



Guard the commandments

We are to guard the commandments of YHWH. Our English translations use the soft abstract word **keep** to translate the Hebrew word שמר (שמר ShMR) Strong's H8104 and this really does not do this word justice. This word actually means **to guard**. When we **guard** something we secure it, we put up a hedge around it to make sure nothing happens to it to harm it or do any damage to it. With this understanding of the Hebrew word שמר (שמר ShMR) we can see there is much more responsibility put upon us towards the commandments of YHWH than just keeping them in our possession. This protection we put around them is in our hearts, minds, and in our faith towards Yah. We cannot protect them in this world which is ruled at this time by the devil and all the fallen angels but we **MUST** fervently guard them in our hearts, minds and lives. We **MUST** live them and **DO** them **that** we may have right into the Kingdom and to eat of the tree of life.

Genesis 17:1 And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, YHWH appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I am the Almighty Elohyim; walk before me, and be you perfect.

Genesis 17:2 And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will multiply you exceedingly.

Genesis 17:3 And Abram fell on his face: and Elohyim talked with him, saying,

Genesis 17:4 As for me, behold, my covenant is with you, and you shall be a father of many nations.

Genesis 17:5 Neither shall your name any more be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for a father of many nations have I made you.

Genesis 17:6 And I will make you exceeding fruitful, and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come out of you.

Genesis 17:7 And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your seed after you in their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a Elohyim unto you, and to your seed after you.

Genesis 17:8 And I will give unto you, and to your seed after you, the land wherein you are a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their Elohyim.

Genesis 17:9 And Elohyim said unto Abraham, You shall **keep H8104** my covenant therefore, you, and your seed after you in their generations.

Genesis 17:10 This is my covenant, which you shall **keep H8104**, between me and you and your seed after you; Every man child among you shall be circumcised.

Genesis 17:11 And you shall circumcise the flesh of your foreskin; and it shall be a token of the covenant between you and me.



Genesis 17:12 And he that is eight days old shall be circumcised among you, every man child in your generations, he that is born in the house, or bought with money of any stranger, which is not of your seed.

Genesis 17:13 He that is born in your house, and he that is bought with your money, must needs be circumcised: and my covenant shall be in your flesh for an everlasting covenant.

Genesis 17:14 And the uncircumcised man child whose flesh of his foreskin is not circumcised, that soul shall be cut off from his people; he has broken my covenant.

Genesis 17:15 And Elohyim said unto Abraham, As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall her name be.

Genesis 18:16 And the men rose up from thence, and looked toward Sodom: and Abraham went with them to bring them on the way.

Genesis 18:17 And YHWH said, Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I do;

Genesis 18:18 Seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him?

Genesis 18:19 For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall **keep H8104** the way of YHWH, to do justice and judgment; that YHWH may bring upon Abraham that which he has spoken of him.

Genesis 24:6 And Abraham said, **Beware H8104** that you bring not my son thither again.

YHWH's charge to Isaac

Genesis 26:5 Because that Abraham obeyed my voice, **and kept H8104** my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws.

Exodus 15:26 And said, If you will diligently hearken to the voice of YHWH your Elohyim, and will do that which is right in his sight, and will give ear to his commandments, and **keep H8104** all his statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon you, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am YHWH that heals you.

Exodus 16:25 And Moses said, Eat that today; for today is a sabbath unto YHWH: to day you shall not find it in the field.

Exodus 16:26 Six days you shall gather it; but on the seventh day, which is the sabbath, in it there shall be none.

Exodus 16:27 And it came to pass, that there went out some of the people on the seventh day for to gather, and they found none.

Exodus 16:28 And YHWH said unto Moses, How long refuse you **to keep H8104** my commandments and my laws?



Exodus 16:29 See, for that YHWH has given you the sabbath, therefore he gives you on the sixth day the bread of two days; abide you every man in his place, let no man go out of his place on the seventh day.

Exodus 16:30 So the people **rested/ceased H7673** on the seventh day.

Exodus 20:6 And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and **keep H8104** my commandments.

Exodus 31:12 And YHWH spoke unto Moses, saying,

Exodus 31:13 Speak you also unto the children of Israel, saying, Verily my sabbaths you **shall keep H8104**: for it is a sign between me and you throughout your generations; that you may know that I am YHWH that does sanctify you.

Exodus 31:14 You **shall keep H8104** the sabbath therefore; for it is holy unto you: every one that defiles it shall surely be put to death: for whosoever does any work therein, that soul shall be cut off from among his people.

Exodus 31:15 Six days may work be done; but in the seventh is the sabbath of rest, holy to YHWH: whosoever does any work in the sabbath day, he shall surely be put to death.

Exodus 31:16 Therefore the children of Israel **shall keep H8104** the sabbath, to observe the sabbath throughout their generations, for a **perpetual covenant**.

Exodus 31:17 It is a sign between me and the children of Israel forever: for in six days YHWH made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day he **rested H7673**, and was refreshed.

Exodus 31:18 **And he gave unto Moses, when he had made an end of communing with him upon mount Sinai, two tables of testimony, tables of stone, written with the finger of Elohyim.**

Leviticus 22:31 **Therefore shall you keep H8104** my commandments, and do them: I am YHWH.

Deuteronomy 4:40 **You shall keep H8104** therefore his statutes, and his commandments, which I command you this day, that it may go well with you, and with your children after you, and that you may prolong your days upon the earth, which YHWH your Elohyim gives you, forever.

Deuteronomy 5:12 **Keep H8104** the sabbath day to **sanctify H6942** it, as YHWH your Elohyim has commanded you.

Deuteronomy 5:29 O that there were such an heart in them, that they would fear me, and **keep H8104** all my commandments always, that it might be well with them, and with their children forever!



H8104 שָׁמַר **shamar** (shaw-mar') v.

1. (properly) to hedge about (as with thorns), i.e. guard.
2. (generally) to protect, attend to, etc.

[a primitive root]

KJV: beware, be circumspect, take heed (to self), keep(-er, self), mark, look narrowly, observe, preserve, regard, reserve, save (self), sure, (that lay) wait (for), watch(-man).

Strong's #8104: AHLB#2853 (V)

2853 שָׁמַר (שמר ShMR) ac: **Guard** co: **Brier** ab: **Custody**: A close watching of something for guarding or protecting. Shepherds constructed corrals of briers at night to protect the flock from predators. [from: שֶׁקֶט - from the thorns used in constructing a corral]

V שָׁמַר (שמר Sh-MR) — **Guard**: To watch over or guard in the sense of preserving or protecting. [freq. 468] (vf: Paal, Niphal, Hitpaal, Piel, Participle) |k|j|v: keep, observe, heed, keeper, preserve, beware, mark, watchman, wait, watch, regard, save| {H8104}

N^m שָׁמַר (שמר Sh-MR) — **Dregs**: The settlings of wine. [Unknown connection to root;] [freq. 5] |k|j|v: lees, dregs| {H8105}

N^{f1} שֹׁמֵר (שמרה ShM-RH) — **Guard**: One who watches over. [freq. 1] |k|j|v: watch| {H8108}

b^m שָׁמִיר (שמיר Sh-MYR) — **I. Brier**: Used to construct a corral to protect the flock at night. **II. Shamiyr**: An unknown sharp stone such as flint or obsidian. [freq. 11] |k|j|v: brier, adamant, diamond| {H8068}

d^m שָׁמַר (שמור Sh-MWR) — **Watching**: [ms: שמר] [freq. 2] |k|j|v: observed| {H8107}

d^{f1} שֹׁמֵר (שמורה Sh-MW-RH) — **Lid**: As a covering of protection. [ms: שמרה] [freq. 1] |k|j|v: waking| {H8109}

h^m שָׁמַר (משמר MSh-MR) — **Custody**: A careful watching over as an office, guard or prison. [freq. 22] |k|j|v: ward, watch, guard, diligence, office, prison| {H4929}

h^{f2} שָׁמַר (משמרת MSh-M-RT) — **Charge**: What is given to be watched over and protected. [freq. 78] |k|j|v: charge, ward, watch, keep, ordinance, office, safeguard| {H4931}



nd^{f1}) אֲשַׁמְרֵה (אשמורה ASH-MW-RH) — **Watch:** An increment of time during the night when guards watch the area. [ms: אשמרה] [freq. 7] |k|jv: watch, night watch| {H821}

H7673 שָׁבַת **shabath** (shaw-bath') v.

to repose, i.e. to cease from exertion.

{used in many implied relations (causative, figurative or specific)}

[a primitive root]

KJV: (cause to, let, make to) cease, celebrate, cause (make) to fail, keep (sabbath), suffer to be lacking, leave, put away (down), (make to) rest, rid, still, take away.

Strong's #7673: AHLB#2812 (V)

2812) שָׁבַת (שבת ShBT) ac: Cease co: ? ab: ?: The ceasing of work or activity in order to rest. [from: שָׁבַט - sitting to rest]

V) שָׁבַת (שבת Sh-BT) — Cease: To cease from an activity for the purpose or rest or celebration. [freq. 71] (vf: Paal, Niphal, Hiphil) |k|jv: cease, rest, away, fail, celebrate| {H7673}

N^f) שָׁבַת (שבת Sh-BT) — Ceasing: A stopping of activity. Often used for the seventh day or special feast day as a day set aside for resting or celebrating. [freq. 111] |k|jv: sabbath, another, lost time, still, cease| {H7674, H7676}

h^m) שָׁבַת (משבת MSh-BT) — Ceasing: [freq. 1] |k|jv: sabbath| {H4868}

j^m) שָׁבַת (שבתון ShB-TWN) — Ceasing: [freq. 11] |k|jv: rest, sabbath| {H7677}

Exodus 20:8 Remember the sabbath day, **to keep it holy H6942.**

H6942 קָדַשׁ **qadash** (kaw-dash') v.

1. to be clean (ceremonially or morally).

2. (causatively) to make, pronounce or observe as clean (ceremonially or morally).

[a primitive root]

KJV: appoint, bid, consecrate, dedicate, defile, hallow, (be, keep) holy(-er, place), keep, prepare, proclaim, purify, sanctify(-ied one, self), X wholly.



Strong's #6942: AHLB#2700 (V)

2700) **קדש** (QDSH) ac: **Set apart** co: **Prostitute** ab: **Special:** Set apart from the rest for a special function. [from: **קדש** - separating and joining to something]

V) **קדש** (Q-DSh) — **Set apart:** To set someone or something apart for a special purpose. [freq. 172] (vf: Paal, Niphal, Hiphil, Hitpael, Pual, Piel) |kjb: sanctify, hallow, dedicate, holy, prepare, consecrate, appoint, bid, purify| {H6942}

N^m) **קדש** (Q-DSh) — **Prostitute:** A male prostitute set aside for a special purpose. [freq. 6] |kjb: sodomite, unclean| {H6945}

N^{f1}) **קדשה** (QD-ShH) — **Prostitute:** A female prostitute set aside for a special purpose. [freq. 5] |kjb: harlot, whore| {H6948}

b^m) **קדש** (Q-DYSh) — **Special:** One who is set apart as special. [Aramaic only] [freq. 13] |kjb: saint, holy| {H6922}

c^m) **קדוש** (Q-DWSh) — **Special:** One who is set apart as special. [ms: **קדוש**] [freq. 116] |kjb: holy, saint| {H6918}

g^m) **קדש** (QW-DSh) — **Set apart:** Someone or something that has been separated from the rest for a special purpose. [ms: **קדש**] [freq. 468] |kjb: holy, sanctuary, hallowed, holiness, dedicated, consecrated| {H6944}

h^m) **מקדש** (MQ-DSh) — **Sanctuary:** A place set apart for a special purpose. [freq. 74] |kjb: sanctuary, holy place, chapel, hallowed| {H4720}