

## HANDOUT-LESSON 07-“SAINTS”

The term “saint” is a term worth looking into, because it is used throughout prophecy to refer to a particular body of people. There are several Hebrew forms of the word that are used throughout the Old Testament, but they fall into two major groupings. One set are the words that come from the root khaw-sad'. These words mean to be kind, pious, merciful and godly. That is not the word being used here. According to **Strong's Hebrew and Greek Dictionaries**:

### H2623

חַוֵּסֵד

*khaw-seed'*

From [H2616](#); properly *kind*, that is, (religiously) *pious* (a saint):—godly (man), good, holy (one), merciful, saint, [un-] godly.

### H2616 (ROOT WORD)

חַוֵּסֵד

*khaw-sad'*

A primitive root; properly perhaps to *bow* (the neck only (compare [H2603](#)) in courtesy to an equal), that is, to *be kind*; also (by euphemism (compare [H1288](#)), but rarely) to *reprove*:—shew self merciful, put to shame.

The word used in Daniel Ch 7 is from the other set of words; those that come from the root kaw-dash'. This set of words means to be sacred, holy, appointed, dedicated...literally set apart for God's use or set apart **by** God for Himself.

### H6918

קָדֹשׁ יְהוָה

*kaw-doshe', kaw-doshe'*

From [H6942](#); *sacred* (ceremonially or morally); (as noun) *God* (by eminence), an *angel*, a *saint*, a *sanctuary*:—holy (One), saint.

### H6922

קָדֹשׁ

*kad-deesh'*

(Chaldee); corresponding to [H6918](#):—holy (One), saint. (**The Aramaic word used in Dan Ch 7**)

### H6944

קָדֹשׁ

*ko'-desh*

From [H6942](#); a *sacred* place or thing; rarely abstractly *sanctity*:—consecrated (thing), dedicated (thing), hallowed (thing), holiness, (X most) holy (X day, portion, thing), saint, sanctuary.

### H6942 (ROOT WORD)

קָדַשׁ

*kaw-dash'*

A primitive root; to *be* (causatively *make*, *pronounce* or *observe* as) *clean* (ceremonially or morally):—appoint, bid, consecrate, dedicate, defile, hallow, (be, keep) holy (-er, place), keep, prepare, proclaim, purify, sanctify (-ied one, self), X wholly.

There is only one word for “saints” in Greek which is the New Testament language, and it is consistent with the “sacred, set apart, holy” definition in use here in Daniel.

### G40

ἅγιος

*hag'-ee-os*

From ἁγος *hagos* (an *awful* thing) compare [G53](#), [[H2282](#)]; *sacred* (physically *pure*, morally *blameless* or *religious*, ceremonially *consecrated*):—(most) holy (one, thing), saint.

