~MASKIL (34) (Mas'kil)

This word appears in the superscription of 13 psalms (Psalms Chapters 32,42,44,45,52,53,54,55,74,78,88,89,142) and possibly means contemplative poem.

- However, because the meaning of the Hebrew word is not certain, it is left untranslated in many versions. A clue to its sense may be indicated in the fact that a word of similar form is elsewhere translated, acting prudently, acting with discretion, acting with consideration, having insight, and so forth.
- And David was continually acting prudently in all his ways, and Yehowah was with him. (1 Samuel 18:14)
- And Saul kept seeing that he was acting very prudently, so that he was scared of him. (1 Samuel 18:15)
- Moreover, Hezekiah spoke to the heart of all the Levites who were acting with fine discretion toward Yehowah. And they proceeded to eat the appointed feast for seven days, sacrificing communion sacrifices and making confession to Yehowah the God of their forefathers. (2 Chronicles 30:22)
- Happy is anyone acting with consideration toward the lowly one, in the day of calamity Yehowah will provide escape for him.
 (Psalms 41:1)
- As for God, he has looked down from heaven itself upon the sons of men, to see whether there exists anyone having insight, anyone seeking Yehowah. (Psalms 53:2)