

~ACRE (48)

[Hebrew, *tse'medh*, means span]

- As used in the Scriptures, acre is understood to denote the measure of land that a span of bulls can plow in a day. The Hebrew word thus rendered Hebrew *tse'medh* literally means span.
- And the first slaughter with which Jonathan and his armor-bearer struck them down amounted to about twenty men within about half the plowing line in an **acre** of field. (1 Samuel 14:14)
- Accordingly he went from there and found Elisha the son of Shaphat while he was plowing with **twelve spans** before him, and he with the twelfth. So Elijah crossed over to him and threw his official garment upon him. (1 Kings 19:19)
- And is also rendered couple
- Then her husband got up and went after her to speak consolingly to her so as to bring her back, and there were with him his attendant and a **couple** of he-asses. So she had him come into her father's house. When the father of the young woman got to see him, he at once rejoiced to meet him. (Judges 19:3)
- pair
- So he took a **pair** of bulls and cut them in pieces and sent these into all the territory of Israel by the hand of the messengers, saying; Whoever of us is not going out as a follower of Saul and of Samuel, this is the way it will be done to his cattle! And the dread of Yehowah began to fall upon the people so that they came out as one man. (1 Samuel 11:7)
- And team
- He now said to Bidkar his adjutant; Lift him up, throw him into the tract of the field of Naboth the Jezreelite, for remember, I and you were riding **teams** behind Ahab his father, and Yehowah himself lifted up this pronouncement against him! (2 Kings 9:25)

- . Likely the measure of land referred to was somewhat less than 0.4 ha (1 **acre**). The word *jugerum*, found in the **Latin Vulgate**, refers to an area of 0.25 ha (0.62 acre)