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It takes only a single generation to make a word archaic...
and a single generation of Bible readers can bring it back
into use. **David W. Daniels**

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Where there is more than one meaning for a word, the one that applies will be apparent by the context of the verse. It is common that words have more than one meaning, depending on the way they are used. No attempt is made here to provide every possible meaning, but rather to give the meaning that applies to its usage in the Scriptures.

WORD	DEFINITION	REFERENCE
Abase	Make or bring low; to humble.	Job 40:11
Abated	Reduced in intensity or amount.	Gen 8:3
Abhor	Despise; spurn; regard with horror.	Ex 5:21
Abjects	People thrown out; outcasts.	Psa 35:15
Abode	To have stayed; remained; a dwelling.	Gen 29:14
Acceptation	Acceptance; approval.	1 Tim 1:15; 4:9
Acquit	Judged not guilty.	Job 10:14
Adamant	Rock or very hard mineral.	Ezek 3:9
Adjure	To command, under oath or threat.	Josh 6:26
Ado	Fuss; bother; tumult.	Mark 5:39
Advertise	To advise; warn; inform; reveal.	Num 24:14
Advisement	Counsel; consideration.	1 Chr 12:19
Affinity	Become a son-in-law; an in-law.	1 Ki 3:1
Affording	Providing; yielding (as of crops).	Psa 144:13
Affright	To frighten.	Dt 7:21
Afoot	On foot.	Mark 6:33
Afore	Before.	2 Ki 20:4
Afresh	Again; anew.	Heb 6:6
Agone	Ago.	1 Sam 30:13
Ague	A fever.	Lev 26:16

WORD	DEFINITION	REFERENCE
Atonement	A person or animal taking another's place, to cover sins.	Ex 29:33
Attent	Attentive; observant.	2 Chr 6:40
Augment	Increase; make bigger.	Num 32:14
Austere	Severe; strict; harsh; solemn.	Luke 19:21-22
Averse	Disliking; turned from.	Mic 2:8
Avouched	Affirmed; admitted; vouched for.	Dt 26:17-18
Away with	OT: To tolerate; bear; endure. NT: "Take away!"	Isa 1:13; Luke 23:18
Axletree	Spindle/shaft on which a wheel rotates.	1 Ki 7:32-33.
Backbiting	Evil speaking; slandering.	Psa 15:3
Balm	A medicine; rosin from a bush.	Gen 37:25
Banquetings	Drinking, gluttony; rich partying.	1 Pet 4:3
Baptize	Immerse; dip a thing.	Matt 3:6
Barbarous	Foreign.	Acts 28:2
Barked	Scraped the bark off.	Joel 1:7
Base (to be)	Low; lowly; humble.	2 Sam 6:22
Battlement	Low wall around a roof. Wall for defense.	Dt 22:8 Jer 5:10
Became him	Was fitting for; was exactly suited for.	Heb 2:10; 7:26
Beeves	Cattle.	Lev 22:19
Begat, beget	To be father of; be ancestor of.	Gen 4:18; 17:20
Behemoth	A large, plant-eating dragon or dinosaur.	Job 40:15 ff.
Belied	Lied against; spoken falsely.	Jer 5:12
Beseech	To call upon; appeal; beg.	Ex 3:18
Besom	Broom.	Isa 14:23
Besought	Asked the favor of; searched for.	Gen 42:21
Beset	To surround; to entangle.	Jdg 19:22; Heb 12:1
Bestead	See "hardly bestead."	Isa 8:21
Bestow	Give; grant; put; place. Store; gather together in one place.	Ex 32:29 Luke 12:17-18
Bethink	Come to one's senses, consider.	1 Ki 8:47

WORD	DEFINITION	REFERENCE
Bunches of camels	Camels' humps.	Isa 30:6
By and by	At once; immediately; soon.	Matt 13:21
Caldron	A pot; kettle; cauldron.	1 Sam 2:14
Canker	Something that eats away, corrodes; cancer; gangrene; an ulcer-like sore.	2 Tim 2:17
Carbuncle	A red precious stone.	Ex 28:17
Careful	Full of care; full of worry, anxiety.	Jer 17:8
Carnal	Of the flesh, fleshly; sensual.	1 Cor 3:3
Carriage	That which is carried; baggage.	Jdg 18:21
Casement	A window.	Prov 7:6
Cast angle	To fish with a hook.	Isa 19:8
Cast in the teeth	Revile or reproach, face to face.	Matt 27:44
Caul	Membrane; fatty tissue around a bodily organ.	Ex 29:13
Cauls	Close-fitting caps/nets worn by women.	Isa 3:18
Celestial	Relating to the sky or heavens.	1 Cor 15:40
Centurion	Roman commander of a hundred men.	Matt 8:5
Chambering	Sexual indulgence; lewdness.	Rom 13:13
Chamberlain	Eunuch or chief servant; one in charge of the king's quarters.	2 Ki 23:11
Chamois	A small sheep-like antelope.	Dt 14:5
Champaign	A plain; field; flat, open land.	Dt 11:30
Chapiter	Upper part of a column or pillar.	Ex 36:38
Chapmen	Tradesmen; merchants.	2 Chr 9:14
Chargeable	A burden; an undue weight.	2 Sam 13:25
Charger	A large platter or dish.	Num 7:13
Charity	Godly love in action.	1 Cor 8:1; 13:1-4
Chaste	Pure; clean; not corrupt.	2 Cor 11:2
Check	Rebuke; reproof; stop an action.	Job 20:3
Chide	Quarrel; scold; complain; find fault.	Ex 17:2

WORD	DEFINITION	REFERENCE
Disdain	To despise; to reject.	1 Sam 17:42
Dissembled	Used deceit; pretended; feigned.	Josh 7:11
Dissimulation	Hypocrisy; create false appearances.	Rom 12:9
Divers	Old spelling of “diverse;” unequal.	Prov 20:10
Doleful	Mournful cry; sorrowful howl.	Isa 13:21
Dragon	Huge lizard; dinosaur. The Devil; Satan.	Dt 32:33; Rev 12:9
Draught house	Public toilet.	2 Ki 10:27
Draught of fish	Fish caught by sweeping a net.	Luke 5:9
Dregs	Grounds at the bottom of a cup.	Psa 75:8
Dropsy	An illness where a part or all of the body swells with too much water.	Luke 14:2
Drove (n.)	Flock; a company.	Gen 32:16
Duke	Head of a family or tribe.	Gen 36:15 ff.
Durst	He/she dared; was bold enough.	Est 7:5
Earing	Plowing; tilling the ground.	Gen 45:6
Earnest (n.)	Down payment.	2 Cor 1:22
Effeminate	Acting like a woman; unmanly.	1 Cor. 6:9
Emerods	Hemorrhoids; tumors.	1 Sam 5:6
Emulation	Trying to equal or be better than others (in either a good or bad way).	Rom 11:14; Gal 5:20
Enjoin	Command; charge.	Est 9:31
Enmity	Hatred, being an enemy.	Gen 3:15, Lk 23:12
Ensample	Example; pattern or model to imitate.	1 Cor 10:11
Ensign	Flag or banner, as of an army.	Num 2:2
Ensue	Pursue; to follow after.	1 Pet 3:11
Environ	Surround; compass.	Josh 7:9
Ephah	About 6/10 bushel; a basket holding that amount.	Ex 16:36; Zech 5:6-10
Ephod	Linen garment worn by the high priest.	Ex 25:7; 28:6 ff.

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