

~LOINS (189)

[Hebrew, *chala-tsa'yim* , Greek, *o-sphys'*]

- The abdominal region and the area about the hips. The Bible uses both the Hebrew words *chala-tsa'yim* , loins, and *moth-na'yim*, hips, to refer to this area.
- There is no one tired nor is anyone stumbling among them. No one is drowsy and no one sleeps. And the belt around their **loins** will certainly not be opened, nor the laces of their sandals be torn in two. (Isaiah 5:27)
- Immediately he said to Gehazi; Gird up your **loins** and take my staff in your hand and go. In case you encounter anyone, you must not greet him, and in case anyone should greet you, you must not answer him. And you must place my staff upon the face of the boy. (2 Kings 4:29)
- The Greek *o-sphys'* is also applied in the ordinary sense in describing John the Baptizer as clothed about the **loins** with a leather girdle.
- But this very John had his clothing of camels hair and a leather girdle around his **loins**, his food too was insect locusts and wild honey. (Matthew 3:4)
- The section of the body designated by the word, **loins**, contains the reproductive organs, therefore offspring are said to come out of the **loins**.
- And God said further to him; I am God Almighty. Be fruitful and become many. Nations and a congregation of nations will proceed out of you, and kings will come out of your **loins**. (Genesis 35:11)
- Only you yourself will not build the house, but your son who is coming forth from your **loins** is the one that will build the house to my name. (1 Kings 8:19)
- Therefore, because he was a prophet and knew that God had sworn to him with an oath that he would seat one from the fruitage of his **loins** upon his throne. (Acts of Apostles 2:30)

- **Paul uses this fact when showing that Jesus priesthood according to the manner of Melchizedek is superior to Aaron's, in that Levi, Aaron's forefather, was in the loins of Abraham, and in that sense paid tithes to Melchizedek.**

- **True, the men from the sons of Levi who receive their priestly office have a commandment to collect tithes from the people according to the Law, that is, from their brothers, even if these have issued from the loins of Abraham. (Hebrews 7:5)**
- **But the man who did not trace his genealogy from them took tithes from Abraham and blessed him who had the promises. (Hebrews 7:6)**
- **Now without any dispute, the less is blessed by the greater. (Hebrews 7:7)**
- **And in the one case it is men who are dying that receive tithes, but in the other case it is someone of whom it is witnessed that he lives. (Hebrews 7:8)**
- **And, if I may use the expression, through Abraham even Levi who receives tithes has paid tithes. (Hebrews 7:9)**
- **For he was still in the loins of his forefather when Melchizedek met him. (Hebrews 7:10)**
- **And Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine, and he was priest of the Most High God. (Genesis 14:18)**
- **Then he blessed him and said; Blessed be Abram of the Most High God, producer of heaven and earth. (Genesis 14:19)**
- **And blessed be the Most High God, who has delivered your oppressors into your hand! At that Abram gave him a tenth of everything. (Genesis 14:20)**
- **Paul also argued similarly at;**
- **In fact, I was once alive apart from Law, but when the commandment arrived, sin came to life again, but I died. (Romans 7:9)**

- Saying; I Paul, the Jew, in his forefathers **loins** before the Law was given was once alive apart from Law, but when the commandment arrived, sin came to life again, but I died.
- To **gird up the loins** meant to gather up the ends of the robes under the sash to facilitate physical activity and came to be used as an expression denoting **preparation for vigorous mental or spiritual activity**, and at times, it conveyed the idea of strengthening.
- Let your **loins** be girded and your lamps be burning. (**Luke 12:35**)
- Hence **brace up your minds for activity**, keep your senses completely, set your hope upon the undeserved kindness that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. (**1 Peter 1:13**)
- Brace up your minds, literally, **Gird up the loins of your mind** for activity.
- Stand firm, therefore, with your **loins** girded about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness. (**Ephesians 6:14**)
- Christians are told to have their **loins** girded about with truth, that is, strengthened by the truth of God's Word as an essential support, just as a tight girding of the physical **loins** protects them against damage due to extreme stress.
- Yehowah foretold the pain and distress of Jerusalem by the figure every able-bodied man with his hands upon his **loins** like a female that is giving birth.
- Ask, please, O men, and see whether a male is giving birth. Why is it that I have seen every able-bodied man with his hands upon his **loins** like a female that is giving birth, and all faces have turned pale? (**Jeremiah 30:6**)
- The **Hebrew** word *ke'sel*, **loins**, appears several times at;
- And the two kidneys and the fat that is upon them, the same as that upon the **loins**. And as for the appendage upon the liver, he will remove it along with the kidneys. (**Leviticus 3:4**)
- And Aaron's sons must make it smoke on the altar, upon the burnt offering that is over the wood that is on the fire, as an

offering made by fire of a restful odor to Yehowah. (**Leviticus 3:5**)

- And if his offering is from the flock for a communion sacrifice to Yehowah, a male or a female, a sound one is what he will present. (**Leviticus 3:6**)
- If he is presenting a young ram as his offering, then he must present it before Yehowah. (**Leviticus 3:7**)
- And he must lay his hand upon the head of his offering, and it must be slaughtered before the tent of meeting, and Aaron's sons must sprinkle its blood round about upon the altar. (**Leviticus 3:8**)
- And from the communion sacrifice he must present its fat as an offering made by fire to Yehowah. The entire fatty tail is what he will remove near the backbone, and the fat that covers the intestines, even all the fat that is upon the intestines. (**Leviticus 3:9**)
- And the two kidneys and the fat that is upon them, the same as that upon the **loins**. And as for the appendage upon the liver, he will remove it along with the kidneys. (**Leviticus 3:10**)
- And the priest must make it smoke on the altar as food, an offering made by fire to Yehowah. (**Leviticus 3:11**)
- And if his offering is a goat, then he must present it before Yehowah. (**Leviticus 3:12**)
- And he must lay his hand upon its head, and it must be slaughtered before the tent of meeting, and Aaron's sons must sprinkle its blood round about upon the altar. (**Leviticus 3:13**)
- And from it he must present as his offering, as an offering made by fire to Yehowah, the fat that covers the intestines, even all the fat that is upon the intestines. (**Leviticus 3:14**)
- And the two kidneys and the fat that is upon them, the same as that upon the **loins**. And as for the appendage upon the liver, he will remove it along with the kidneys. (**Leviticus 3:15**)
- Referring to communion sacrifices. It is also used at;

- Because he actually covers his face with his fattiness and he puts on fat upon his **loins**. (**Job 15:27**)
- For my very **loins** have become full of burning, and there is no sound spot in my flesh. (**Psalms 38:7**)
- It is translated, **flanks** and **loins** in the **King James Version**.