

~WOMB (260)

.. Figurative Use

- An organ of the female in which the young are nourished and grow prior to birth. Yehowah is the Creator of the womb.
- And Yehowah God proceeded to build the rib that he had taken from the man into a woman and to bring her to the man. (Genesis 2:22)
- And he is the One able to make it fruitful.
- When Yehowah came to see that Leah was hated, he then opened her **womb**, but Rachel was barren. (Genesis 29:31)
- Finally God remembered Rachel, and God heard and answered her in that he opened her **womb**. (Genesis 30:22)
- He is from the God of your father, and he will help you, and he is with the Almighty, and he will bless you with the blessings of the heavens above, with the blessings of the watery deep lying down below, with the blessings of the breasts and **womb**. (Genesis 49:25)
- Or unproductive.
- For Yehowah had tightly shut up every **womb** of the house of Abimelech because of Sarah, Abraham's wife. (Genesis 20:18)
- Sarah's **womb** was dead, or beyond power of childbearing, when Yehowah restored that power to her.
- And, although he did not grow weak in faith, he considered his own body, now already deadened, as he was about one hundred years old, also the deadness of the **womb** of Sarah. (Romans 4:19)
- And Abraham and Sarah were old, being advanced in years. Sarah had stopped having menstruation. (Genesis 18:11)
- Hence Sarah began to laugh inside herself, saying; After I am worn out, shall I really have pleasure, my lord being old besides?

(Genesis 18:12)

- And Yehowah turned his attention to Sarah just as he had said; and Yehowah now did to Sarah just as he had spoken. **(Genesis 21:1)**
- And Sarah became pregnant and then bore a son to Abraham in his old age at the appointed time of which God had spoken to him. **(Genesis 21:2)**
- Accordingly Abraham called the name of his son who had been born to him, whom Sarah had borne to him, Isaac. **(Genesis 21:3)**
- The Bible points out that Yehowah is responsible for the process of formation of an embryo in the **womb**, showing that the design of the human in the womb is according to God's pattern and not by chance or evolution.
- Did not the One making me in the belly make him, and did not just One proceed to prepare us in the **womb**? **(Job 31:15)**
- Your own hands have shaped me so that they made me in entirety round about, and yet you would swallow me up. **(Job 10:8)**
- For you yourself produced my kidneys; You kept me screened off in the belly of my mother. **(Psalms 139:13)**
- I shall laud you because in a fear-inspiring way I am wonderfully made. Your works are wonderful, as my soul is very well aware. **(Psalms 139:14)**
- My bones were not hidden from you when I was made in secret, when I was woven in the lowest parts of the earth. **(Psalms 139:15)**
- Your eyes saw even the embryo of me, and in your book all its parts were down in writing, as regards the days when they were formed and there was not yet one among them. **(Psalms 139:16)**
- Woe to the one that has contended with his Former, as an earthenware fragment with the other earthenware fragments of the ground! Should the clay say to its former; What do you make? And your achievement say; He has no hands? **(Isaiah**

45:9)

- The **womb** being created specifically for the propagation of the race, the **restrained womb** is listed as one of four things that have not said; Enough!
- The leeches have two daughters that cry; Give! Give! There are three things that do not get satisfied, four that have not said; Enough! (**Proverbs 30:15**)
- Sheol and a restrained **womb**, a land that has not been satisfied with water, and fire that has not said; Enough! (**Proverbs 30:16**)
- Since the **womb** is located in the general area of the body known as the belly, the Hebrew word for **belly** is often used with primary reference to the **womb**, as at;
- And Yehowah proceeded to say to her; Two nations are in your **belly**, and two national groups will be separated from your inward parts, and the one national group will be stronger than the other national group, and the older will serve the younger. (**Genesis 25:23**)
- And he will certainly love you and bless you and multiply you and bless the fruit of your **belly** and the fruit of your soil, your grain and your new wine and your oil, the young of your cows and the progeny of your flock, on the soil that he swore to your forefathers to give to you. (**Deuteronomy 7:13**)
- Look! Sons are an inheritance from Yehowah, the fruitage of the belly is a reward. (**Psalms 127:3**)

See Also BELLY

- God, as the **womb's** Designer, can also see exactly what is being formed in it. He can read the hereditary traits being built into the unborn child and determine what use He wants to make of the individual, if He so desires.
- Before I was forming you in the **belly** I knew you, and before you proceeded to come forth from the **womb** I sanctified you. Prophet to the nations I made you. (**Jeremiah 1:5**)

- For he will be great before Yehowah. But he must drink no wine and strong drink at all, and he will be filled with Holy Spirit right from his mothers **womb**. (**Luke 1:15**)
- Yet not that case alone, but also when Rebekah conceived twins from the one man, Isaac our forefather. (**Romans 9:10**)
- For when they had not yet been born nor had practiced anything good or vile, in order, that the purpose of God respecting the choosing might continue dependent, not upon works, but upon the One who calls. (**Romans 9:11**)
- It was said to her; The older will be the slave of the younger. (**Romans 9:12**)
- Just as it is written: I loved Jacob, but Esau I hated. (**Romans 9:13**)
- Yehowah commanded Israel;
- Sanctify to me every male firstborn that opens each **womb** among the sons of Israel, among men and beasts. It is mine. (**Exodus 13:2**)
- In human births, this had reference to the **fathers** first male child.

See Also FIRSTBORN - FIRSTLING

- Jesus pointed out that his mother Mary was not to be honored above others who serve God. On an occasion when he was teaching, a woman cried out;
- Now as he was saying these things a certain woman out of the crowd raised her voice and said to him; Happy is the **womb** that carried you and the breasts that you sucked! (**Luke 11:27**)
- But he said; No, rather, Happy are those hearing the word of God and keeping it! (**Luke 11:28**)
- Later, as Jesus was led away to the torture stake, he gave a prophecy concerning Jerusalem's coming destruction, telling the women weeping for him that days were coming in which people would say;

- But there was following him a great multitude of the people and of women who kept beating themselves in grief and bewailing him. (Luke 23:27)
- Jesus turned to the women and said; Daughters of Jerusalem, stop weeping for me. On the contrary, weep for yourselves and for your children. (Luke 23:28)
- Because, look! Days are coming in which people will say; Happy are the barren women, and the **wombs** that did not give birth and the breasts that did not nurse! (Luke 23:29)
- This was fulfilled in **70 C.E.** when more than a million Jews, including young children, perished, and thousands were taken into captivity, to be sold into slavery.
- The Jewish ruler and Pharisee Nicodemus, on hearing Jesus statement,
- Now there was a man of the Pharisees, Nicodemus was his name, a ruler of the Jews. (John 3:1)
- This one came to him in the night and said to him; Rabbi, we know that you as a teacher have come from God, for no one can perform these signs that you perform unless God is with him. (John 3:2)
- In answer Jesus said to him; Most truly I say to you, unless anyone is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. (John 3:3)
- Nicodemus said to him; How can a man be born when he is old? He cannot enter into the **womb** of his mother a second time and be born, can he? (John 3:4)
- Jesus answered; Most truly I say to you, unless anyone is born from water and spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. (John 3:5)
- What has been born from the flesh is flesh, and what has been born from the spirit is spirit. (John 3:6)
- Do not marvel because I told you, you people must be born

again. (John 3:7)

- The wind blows where it wants to, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from and where it is going. So is everyone that has been born from the spirit. (John 3:8)

•• Figurative Use

- **Womb** is employed at times with reference to the source of something. In speaking about creative works involving the earth, Yehowah speaks of the sea as bursting forth **from the womb**.
- And who barricaded the sea with doors, which began to go forth as when it burst out from the **womb**. (Job 38:8)
- Yehowah says to David's Lord that in the day of his military force this one will have willing volunteers like dewdrops from the **womb** of the dawn, or from where comes the morning dew.
- The utterance of Yehowah to my Lord is; Sit at my right hand until I place your enemies as a stool for your feet. (Psalms 110:1)
- The rod of your strength Yehowah will send out of Zion, saying; Go subduing in the midst of your enemies. (Psalms 110:2)
- Your people will offer themselves willingly on the day of your military force. In the splendors of holiness, from the **womb of the dawn**, you have your company of young men just like dewdrops. (Psalms 110:3)