## ~LIME (48)

- A substance, white when pure, that is prepared by burning forms of calcium carbonate such as limestone, shells, or bones.
- This is what Yehowah has said; On account of three revolts of Moab, and on account of four, I shall not turn it back, on account of his burning the bones of the king of Edom for lime. (Amos 2:1)
- Abundant in the mountainous region of Palestine, limestone was converted into lime, calcium oxide, by burning fragments of limestone in conical or cylindrical limekilns.
- In ancient times lime Hebrew, *sidh*, was a principal ingredient in mortar and was used for plastering walls and for whitewashing walls, graves, and so forth.
- And it must occur that when you have crossed the Jordan, you should set up these stones, just as I am commanding you today, in Mount Ebal, and you must whitewash them with lime.

  (Deuteronomy 27:4)
- For the reason, yes, for the reason that they have led my people astray, saying; There is peace! When there is no peace, and there is one that is building a partition wall, but in vain there are those plastering it with whitewash. (Ezekiel 13:10)
- Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! Because you resemble whitewashed graves, which outwardly indeed appear beautiful but inside are full of dead men's bones and of every sort of uncleanness. (Matthew 23:27)
- Then Paul said to him; God is going to strike you, you whitewashed wall. Do you at one and the same time sit to judge me in accord with the Law and, transgressing the Law, command me to be struck? (Acts of Apostles 23:3)
- The Bible also uses the burnings of lime figuratively to represent destruction.
- And peoples must become as the burnings of lime. As thorns cut away, they will be set ablaze even with fire. (Isaiah 33:12)

## **See Also KILN**