

~GARRISON (127)

[Hebrew, *netsiv'*, *mats-tsav'*, outpost]

- The Hebrew term *netsiv'* may denote a rather permanent contingent of soldiers stationed at a military installation. The related Hebrew word *mats-tsav'*, outpost, carries a similar idea.
- Now an **outpost** of the Philistines would sally forth to the ravine pass of Michmash. (1 Samuel 13:23)
- And it came about one day that Jonathan the son of Saul proceeded to say to the attendant carrying his weapons; Do come and let us cross over to the **outpost** of the Philistines who are across over there. But to his father he did not tell it. (1 Samuel 14:1)
- Now between the passages that Jonathan looked for to cross over against the **outpost** of the Philistines there was a toothlike crag here on this side and a toothlike crag there on that side, and the name of the one was Bozez and the name of the other was Seneh. (1 Samuel 14:4)
- So Jonathan said to the attendant, his armor-bearer; Do come and let us cross over to the **outpost** of these uncircumcised men. Perhaps Yehowah will work for us, for there is no hindrance to Yehowah to save by many or by few. (1 Samuel 14:6)
- With that the two of them exposed themselves to the outpost of the Philistines. And the Philistines proceeded to say; Here are the Hebrews coming out from the holes where they have hidden themselves. (1 Samuel 14:11)
- So the men of the outpost answered Jonathan and his armor-bearer and said; Come on up to us, and we will let you know a thing! At once Jonathan said to his armor-bearer; Come up after me, because Yehowah will certainly give them into the hand of Israel. (1 Samuel 14:12)
- Then a trembling occurred in the camp in the field and among all the people of the outpost, and the force of pillagers trembled, even they, and the earth began quaking, and it developed into a trembling from God. (1 Samuel 14:15)

- And David was then in the place hard to approach, and an outpost of the Philistines was then in Bethlehem. (2 Samuel 23:14)
- The Philistines had **garrisons** in Israelite territory during the reigns of Saul and David.
- It is after that that you will come to the hill of the true God, where there is a **garrison** of the Philistines. And it should come about that at the time of your coming there to the city, you will certainly meet a group of prophets coming down from the high place, and ahead of them a stringed instrument and tambourine and flute and harp, while they are speaking as prophets. (1 Samuel 10:5)
- Then Jonathan struck down the **garrison** of the Philistines that was in Geba, and the Philistines got to hear of it. As for Saul, he had the horn blown throughout all the land, saying; Let the Hebrews hear! (1 Samuel 13:3)
- And all Israel itself heard tell. Saul has struck down a **garrison** of the Philistines, and now Israel has become foul-smelling among the Philistines. So the people were called together to follow Saul to Gilgal. (1 Samuel 13:4)
- And David was then in the place hard to approach, and a **garrison** of the Philistines was then in Bethlehem. (1 Chronicles 11:16)
- After David defeated Syria and Edom, he maintained **garrisons** in their territory to prevent rebellion.
- Further, David put **garrisons** in Syria of Damascus, and the Syrians came to be David's servants to carry tribute. And Yehowah continued to save David wherever he went. (2 Samuel 8:6)
- And he kept **garrisons** placed in Edom. In all Edom he placed garrisons, and all the Edomites came to be servants of David, and Yehowah kept saving David wherever he went. (2 Samuel 8:14)
- So he put **garrisons** in Edom, and all the Edomites came to be David's servants. And Yehowah kept saving David wherever he went. (1 Chronicles 18:13)

- For the peace and security of the land, Jehoshaphat installed **garrisons** in Judah and in the cities of Ephraim that Asa had captured.
- And Jehoshaphat his son began to reign in place of him and to make his position strong over Israel. (**2 Chronicles 17:1**)
- And he proceeded to put military forces in all the fortified cities of Judah and to put **garrisons** in the land of Judah and in the cities of Ephraim that Asa his father had captured. (**2 Chronicles 17:2**)
- The presence of such a military body did much to maintain order and protect royal interests in territories where the native inhabitants were likely to rebel.
- A Roman **garrison** was maintained at Jerusalem during the **First Century C.E.** Their quarters were in the high Tower of Antonia adjoining the temple grounds. When a crowd of Jews dragged Paul outside the temple and sought to kill him, soldiers of the **garrison** were able to come down quickly enough to rescue him.
- And while they were seeking to kill him, information came up to the commander of the band that all Jerusalem was in confusion. (**Acts of Apostles 21:31**)
- And he at once took soldiers and army officers and ran down to them. When they caught sight of the military commander and the soldiers, they quit beating Paul. (**Acts of Apostles 21:32**)
- During Jewish festival seasons, extra troops were brought in to strengthen this **garrison**.

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