

## ~BUSH (107)

[Hebrew, *si'ach*]

- A low, densely branched shrub or a cluster of shrubs. The Hebrew word *si'ach* occurs only four times, at;
- Now there was as yet no **bush** of the field found in the earth and no vegetation of the field was as yet sprouting, because Yehowah God had not made it rain upon the earth and there was no man to cultivate the ground. (**Genesis 2:5**)
- Finally the water became exhausted in the skin bottle and she threw the child under one of the **bushes**. (**Genesis 21:15**)
- They were plucking the salt herb by the **bushes**, and the root of broom trees was their food. (**Job 30:4**)
- Among the **bushes** they would cry out, under the nettles they would huddle together. (**Job 30:7**)
- Some trees in the Palestine region may properly be designated as **bushes**, including the **dwarf juniper**, the **thorny lotus**, the **broom tree**, while others are often or usually shrublike in size and appearance, such as the **acacia**, **myrtle**, **storax**, **tamarisk**, and **willow trees**.
- In the wilderness of Beer-sheba, despairing Hagar threw Ishmael under a **bush**.
- Finally the water became exhausted in the skin bottle and she threw the child under one of the **bushes**. (**Genesis 21:15**)
- While Job describes persons living in a waterless region plucking the salt herb by the **bushes** and crying out from among the bushes.
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- The burning **bush** by which Yehowah's angel attracted Moses attention and spoke with him is understood to have been some type of thornbush **Hebrew, *seneh***'.
- Then Yehowah's angel appeared to him in a flame of fire in the midst of a thorn **bush**. As he kept looking, why, here the thorn **bush** was burning with the fire and yet the thorn **bush** was not consumed. (**Exodus 3:2**)
- At this Moses said; Let me just turn aside that I may inspect this great phenomenon, as to why the thorn **bush** is not burnt up. (**Exodus 3:3**)
- When Yehowah saw that he turned aside to inspect, God at once called to him out of the midst of the thorn **bush** and said; Moses! Moses! to which he said; Here I am. (**Exodus 3:4**)
- Then he said; Do not come near here. Draw your sandals from off your feet, because the place where you are standing is holy ground. (**Exodus 3:5**)
- And with the choice things of the earth and its fullness, and with the approval of the One residing in the **thornbush**. May they come upon the head of Joseph and upon the crown of the head of the one singled out from his brothers. (**Deuteronomy 33:16**)
- In referring to this event, the Christian writers of the Greek Scriptures employed the **Greek** word *ba'tos*, which means a bramble or any **thorny bush**.
- But concerning the dead, that they are raised up, did you not read in the book of Moses, in the account about the **thornbush**, how God said to him, I am the God of Abraham and God of Isaac and God of Jacob? (**Mark 12:26**)
- But that the dead are raised up even Moses disclosed, in the account about the **thornbush**, when he calls Yehowah the God of Abraham and God of Isaac and God of Jacob. (**Luke 20:37**)
- And when forty years were fulfilled, there appeared to him in the wilderness of Mount Sinai an angel in the fiery flame of a **thornbush**. (**Acts of Apostles 7:30**)
- This Moses, whom they disowned, saying; Who appointed you

ruler and judge? this man God sent off as both ruler and deliverer by the hand of the angel that appeared to him in the **thornbush**.  
(Acts of Apostles 7:35)

- In **Greek** the blackberry is called *ba'ton*, derived from *ba'tos*, and hence some lexicographers connect the **thorny bush** **Hebrew** *seneh'* with the blackberry bush *Rubus sanctus*, which is common throughout Syria and much of Palestine.
- It is not found growing wild in the Sinai Peninsula in modern times, however. For this reason others favor an association with some type of acacia tree, as these **thorny**, often **bushlike trees** are very common throughout the Sinai region. However, no certain identification can be made.