

Back to the Father

Your Journey

Growing in our Relationship

Integrity



The concept of integrity in the Word of God comes from several Hebrew words. Tummah (8538) A feminine noun meaning integrity. This comes from the verb tamam (8552), meaning to be complete in a good or a bad sense, literal, or figurative, and is the feminine equivalent of the word tom (8537), meaning completeness or integrity. This word is used only five times in the Old Testament and is only found in the Wisdom Literature of Job and the Psalms. The related adjective tam (8535), has the meaning complete. Tamiym (8549) An adjective meaning blameless, complete. In over half of its occurrences, it describes an animal to be sacrificed to the Lord, whether a ram, a bull, or a lamb. When used in a moral sense, this word is linked with truth, virtue, uprightness, and righteousness. The term is used of one's relationship with another person and of one's relationship with God.

The Complete Word Study Dictionary and Strong's

Listed below are some of the scriptures that use these words that speak of this concept of integrity along with the Strong's number.

Job 2:3 Yahweh said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job? For there is none like him in the earth, a **blameless** (8535) and an upright man, one who fears God, and turns away from evil. He still maintains his **integrity** (8538), although you incited me against him, to ruin him without cause."

Job 2:9-10 Then his wife said to him, "Do you still maintain your **integrity** (8538)? Renounce God, and die." 10 But he said to her, "You speak as one of the foolish women would speak.

What? Shall we receive good at the hand of God, and shall we not receive evil?" In all this Job didn't sin with his lips.

Job 27:4-6 Surely my lips shall not speak unrighteousness, Neither shall my tongue utter deceit. 5 Far be it from me that I should justify you. Until I die I will not put away my **integrity (8538)** from me. 6 I hold fast to my righteousness, and will not let it go. My heart shall not reproach me so long as I live.

Job 31:6-8 Let me be weighed in an even balance, That God may know my **integrity (8538)**; 7 If my step has turned out of the way, If my heart walked after my eyes, If any defilement has stuck to my hands, 8 Then let me sow, and let another eat; Yes, let the produce of my field be rooted out.

Prov 11:3 The **integrity (8538)** of the upright shall guide them, But the perverseness of the treacherous shall destroy them.

Gen 20:1-6 Abraham traveled from there toward the land of the South, and lived between Kadesh and Shur. He lived as a foreigner in Gerar. 2 Abraham said about Sarah his wife, "She is my sister." Abimelech king of Gerar sent and took Sarah. 3 But God came to Abimelech in a dream of the night, and said to him, "Behold, you are a dead man, because of the woman whom you have taken. For she is a man's wife." 4 Now Abimelech had not come near her. He said, "Lord, will you kill even a righteous nation? 5 Didn't he tell me, 'She is my sister?' She, even she herself, said, 'He is my brother.' In the **integrity (8537)** of my heart and the innocence of my hands have I done this." 6 God said to him in the dream, "Yes, I know that in the **integrity (8537)** of your heart you have done this, and I also withheld you from sinning against me. Therefore, I didn't allow you to touch her.

1 Kings 9:3-5 Yahweh said to him, I have heard your prayer and your supplication, that you have made before me: I have made this house holy, which you have built, to put my name there forever; and my eyes and my heart shall be there perpetually. 4 As for you, if you will walk before me, as David your father walked, in **integrity (8537)** of heart, and in uprightness, to do according to all that I have commanded you, and will keep my statutes and my ordinances; 5 then I will establish the throne of your kingdom over Israel forever, according as I promised to David your father, saying, There shall not fail you a man on the throne of Israel.

Ps 7:8-9 Yahweh administers judgment to the peoples. Judge me, Yahweh, according to my righteousness, And to my **integrity (8537)** that is in me. 9 Oh let the wickedness of the wicked come to an end, But establish the righteous; Their minds and hearts are searched by the righteous God.

Ps 25:19-22 Consider my enemies, for they are many. They hate me with cruel hatred. 20 Oh keep my soul, and deliver me. Let me not be disappointed, for I take refuge in you. 21 Let **integrity (8537)** and uprightness preserve me, For I wait for you. 22 Redeem Israel, God, Out all of his troubles.

Ps 26:1-2 Judge me, Yahweh, for I have walked in my integrity (8537). I have trusted also in Yahweh without wavering. 2 Examine me, Yahweh, and prove me. Try my heart and my mind.

Ps 26:9-12 Don't gather my soul with sinners, Nor my life with bloodthirsty men; 10 In whose hands is wickedness, Their right hand is full of bribes. 11 But as for me, I will walk in my integrity (8537). Redeem me, and be merciful to me. 12 My foot stands in an even place. In the congregations I will bless Yahweh.

Ps 41:9-13 Yes, my own familiar friend, in whom I trusted, Who ate bread with me, Has lifted up his heel against me. 10 But you, Yahweh, have mercy on me, and raise me up, That I may repay them. 11 By this I know that you delight in me, Because my enemy doesn't triumph over me. 12 As for me, you uphold me in my **integrity (8537)**, And set me in your presence forever. 13 Blessed be Yahweh, the God of Israel, From everlasting and to everlasting! Amen and amen.

Ps 78:72 So he was their shepherd according to the **integrity (8537)** of his heart, And guided them by the skillfulness of his hands.

Ps 101:2 I will be careful to live a **blameless (8549)** life. When will you come to me? I will walk within my house with a **blameless (8537)** heart.

Prov 2:6-8 For Yahweh gives wisdom. Out of his mouth comes knowledge and understanding. 7 He lays up sound wisdom for the upright. He is a shield to those who walk in integrity (8537); 8 That he may guard the paths of justice, And preserve the way of his saints.

Prov 10:9 He who walks blamelessly (8537) walks surely, But he who perverts his ways will be found out.

Prov 10:29 The way of Yahweh is a stronghold to the upright (8537), But it is a destruction to the workers of iniquity.

Prov 13:6 Righteousness guards the way of integrity, (8537) But wickedness overthrows the sinner.

Prov 19:1-2 Better is the poor who walks in his **integrity** (8537) Than he who is perverse in his lips and is a fool. 2 It isn't good to have zeal without knowledge; Nor being hasty with one's feet and missing the way.

Prov 20:7 A righteous man walks in **integrity** (8537). Blessed are his children after him.

Isaiah uses this word in the negative sense to show will happen to those that do not walk in integrity of heart.

Isa 47:8-9 Now therefore hear this, you who are given to pleasures, who sit securely, who say in your heart, I am, and there is none else besides me; I shall not sit as a widow, neither shall I know the loss of children: 9 but these two things shall come to you in a moment in one day, the loss of children, and widowhood; in their **full measure** (8537) shall they come on you, in the multitude of your sorceries, and the great abundance of your enchantments.

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Let us seek to have our lives filled up with a full measure of integrity that we may walk with Yahweh in a blameless and upright manner. That we would keep his commandments with a pure mind and heart. That it would be a shield against all that is unrighteous and displeasing to our loving God.