

~FUEL (144)

- **Literally, food for fire.**
- For every boot of the one tramping with tremors and the mantle rolled in blood have even come to be for burning as **food** for fire. (**Isaiah 9:5**)
- In the fury of Yehowah of armies the land has been set afire, and the people will become as food for the fire. No one will show compassion even on his brother. (**Isaiah 9:19**)
- Look! Into the fire is where it must be put for **fuel**. Both ends of it the fire certainly devours, and the very middle of it does get scorched. Is it fit for any work? (**Ezekiel 15:4**)
- **Charcoal**
- Look! They have become like stubble. A fire itself will certainly burn them up. They will not deliver their soul from the power of the flame. There will be no glow of **charcoals** for people to warm themselves, no firelight in front of which to sit down. (**Isaiah 47:14**)
- Now the slaves and the officers were standing about, as they had built a **charcoal** fire, because it was cold, and they were warming themselves. Peter also was standing with them and warming himself. (**John 18:18**)
- **Sticks**
- The sons are picking up **sticks** of **wood**, and the fathers are lighting the fire, and the wives are kneading flour dough in order to make sacrificial cakes to the queen of the heavens, and there is a pouring out of drink offerings to other gods for the purpose of offending me. (**Jeremiah 7:18**)
- **Rushes**
- Out of its nostrils smoke goes forth, like a furnace set aflame even with **rushes**. (**Job 41:20**)

- **Thorns**
- For as the sound of **thorns** under the pot, so is the laughter of the stupid one, and this too is vanity. (**Ecclesiastes 7:6**)
- **Wood**
- Accordingly Joshua constituted them on that day gatherers of **wood** and drawers of water for the assembly and for Yehowah's altar, down to this day, at the place that he should choose. (**Joshua 9:27**)
- There is one whose business is to cut down cedars, and he takes a certain species of tree, even a massive tree, and he lets it become strong for himself among the trees of the forest. He planted the laurel tree, and the pouring rain itself keeps making it get big. (**Isaiah 44:14**)
- And it has become something for man to keep a fire burning. So he takes part of it that he may warm himself. In fact he builds a fire and actually bakes bread. He also works on a god to which he may bow down. He has made it into a carved image, and he prostrates himself to it. (**Isaiah 44:15**)
- Half of it he actually burns up in a fire. Upon half of it he roasts well the flesh that he eats, and he becomes satisfied. He also warms himself and says; Aha! I have warmed myself. I have seen the firelight. (**Isaiah 44:16**)
- **Vines**
- Therefore this is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah has said; Just like the **vine** tree among the trees of the forest, that I have given to the fire as **fuel**, so I have given the inhabitants of Jerusalem. (**Ezekiel 15:6**)
- Are among the **fuels** specifically mentioned in the Bible. Additionally, olive oil was a **fuel** commonly used in lamps.
- As for you, you are to command the sons of Israel that they get for you pure, **beaten olive oil** for the luminary, in order to light up the lamps constantly. (**Exodus 27:20**)
- For the foolish took their lamps but took no **oil** with them.

(Matthew 25:3)

- Whereas the discreet took **oil** in their receptacles with their lamps. (Matthew 25:4)
- **Wood**, in its natural state or in the form of charcoal, was likely the main **fuel** of the Israelites. For heating purposes charcoal was commonly burned in a brazier.
- And the king was sitting in the winter house, in the ninth month, with a **brazier burning before him**. (Jeremiah 36:22)
- At other times it was burned without a container, as was undoubtedly the case when Jesus Christ, after his resurrection, prepared breakfast over a **charcoal fire**.
- However, when they disembarked onto land they beheld lying there a **charcoal fire** and fish lying upon it and bread. (John 21:9)
- Jesus said to them; Bring some of the fish you just now caught. (John 21:10)

See Also CHARCOAL

- To depict the severity of Jerusalem's siege, Ezekiel was instructed to use **human excrement** for **fuel**, but when he objected, Yehowah permitted him to use **cakes of cattle dung** instead.
- And, look! I will put cords upon you that you may not turn yourself from your one side to your other side, until you will have completed the days of your siege. (Ezekiel 4:8)
- And as a round cake of barley you will eat it, and as for it, upon **dung cakes of the excrement of mankind** you will bake it before their eyes. (Ezekiel 4:12)
- And Yehowah went on to say; Just like this the sons of Israel will eat their bread unclean among the nations to which I shall disperse them. (Ezekiel 4:13)
- And I proceeded to say; Alas, O Sovereign Lord Yehowah! Look! My soul is not a defiled one. Neither a body already dead nor a torn animal have I eaten from my youth up, even until now, and into my mouth there has come no foul flesh. (Ezekiel 4:14)

- **Accordingly he said to me; See, I have given you **cattle manure instead of the dung cakes of mankind**, and you must make your bread upon it. (Ezekiel 4:15)**
- **Although **dried cattle dung** is today used by some persons in the Middle East because of the scarcity of wood, this does not necessarily mean that the Israelites ordinarily used it, especially since ancient Palestine was more heavily wooded than it is now.**