

~GRASSHOPPER (60)

[Hebrew, *cha-ghav'*]

- There is uncertainty as to the insect or insects designated by the Hebrew term *cha-ghav'*. However, since the fully developed, winged stage of locust Hebrew, *'ar-beh'* is mentioned along with the *cha-ghav'* at;
- These are the ones of them you may eat of. The migratory locust according to its kind, and the edible locust after its kind, and the cricket according to its kind, and the **grasshopper** according to its kind. (**Leviticus 11:22**)
- As being clean for food, *cha-ghav'* may refer to a leaper rather than a flier. See NW Footnote
- The designation **grasshopper** is applied to any of numerous leaping insects of the families *Acrididae*, including the migratory locusts and the **grasshoppers** having short feelers, and *Tettigoniidae*, including the **grasshoppers** with long feelers.
- Aside from its being listed as an insect clean for food and the references to its destructiveness to vegetation.
- When I shut up the heavens that no rain may occur and when I command the **grasshoppers** to eat up the land and if I send a pestilence among my people. (**2 Chronicles 7:13**)
- The **grasshopper** appears in an illustrative setting in Scripture. The unfaithful Israelite spies reported that in size they were as **grasshoppers** in comparison with the inhabitants of Canaan.
- And there we saw the Nephilim, the sons of Anak, who are from the Nephilim, so that we became in our own eyes like **grasshoppers**, and the same way we became in their eyes. (**Numbers 13:33**)
- Men, especially those who oppose God, are as **grasshoppers** from Yehowah's standpoint and in view of his greatness.
- There is One who is dwelling above the circle of the earth, the dwellers in which are as **grasshoppers**, the One who is stretching

out the heavens just as a fine gauze, who spreads them out like a tent in which to dwell. ([Isaiah 40:22](#))

- In portraying the difficulties of old age, the congregator employed the figure of a **grasshopper** dragging itself along, thereby depicting the aged person as bent and stiff in figure, with arms thrust somewhat backward.
- Also, they have become afraid merely at what is high, and there are terrors in the way. And the almond tree carries blossoms, and the **grasshopper** drags itself along, and the caper berry bursts, because man is walking to his long-lasting house and the wailers have marched around in the street. ([Ecclesiastes 12:5](#))

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