06884)</td></tr> <tr><td>Transliterated Word</td><td>TDNT Entry</td></tr> <tr><td>Tsor@phiy</td><td>TWOT - 1972a</td></tr> <tr><td>Phonetic Spelling</td><td>Parts of Speech</td></tr> <tr><td>tso-ref-ee'</td><td>Noun Masculine</td></tr> </table> <p><b>Definition</b>  1. goldsmiths</p> <p>King James Word Usage - Total: 1  goldsmith 1</p> <p>KJV Verse Count</p> <table> <tr><td><u>Nehemiah</u></td><td><u>1</u></td></tr> <tr><td>Total</td><td>1</td></tr> </table> <p>In the same way that it's not  surprising that the <i>golden city</i> is  feminine, it's not surprising that  <i>goldsmith</i> is masculine.</p> <p><u>Tsaraph (צַרַּף).</u></p> <p>&lt;<a href="http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Hebrew/heb.cgi?number=06884&amp;version=kjv">http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Hebrew/heb.cgi?number=06884&amp;version=kjv</a>&gt;</p>	Amos	3	Obadiah	1	<u>Malachi</u>	<u>1</u>	Total	87	Strong's Number:	06885	Original Word	Word Origin	צַרְפִּי	from (06884)	Transliterated Word	TDNT Entry	Tsor@phiy	TWOT - 1972a	Phonetic Spelling	Parts of Speech	tso-ref-ee'	Noun Masculine	<u>Nehemiah</u>	<u>1</u>	Total	1
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<p>to the base of (5490) through the idea of a channel), meaning a storm (as pouring rain)</p> <p>Transliterated Word TDNT Entry Cheimon None</p> <p>Phonetic Spelling Parts of Speech khi-mone' Noun Masculine</p> <p>Definition 1. winter a. stormy or rainy weather, a tempest b. winter, the winter season</p> <p>King James Word Usage - Total: 6 winter 4, tempest 1, foul weather 1</p> <p>KJV Verse Count Matthew 2 Mark 1 John 1 Acts 1 <u>2 Timothy 1</u> Total 6</p> <p><u>Cheir (χείρ) (from 5494).</u></p> <p>&lt;<a href="http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Greek/grk.cgi?number=5495&amp;version=kjv">http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Greek/grk.cgi?number=5495&amp;version=kjv</a>&gt;</p> <p>Strong's Number: 5495 Original Word Word Origin χείρ perhaps from the base of (5494) in the sense of its congener the base of (5490) (through the idea of hollowness for grasping)</p> <p>Transliterated Word TDNT Entry Cheir 9:424,1309</p>	<p>Phonetic Spelling Parts of Speech khire Noun Feminine</p> <p>Definition 1. by the help or agency of any one, by means of any one 2. fig. applied to God symbolising his might, activity, power a. in creating the universe b. in upholding and preserving (God is present protecting and aiding one) c. in punishing d. in determining and controlling the destinies of men</p> <p>King James Word Usage - Total: 179 hand 178, not translated 1</p> <p>KJV Verse Count Matthew 23 Mark 22 Luke 25 John 13 Acts 45 Romans 1 1 Corinthians 4 2 Corinthians 1 Galatians 2 Ephesians 1 Colossians 1 1 Thessalonians 1 2 Thessalonians 1 1 Timothy 3 2 Timothy 1 Philemon 1 Hebrews 6 James 1 1 Peter 1 1 John 1 <u>Revelation 17</u> Total 171</p>
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<p><u>Chraomai (χράομαι) (from 5495).</u></p> <p>&lt;<a href="http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Greek/grk.cgi?number=5530&amp;version=kjv">http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Greek/grk.cgi?number=5530&amp;version=kjv</a>&gt;</p> <p>Strong's Number: 5530 Original Word Word Origin χράομαι middle voice of a primary verb (perhaps rather from (5495), to handle)</p> <p>Transliterated Word TDNT Entry Chraomai None Phonetic Spelling Parts of Speech khrah'-om-ahee Verb</p> <p>Definition 1. to receive a loan 2. borrow 3. to take for one's use, to use     a. to make use of a thing</p> <p>King James Word Usage - Total: 11 use 10, entreat 1</p> <p>KJV Verse Count Acts 2 1 Corinthians 4 2 Corinthians 3 <u>1 Timothy</u> 2 Total 11</p> <p><u>Chrusos (χρυσός) (from 5530).</u></p> <p>&lt;<a href="http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Greek/grk.cgi?number=5557&amp;version=kjv">http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Greek/grk.cgi?number=5557&amp;version=kjv</a>&gt;</p> <p>Strong's Number: 5557 Original Word Word Origin χρυσός perhaps from the base of (5530) (through the idea of</p>	<p>the utility of the metal), gold</p> <p>Transliterated Word TDNT Entry Chrusos None Phonetic Spelling Parts of Speech khroo-sos' Noun Masculine</p> <p>Definition 1. precious things made of gold, golden ornaments     a. an image made of gold     b. stamped gold, gold coin</p> <p>King James Word Usage - Total: 13 gold 13</p> <p>KJV Verse Count Matthew 4 Acts 1 1 Corinthians 1 1 Timothy 1 James 1 <u>Revelation</u> 4 Total 12</p> <p>There are a three terms in this line that are derived from 5557.</p> <p><u>Chruseos (χρυσούς) (from 5557).</u></p> <p>&lt;<a href="http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Greek/grk.cgi?number=5552&amp;version=kjv">http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Greek/grk.cgi?number=5552&amp;version=kjv</a>&gt;</p> <p>Strong's Number: 5552 Original Word Word Origin χρυσούς from (5557) Transliterated Word TDNT Entry Chruseos None Phonetic Spelling Parts of Speech khroo'-seh-os Adjective</p>
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<p><b>Definition</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. golden</li> <li>2. made of gold</li> <li>3. overlaid or covered with gold</li> </ol> <p>King James Word Usage - Total: 18 golden 15, of gold 3</p> <p>KJV Verse Count</p> <p>2 Timothy 1 Hebrews 1 <u>Revelation</u> 14 Total 16</p> <p><u>Chrusion</u> (χρυσίον) (from 5557).</p> <p>&lt;<a href="http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Greek/grk.cgi?number=5553&amp;version=kjv">http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Greek/grk.cgi?number=5553&amp;version=kjv</a>&gt;</p> <p>Strong's Number: 5553 Original Word Word Origin χρυσίον diminutive of (5557) Transliterated Word TDNT Entry Chrusion None Phonetic Spelling Parts of Speech khroo-see'-on Noun Neuter</p> <p><b>Definition</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. gold, both that which lies imbedded in the earth and is dug out of it</li> <li>2. that which has been smelted and wrought             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. of a gold coin</li> <li>b. of golden ornaments</li> <li>c. of precious things made of gold</li> </ol> </li> </ol> <p>King James Word Usage - Total: 9 gold 9</p> <p>KJV Verse Count</p> <p>Acts 2 Hebrews 1</p>	<p>1 Peter 3 <u>Revelation</u> 3 Total 9</p> <p><u>Chrusodaktulios</u> (χρυσοδακτύλιος) (from 5557).</p> <p>&lt;<a href="http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Greek/grk.cgi?number=5554&amp;version=kjv">http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Greek/grk.cgi?number=5554&amp;version=kjv</a>&gt;</p> <p>Strong's Number: 5554 Original Word Word Origin χρυσοδακτύλιος from (5557) and (1146)</p> <p>Transliterated Word TDNT Entry Chrusodaktulios None Phonetic Spelling Parts of Speech khroo-sod-ak-too'-lee-os Adjective</p> <p><b>Definition</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. gold ringed, adorned with gold rings</li> </ol> <p>King James Word Usage - Total: 1 with a gold ring 1</p> <p>KJV Verse Count</p> <p><u>James</u> 1 Total 1</p> <p>These final three entries complete the etymology of this term.</p> <p><u>Daktulios</u> (δακτύλιος).</p> <p>&lt;<a href="http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Greek/grk.cgi?number=1146&amp;version=kjv">http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Greek/grk.cgi?number=1146&amp;version=kjv</a>&gt;</p> <p>Strong's Number: 1146</p>
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<p>Original Word      Word Origin δακτύλιος      from (1147)</p> <p>Transliterated Word      TDNT Entry Daktulios      None</p> <p>Phonetic Spelling      Parts of Speech dak-too'-lee-os      Noun Masculine</p> <p>Definition 1. a ring (on the finger)</p> <p>King James Word Usage - Total: 1 ring 1</p> <p>KJV Verse Count <u>Luke 1</u> Total 1</p>	<p><u>Deka (δέκα).</u></p> <p>&lt;<a href="http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Greek/grk.cgi?number=1176&amp;version=kjv">http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Greek/grk.cgi?number=1176&amp;version=kjv</a>&gt;</p> <p>Strong's Number: 1176</p> <p>Original Word      Word Origin δέκα      a primary number</p> <p>Transliterated Word      TDNT Entry Deka      2:36,143</p> <p>Phonetic Spelling      Parts of Speech dek'-ah      Noun</p> <p>Definition 1. ten</p>
<p><u>Daktulos (δάκτυλος).</u></p> <p>&lt;<a href="http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Greek/grk.cgi?number=1147&amp;version=kjv">http://bible.crosswalk.com/Lexicons/Greek/grk.cgi?number=1147&amp;version=kjv</a>&gt;</p> <p>Strong's Number: 1147</p> <p>Original Word      Word Origin δάκτυλος      probably from (1176)</p> <p>Transliterated Word      TDNT Entry Daktulos      2:20,140</p> <p>Phonetic Spelling      Parts of Speech dak'-too-los      Noun Masculine</p> <p>Definition 1. a finger</p> <p>King James Word Usage - Total: 8 finger 8</p> <p>KJV Verse Count Matthew 1 Mark 1 Luke 3 <u>John 3</u> Total 8</p>	<p>King James Word Usage - Total: 27 ten 24, eighteen + (2532) +&amp;version=kjv 3638 3</p> <p>KJV Verse Count Matthew 3 Mark 1 Luke 12 Acts 1 <u>Revelation 7</u> Total 24</p> <p>From the Hebrew lesson, we understand the direct connection between the verb concept of “to protect” and the verbal noun derived from the verb which is “the protection.” From the Greek, we start with <i>gape</i> or <i>yawn</i>, and get <i>chasm</i>, from which comes <i>tempest</i> (winter weather, pouring rain), from which comes <i>hand</i> (as in the power to assist (protect) or punish), from which comes <i>borrow</i> (making use for oneself), from which comes <i>gold</i>. While there may be any number of ways to string these concepts together to make any</p>

number of conclusions, the idea here is that the Greek etymology isn't that much different from the Hebrew, in that from the concept of *hand* (a power to protect or punish) comes *borrow* (use) from which comes *gold*. And, from there, two points are worth repeating. First, where we talk about the coins, and commerce, the use we make of the gold does tend to produce either a protection or a punishment. Secondly, and the remaining 98% of the lesson, for us to see ourselves as the gold, in particular the refinement of the "raw materials," the use we make of our lives (minds, abilities, gifts, etc.) tends to produce either a protection or a punishment. To see ourselves as His refinement is to see that His Law is in every "transaction" that we make.

So, as we use gold, or silver, or anything that tends toward being an honest weight and measure in our economic activity, it will be good to remember that we are literally His refinement, His coin, His *currency*, as it were, to the rest of the world. He is first His own currency to us, for by His own sacrifice, He bought and paid for us, each and every single one of us. That is the purest form of payment, and, from the price He paid also comes His protection. And, just as with the economic activity and the coin, where His Law follows His Money, His Law follows His refinement, as well, especially when His refinement is His People. We are His refined gold. We are His honest system of weights and measures. And, where we realize that fact and act like it, we are also His protected ones.

Adam and Eve were "in the Garden" while they were obedient. Through their obedience, they were blessed with His Protection, wherever they were found. Through their disobedience, they were cursed. They were "outlawed." They were put "beyond the protection of the King," no matter where they were. They were kicked out of "the Garden." They were put beyond the wall of His Protection, where there is crying and gnashing of teeth.

The Law follows the Money, and where the Money is obedience, i.e., where the medium of exchange includes truth, righteousness, peace, faith, salvation and Spirit, the Law that follows is called the Blessings. Where the Money is obedience, what follows is His Protection, His *Gold*.

Blessed be the reading of His word. ■



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For there is no distinction between [Judean] and Greek; for He Himself is Lord of all, enriching all who call upon Him; for WHOEVER CALLS ON THE LORD SHALL BE SAVED.

But how can they call upon [W]hom they have not believed? And how can they believe about what they have not heard? And how can they hear without a preacher? And how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written:

HOW BEAUTIFUL THE FEET WHO PROCLAIM PEACE,  
WHO PREACH THE GOOD NEWS.

Yet all will not believe the good news. For Isaiah says:

LORD, WHO HAS BELIEVED OUR REPORT?

Therefore, the faith comes from a report: but the report through the arrangement of God.

Romans 10:12-17 (Ferrar Fenton).

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