## ~BRACELET (95)

- A decorative circlet worn on the wrist or lower arm, sometimes forming a complete circle, though in other instances having an opening or clasp. In ancient times bracelets were worn by both men and women, sometimes on just one arm, but occasionally on both. Bracelets of antiquity were made of bronze, glass, iron, silver, and gold and were often highly ornamented, sometimes being studded with iewels.
- The Hebrews wore bracelets, and they were in general use from early times in Palestine, where archaeologists have found a number of them, made of various materials, particularly bronze. Abraham's servant gave Rebekah a gold nose ring and also two bracelets Hebrew, tsemi-dim' having a weight of ten shekels, or 114 grams, (3.7 ounces troy) of gold.
- Consequently it came about that, when the camels had finished drinking, then the man took a gold nose ring of a half shekel in weight and two bracelets for her hands, ten shekels of gold was their weight. (Genesis 24:22)
- And it came about that on seeing the nose ring and the bracelets on the hands of his sister and on hearing the words of Rebekah his sister, saying; This is the way the man spoke to me, then he came to the man and there he was, standing by the camels at the fountain. (Genesis 24:30)
- After that I asked her and said; Whose daughter are you? To which she said; The daughter of Bethuel the son of Nahor, whom Milcah bore to him. Accordingly I put the nose ring on her nostril and the bracelets on her hands. (Genesis 24:47)
- Among the items taken as war booty from the Midianites were bracelets, which were among the valuable articles the Israelites presented to God.
- So let us present each one what he has found as Yehowah's offering, articles of gold, ankle chainlets, and bracelets, signet rings, earrings, and female ornaments, in order to make atonement for our souls before Yehowah. (Numbers 31:50)

- Through Ezekiel, God represented himself as decking Jerusalem with bracelets and other ornaments. But since she had used such beautiful articles idolatrously and had prostituted herself, Yehowah foretold that he would punish her and would have these things taken from her.
- And I went on to deck you with ornaments and to put bracelets upon your hands and a necklace about your throat. (Ezekiel 16:11)
- And you would take your beautiful articles from my gold and from my silver that I had given to you and you would make for yourself images of a male and prostitute yourself with them. (Ezekiel 16:17)
- And I will judge you with the judgments of adulteresses and women shedding blood, and I will give you the blood of rage and jealousy. (Ezekiel 16:38)
- And I will give you into their hand, and they will certainly tear down your mound and your heights will certainly be pulled down, and they must strip you of your garments and take your beautiful articles and leave you behind naked and nude. (Ezekiel 16:39)
- Bracelets Hebrew, *sheh-rohth'* were among the things Yehowah said he would take away from the haughty daughters of Zion.
- And Yehowah says; For the reason that the daughters of Zion have become haughty and they walk with their throats stretched forth and ogling with their eyes, they go walking with tripping steps, and with their feet they make a tinkling sound. (Isaiah 3:16)
- The eardrops and the bracelets and the veils. (Isaiah 3:19)
- The armlet or bracelet for the upper arm Hebrew, 'ets-'a-dhah' was worn by monarchs as one of their insignia of regal authority or sovereign power. The bracelet King Saul of Israel wore upon his arm may have had such significance.
- So I stood over him and definitely put him to death, for I knew that he could not live after he had fallen. Then I took the diadem that was upon his head and the bracelet that was upon his arm, that I might bring them to my lord here. (2 Samuel 1:10)

## **See Also ORNAMENTS**