

~PLAYED (114)

[English, engaged in recreation, occupied yourself, amused yourself, had fun, fooled around]

- Judah was told that Tamar had **played** the harlot and become pregnant.
- However, about three months later it happened that it was told to Judah; Tamar your daughter-in-law has **played** the harlot, and here she is also pregnant by her harlotry. At that Judah said, Bring her out and let her be burned. (**Genesis 38:24**)
- When David **played** the harp before Saul the bad spirit he possessed was soothed, and it departed from him.
- And it occurred that, when God's spirit came to be upon Saul, David took the harp and **played** with his hand, and there was relief for Saul and it was well with him, and the bad spirit departed from upon him. (**1 Samuel 16:23**)
- Amnon **played** sick to seduce his sister Tamar into having sexual relations with him.
- Accordingly Amnon lay down and **played** sick, and so the king came in to see him. Then Amnon said to the king; Please, let Tamar my sister come in and bake two heart-shaped cakes under my eyes, that I may take bread as a patient from her hand. (**2 Samuel 13:6**)
- As soon as the stringed instrument player **played**, the hand of Yehowah God came to be upon him.
- And now you men fetch me a string-instrument player. And it occurred that, as soon as the string-instrument player **played**, the hand of Yehowah came to be upon him. (**2 Kings 3:15**)
- He says that they are saying, that they **played** the flute for God, figuratively, by going through the motions of true worship, but he was not impressed, or did not dance for them. Also they say that they endured the sufferings as his people, hated among the world of mankind, but he did not end their suffering.

- **Saying; We **played** the flute for you, but you did not dance, we wailed, but you did not beat yourselves in grief. ([Matthew 11:17](#))**

- **Then Jesus showed that his generation was like young children playing in the marketplaces and who say; We **played** the flute for you, but you did not dance. We wailed, but you did not weep.**

- **Also Jesus himself came forward, both eating and drinking wine, not in the manner of the ancient Nazirites, still the people found fault with him, calling him a man gluttonous and given to drinking wine, a friend of tax collectors and sinners. John the Baptist, had on the other hand not come eating and drinking, and yet the religious leaders found fault with him also. There simply was no pleasing of them.**

- **They are like young children sitting in a marketplace and crying out to one another, and who say; We **played** the flute for you, but you did not dance. We wailed, but you did not weep. ([Luke 7:32](#))**

- **Now Peter explained, that the giving of ones possessions to the congregation for the benefit of all, was not something required, and that Ananias and Sapphira could have kept all of the field for themselves, and no one would have cared. Yet they tried to fool God and their fellow Christians into thinking, that they were giving their all, when they were not, and by doing so, they **played** false to the Holy Spirit within them, and thus they played false to God himself, who gives men this wonderful spirit. It is a spirit of honesty and of integrity and of truth.**

- **As long as it remained with you did it not remain yours, and after it was sold did it not continue in your control? Why was it that you purposed such a deed as this in your heart? You have **played** false, not to men, but to God. ([Acts of Apostles 5:4](#))**

- **Paul then illustrates his point by saying that musical instruments give off noise, but unless there is an interval to the tones, how would it be known what is being **played** on such instruments?**

- **Also with the speech of speaking in tongues, if the people listening to the sound do not get the point of the speech, because they do not speak that tongue, how would they know what was being said, and how would they possibly benefit? It would be just like glaring noise to them, indiscernible.**

- **As it is, the inanimate things give off sound, whether a flute or a harp, unless it makes an interval to the tones, how will it be known what is being **played** on the flute or on the harp? (**1 Corinthians 14:7**)**