

~GREYHOUND (30)

[Hebrew, *zar-zir' moth-na'yim*]

- A **very swift, keen-sighted dog**, with a pointed muzzle, a slender streamlined body, and long, strong legs. There is considerable uncertainty, though, as to what is designated by the Hebrew expression, which literally means the animal girded in at the hips, loins. A number of Bible translations use **greyhound** in the main text at
- The **greyhound** or the he-goat, and a king of a band of soldiers of his own people. (**Proverbs 30:31**)
- But in footnotes list war-horse and rooster as alternate renderings. **AS, NW, Ro.** The reading rooster or cock, **AT, Dy, JB, Kx, Mo, RS,** has the support of the **Greek Septuagint** and the **Latin Vulgate**.
- **Greyhound** is an appropriate rendering, however, for it fits the description of an animal that does well with its pacing.
- There are three that do well in their pacing, and four that do well in their moving along. (**Proverbs 30:29**)
- The **greyhound** has been clocked at a speed of about 64 kilometers/hour (40 miles/hour). Also, the slenderness of the **greyhounds** lumbar regions, as if the animal were girded in at the hips, would harmonize with what is considered to be the literal significance of the Hebrew designation.