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| **Discern**  H995 biyn (bene) **to separate mentally**, **distinguish**, **understand**, attend, consider, **be cunning**, diligently, direct, discern, eloquent, feel, inform, instruct, have intelligence, **know**, **look well to**, **mark**, **perceive**, **be prudent**, regard, skillful, teach, think, have understanding, view, **deal wisely**.  **Discern** H8085 – shama (shaw-mah) **to hear intelligently** - often with implication of attention, obedience, consider, diligently, discern, **perceive, understand,**  **Discern** H3045 yada (yaw-daw) – **to know**, in the widest sense, (**to ascertain by seeing**), recognize, comprehend, have knowledge, perceive, privy to, **have understanding**…  I Cor 2:14 - The person without the Spirit does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God but considers them foolishness, and cannot understand them because they **are discerned only** through the Spirit.  Hebrews 5:14 - But solid food is for the mature, who by constant use have **trained themselves to discern** good and evil (distinguish between what is right and what is wrong).  Ecclesiastes 8:5 - Whoever obeys his commands will not experience harm, and **the wise in heart will discern** both the appropriate time and response.  Micah 3:18 - Then **once more you shall discern the difference** **between** the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him.  I Corinthians 12:10 … He gives someone else **the ability to discern** whether a message is from the Spirit of God or from another spirit…  Matthew 24:24 - because false messiahs and false prophets will appear and display great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, **even the elect**.  I John 4:1 - Dear friends, do not believe everyone who claims to speak by the Spirit. **But be distinguishing** between the spirits whether they are from God. (You must test them to see if the spirit they have comes from God.) For there are many false prophets in the world. Jeremiah 23:16 - This is what the LORD of Hosts says: "Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you. They are making you worthless. They speak visions from their own minds, not from the LORD's mouth. I John 2:27 - As for you, **the anointing you received** from him remains in you, and you do not need anyone to teach you. But as his anointing teaches you about all things and as that anointing is real, not counterfeit --just as it has taught you, **remain in him**.  I Kings 3:9-11 – So **give your servant a discerning heart** to govern your people and to **distinguish between right and wrong**. For who is able to govern this great people of yours?" The Lord was pleased that Solomon had asked for this. So God said to him, "**Since you have asked** for this and not for long life or wealth for yourself, nor have asked for the death of your enemies but **for discernment** in administering justice, **I will do what you have asked**.  **I will give you a wise and discerning heart**, so that there will never have been anyone like you, nor will there ever be. |

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| Luke 12:56 - You hypocrites! You know how to discern the appearance of the earth and sky. Why don't you know **how to discern** the present time? I Chron 12:32 - from Issachar, men who understood the times and knew what Israel should do…  Proverbs 7:7 - And I saw among the naive, and **discerned** among the youths a young man lacking sense. Proceeding down the street near her corner, he makes his way toward her house, at twilight, as the day was fading, as the dark of night set in.  Ezekiel 22:26 - Your priests have violated my instructions and defiled my holy things. **They make no distinction between what is holy and what is not.** And they do not teach my people the **difference between** what is ceremonially clean and unclean. They disregard my Sabbath days so that I am dishonored among them.  Lev 10:9-10 - "You and your sons are not to drink wine or other fermented drink whenever you go into the tent of meeting, or you will die. This is a lasting ordinance for the generations to come, **so that you can distinguish between** the holy and the common, **between the unclean and the clean**,  Ezekiel 44:23 - And they shall teach my people **the difference between** the holy and profane, and cause them to discern between the unclean and the clean.  I Corinthians 11:29 - For those who eat and drink **without discerning** the body of Christ eat and drink judgment on themselves. That is why many among you are weak and sick, and a number of you have fallen asleep. But if we **were more discerning with regard to ourselves**, we would not come under such judgment. Yet when we are judged by the Lord, we are being disciplined so that we will not be condemned along with the world. So, my dear brothers and sisters, when you gather for the Lord's Supper, wait for each other. If you are really hungry, eat at home so you won't bring judgment upon yourselves when you meet together…  Jonah 4:10-11 - The LORD said, "You were upset about this little plant, something for which you have not worked nor did you do anything to make it grow. It grew up overnight and died the next day. Should I not be even more concerned about Nineveh, this enormous city? There are more than one hundred twenty thousand people in it **who do not discern** right from wrong, as well as many animals!"    Rom 5:3 - Not only this, but we also rejoice in our sufferings, **knowing that** tribulation works perseverance;  Rom 6:6 - We know that our old self was crucified with Him so that the body of sin might be rendered powerless, that we should no longer be slaves to sin.  Jude 1:20-24 - But you, dear friends, building yourselves up in your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit, keep yourselves in God's love as you wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to bring you to eternal life. And receive some with mercy, **discerning**; (distinguishing, making a difference), and others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire; hating even the clothing defiled by the flesh.  2 Pet 3:3,10-11 - Most importantly, I want to remind you that in the last days scoffers will come, mocking the truth and following their own sinful desires… But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything done in it will be laid bare. **Since** everything will be destroyed in this way, (knowing this) **what kind of people ought you to be?** You ought to live holy and godly lives. |

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