

EVIL IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

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* Today -- I have the opportunity to give 2 messages
* First message -- Evil in the Old Testament
* Hebrew
"ra" -- Strong's #7451
 bad; inferior in quality; by extension evil, wicked
 evil -- 436 times
 wickedness -- 58 times
 wicked -- 25 times
"rasa" -- Strong's #7563
 wicked, evil
 wicked -- 252 times

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* The Origin of Evil

Isaiah 45:7 I make peace and create calamity
Gen. 2:9 tree of the knowledge of good and evil
 17 God -- if you eat of that tree, you will die
Gen. 3:1-4 serpent -- talked to Eve
 5 serpent -- if you eat of that tree, your eyes
 will be opened, and you will be like God
 -- knowing good and evil
 22 God -- behold, the man has become like one of
 Us, to know good and evil -- lest he put
 out his hand and eat also of the tree of
 life and live forever
Job 1:1 Job shunned evil
 8 God -- recognized that Job shunned evil
 11-12 Satan's details -- God approved
Job 2:3 God -- recognized that Job shunned evil
 4-6 Satan's details -- God approved

* Dealing With Evil

Isaiah 1:16 put away the evil of your doings from before My
 eyes -- cease to do evil
 11-15 hands full of blood
Isaiah 5:20 woe to those who call evil good, and good evil
 -- who put darkness for light, and light
 for darkness -- who put bitter for sweet,
 and sweet for bitter
Ezek. 33:11 turn from your evil ways
Gen. 50:15 brothers -- perhaps Joseph will hate us, and may
 actually repay us for all the evil which
 we did to him
 16-17 sent a messenger to Joseph
 18 brothers went to see Joseph
 19-20 you meant evil against me -- but God meant it

for good