



# Hebrew & Greek Words for Mockery

Definitions for teaching session



**1. *empaizō* (Pronounced) emp-ahead'-zo:** from [G1722](#) and [G3815](#); to jeer at, i.e. deride:—**mock**. The KJV translates Strong's G1702 in the following manner: [mock](#) (13x).

Matthew 27:29; Mark 10:34; Luke 18:320 (Jesus after they put the crown of thorns on his head and read in his hand,

**2. *ṣāḥaq* (Pronounced) tsaw-khak'** to laugh outright (in merriment or scorn); by implication, to **sport:—laugh, mock, play, make sport**.

The KJV translates Strong's H6711 in the following manner: [laugh](#) (6x), [mock](#) (4x), [sport](#) (2x), [play](#) (1x).

Genesis 19:14; 21:9, 39:14-17; Exodus 32:6; Judges 16:25 (Samson when blind, Sarah laughed, Lot's son in laws, Ishamel and Isaac, and Potipher's wife used it to accuse Joseph of raping her.)

**3. *ʿālal* (Pronounced) aw-lal':** to effect thoroughly; specifically, to glean (also figuratively); by implication (in a bad sense) **to overdo, i.e. maltreat, be saucy to, pain, impose (also literal):—abuse, affect, × child, defile, do, glean, mock, practice, thoroughly, work (wonderfully)**.

The KJV translates Strong's H5953 in the following manner: [glean](#) (4x), [done](#) (3x), [abuse](#) (3x), [mock](#) (2x), [affecteth](#) (1x), [children](#) (1x), [do](#) (1x), [defiled](#) (1x), [practise](#) (1x), [thoroughly](#) (1x), [wrought wonderfully](#) (1x), [wrought](#) (1x).

Numbers 22:29; Jeremiah 38:19; Judges 19:25 (Balaam's Donkey, Zedekiah fear of being mocked, Note that Judges 19:25 refers to the woman who was raped and abused all night. They use this word for abuse/mock.)

**4. *hāṭal* (Pronounced) haw-thal':** to deride; by implication, **to cheat:—deal deceitfully, deceive, mock**.

The KJV translates Strong's H2048 in the following manner: [mock](#) (6x), [deceive](#) (3x), [deal deceitfully](#) (1x).

[1Ki 18:27](#) Elijah mocked the priests of Baal,

**5. *qālas* (Pronounced) kaw-las':** to disparage, i.e. ridicule:—**mock, scoff, scorn**.

The KJV translates Strong's H7046 in the following manner: [mock](#) (2x), [scorn](#) (1x), [scoff](#) (1x).

1 Kings 2:23 (Youth mocked Elisha's bald head)



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**6. לֹוֹשׁ (Pronounced) loots:** to make mouths at, i.e. to **scoff**; hence (from the effort to pronounce a foreign language) to interpret, or (generally) intercede:—ambassador, have in derision, interpreter, make a mock, mocker, scorn(-er, -ful), teacher.

The KJV translates Strong's H3887 in the following manner: [scorner](#) (14x), [scorn](#) (4x), [interpreter](#) (2x), [mocker](#) (2x), [ambassadors](#) (1x), [derision](#) (1x), [mock](#) (1x), [scornful](#) (1x), [teachers](#) (1x).

[Proverbs 19:29](#) Judgments are prepared for scorers, and stripes for the back of fools.  
[Pro 20:1](#); [Pro 21:24](#); [Pro 3:34](#)

## Jesus took Mockery on Our Behalf

While there are no records of Jesus mocking. We have insight into how He was unjustly mocked.

- **Jesus was mocked in the most humiliating and undeserving ways:**
  - The soldiers both undressed and dressed while mocking. [Matthew 27:27-31](#)
  - Guards mocked, taunted and beat Jesus while He was blindfolded. [Luke 22:63](#)
  - The people passing Jesus in humiliation and shame did not show compassion, but mocked him. [Matthew 27:39-41](#)
  - The prophesy in [Psalm 22](#) describes the mockery and humiliation that the Messiah would endure for the cause of love.
  - One of the criminals hanging beside Jesus. [Luke 23:39](#)
- **The mockery of Jesus was intended to produce:**
  - Shame over His identity (The enemy still tries to do this to us.)
  - Humiliation and degradation in the form of undeserved punishment.
  - Fulfilment of O.T. prophecies about the Messiah.
  - A symbolic act of rejection of Jesus' claim to be King of the Jews

Psalm 1:1-2   2 Peter 3:3-4   Proverbs 3:34   Isaiah 57:4



# Mockery: In Action & signs

Coping Mechanism

Generational or Learned Response

Spirit in Operation

Boundary Warning

Effect of Sin.

Pride

Rebellion

No Fear of the Lord

Control

Manipulation

## No Excuses for Mockery

**Elijah taunted the prophets of Baal to show God's Greatness:** As soon as Jezebel returned the taunt, Elijah ran and wanted to die. What did he loose? Mocking came upon him not long after he released it.

**Jesus left us an example of love and forgiveness, not mockery. Look at how the enemy seeks to mock God. God set up the marriage between a husband and wife to be a reflection on Jesus and the church. How does the enemy try to mock God through perversion? When people blame God for what the enemy does, is that not a form of mockery?**

### David Mocked & Accused

1 Samuel 17:28 Now Eliab his oldest brother heard when he spoke to the men; and Eliab's anger was aroused against David, and he said, "Why did you come down here? And with whom have you left those few sheep in the wilderness? I know your pride and the insolence of your heart, for you have come down to see the battle." NKJV

#### Pattern:

Mockery before a battle/victory

He addressed David publicly.

He gave a harsh nod to his lowly estate of being a shepherd.

Pridefully accused David's motive when he came to bring the soldiers goods.

Misrepresented David's heart.



# Patterns in the Scripture of Mockery

	Before a Victory	After a Victory	In Public	Simultaneous Accusations	Simultaneous Humiliation
<b>David</b> 1 Samuel 17:28	✓		✓	✓	✓
<b>Jesus</b> Mt. 27:27-31	✓		✓	✓	✓
<b>Jesus</b> Luke 22:63	✓		✓	✓	✓
<b>Jesus</b> Matthew 27:39-4	✓		✓	✓	✓
<b>Nehemiah</b> Nehemiah 4:1-3	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>David</b> 1 Samuel 17:42-4	✓		✓	✓	✓
<b>God</b> Genesis 3:1-3		✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>Elisha</b> 2 Kings 2:23		✓	✓		✓
<b>Paul</b> Acts 17:32	✓		✓		✓
<b>Paul</b> Acts 17:17-20		✓	✓	✓	✓

**Mockery's Intent:** Punish, isolate, manipulate, scorn, cause defeat, cause the person to give up, shame, torment.