

"Dreams" in the Hebrew Bible

Of 65 uses of Hebrew, chalom, 34 are in Genesis

NARRATION OF CHARACTERS DREAMING

20.3	But God came to Abimelech in a dream by night, and said to him, "You are about to die because of the woman whom you have taken; for she is a married woman."
31.10	During the mating of the flock I [Jacob] once had a dream in which I looked up and saw that the male goats that leaped upon the flock were striped, speckled, and mottled.
31.24	But God came to Laban the Aramean in a dream by night, and said to him, "Take heed that you say not a word to Jacob, either good or bad."
37.5-10	Once Joseph had a dream , and when he told it to his brothers, they hated him even more.
40.5	One night they both dreamed--the cupbearer and the baker of the king of Egypt, who were confined in the prison--each his own dream, and each dream with its own meaning.
41.1	After two whole years, Pharaoh dreamed that he was standing by the Nile...
Jdg 7.13	When Gideon arrived, there was a man telling a dream to his comrade ; and he said, "I had a dream, and in it a cake of barley bread tumbled into the camp of Midian, and came to the tent, and struck it so that it fell; it turned upside down, and the tent collapsed."
1 Kg 3.5	At Gibeon YHWH appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you."
Dan 2.1	the second year of Nebuchadnezzar's reign, Nebuchadnezzar dreamed such dreams that his spirit was troubled and his sleep left him.

MESSAGES ABOUT DREAMS/DREAMERS

Gen 37.20	Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams. "
Gen 42.9	Joseph also remembered the dreams that he had dreamed about them. He said to them, "You are spies; you have come to see the nakedness of the land!"
Num 12.6	And he said, "Hear my words: When there are prophets among you, I, YHWH, make myself known to them in visions; I speak to them in dreams. "
Deut 13.5	"But those prophets or those who divine by dreams shall be put to death for having spoken treason against YHWH your God-- who brought you out of the land of Egypt and redeemed you from the house of slavery--to turn you from the way in which YHWH your God commanded you to walk. So you shall purge the evil from your midst."
1 Sam 28.6	When Saul inquired of YHWH, YHWH did not answer him, not by dreams , or by Urim, or by prophets.
Jer 23.27-28	They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream , but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says YHWH.
Jer 27.9	" You, therefore, must not listen to your prophets, your diviners, your dreamers, your soothsayers, or your sorcerers, who are saying to you, 'You shall not serve the king of Babylon.' "
Joel 2.28	Then afterward I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams , and your young men shall see visions.
Zech 10.2	For the teraphim utter nonsense, and the diviners see lies; the dreamers tell false dreams , and give empty consolation. Therefore the people wander like sheep; they suffer for lack of a shepherd.
Job 7.13-15	When I say, 'My bed will comfort me, my couch will ease my complaint,' then you scare me with dreams and terrify me with visions, so that I would choose strangling and death rather than this body.
Job 33.14-16	For God speaks in one way, and in two, though people do not perceive it. In a dream, in a vision of the night , when deep sleep falls on mortals, while they slumber on their beds, then he opens their ears, and terrifies them with warnings...
Ec-cles 5.3	For dreams come with many cares , and a fool's voice with many words.
Dan 1.17	<i>Daniel</i> also had insight into all visions and dreams.