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Hebrew Alphabet Studies:

"bet," "beth" or bayith" meaning "house"
(Strong's Exhaustive Concordance #1004-1005)



"B" (in English)

English words for "son" in Hebrew are בן pronounced "ben"

and "bar" בר as in Bar-Mitzah (Son of the Commandments)

'Bet' at the beginning of a word is the prefix 'in' or 'inside.'

In modern Hebrew, a dot is placed inside the 'bet.' Otherwise, it is pronounced with a 'v' sound 'vet.' "Bet" is also the Hebrew number 2.

Bet-el or Beth-el means House of God.

Does God want a HOUSE to live in?

"Go and tell my servant David, 'Thus saith the Lord: Shalt thou build me a **house** for me to dwell in? Whereas I have not dwelt in any **house** since the time that I brought up the children of Israel out of Egypt, even to this day, but have walked in a tent and in a tabernacle. In all the places wherein I have walked with all the children of Israel, spake I a word with any of the tribes of Israel, whom I commanded to feed my people Israel, saying, 'Why build ye not me a **house** of cedar?'" (Samuel 7:5-7)

Solomon said: "Now it was in the heart of David my father to build a **house** for the Name of the Lord God of Israel. But the Lord said to David my father 'Forasmuch as it was in thine heart to build a **house** for my name, thou didst well in that it was in thine heart...' (2 Chronicles 6:7-8) "But, will God in very deed, dwell with men on the earth? Behold, heaven and the heaven of heavens cannot contain thee; how much less this **house** which I have built! (2 Chronicles 6:18)

The apostle Paul had a revelation that WE are God's desired house.

"What, know ye not that **your body is the temple** of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God and ye are not your own?" (1 Corinthians 6:19)

"And (ye) are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the Chief Cornerstone, in Whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto a Holy Temple in the Lord in whom **ye also are** builded together for a habitation of God through the Spirit." (Ephesians 2:20-22)

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Will YOUR house (body) be blessed or cursed?

THE BLESSING—3 ways to receive it: "Salvation belongeth unto the Lord; thy BLESSING is upon thy people." (Psalm 3:8)

"Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? or who shall stand in his holy place? He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully. He shall receive the BLESSING from the Lord, & righteousness from the God of his salvation." (Psalm 24:3-5)

"...Ye shall also give unto the priest the first of your dough;* that he may cause the BLESSING to rest in thine HOUSE." (Ezekiel 44:30b)

THE CURSE—2 ways to receive it:

'...This is the CURSE that goeth forth over the face of the whole earth: for every one that stealeth shall be cut off on this side according to it; and every one that sweareth shall be cut off on that side according to it. I will bring it forth, saith the Lord of Hosts, and it shall enter into the HOUSE of the **thief**, (see N.T. definition below)* and into the HOUSE of him that sweareth falsely by my name (see definition below);** and it shall remain in the midst of his HOUSE, and shall consume it with the timber thereof and the stones thereof." (Zechariah 5:3-4)

***Thief** : "...He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same **is a thief** and a robber." (John 10:1)

**Sweareth falsely by my name: "...which swear by the name of the Lord and make mention of the God of Israel, but not in truth, nor in righteousness." (Isaiah 48:1b)



Houses in scripture could be:

Redeemed (saved) (Leviticus 25:29-33)

To be redeemed, a house must be outside the walled cities (the world system) in the year of release (jubilee).

Repaired The house of the Lord was repaired periodically (2 Chronicles 24:4-27).

Contaminated/Cleansed: (Leviticus 14:34-55) Houses & tents were emptied, quarantined, cleansed, damaged parts rebuilt, inspected & then, the atonement blood was applied to them 7 times by a priest (see 1 Peter 2:5) for cleansing.

Sanctified (set apart) (Leviticus 27:14-15) Houses given to the work of the Lord could be re-purchased at the value set by the priest plus an additional 20%.

Filled with Glory In the Jerusalem Temple, a glory cloud filled the building so that priests could barely stand up. (2 Chronicles 5:14, 7:1, Haggai 2:7, 9, Ezekiel 43:5)

Places of Prayer The house of God is meant to be a house of prayer. (Isaiah 56:7, Matthew 21:13, Mark 11:17, Luke 19:46)



"Wisdom hath builded her **HOUSE**, she hath hewn out her 7 pillars:" (Proverbs 9:1)

When you understand how your HOUSE (physical body) is ordered, you will understand how the Kingdom of God operates. (Ezekiel 43:10-12)

