**DATA BASE FOR “CONSCIENCE” WORD STUDY**

The following data base is the result of “conscience” search in the ASV version of Accordance. Follow the same format as was used for the Will of God study.

* To do a “word study” means to read each text and think about what it is saying. Record your observations in the right column.
* After going through all the texts, go back and assign “categories” to the texts. Many texts will/may overlap into a category. By doing this, you will reduce the 42 references to a few common categories.
* After you have assigned the categories, make an outline that communicates what you have found the content of your data base to be. Sometimes, your observations will note what is not present that you might have expected…but what is present is the foundational product.

It is important to know that the English Bible you use will influence meaning. The ASV (1901) is used here because it is a very formal translation and tends to render the Greek term with a form of “conscience.” Review the lesson on comparing Bible versions.

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| **Eccl. 10:20** καί γε ἐν **συνειδήσει** σου βασιλέα μὴ καταράσῃ, καὶ ἐν ταμιείοις κοιτώνων σου μὴ καταράσῃ πλούσιον· ὅτι πετεινὸν τοῦ οὐρανοῦ ἀποίσει σὺν τὴν φωνήν, καὶ ὁ ἔχων τὰς πτέρυγας ἀπαγγελεῖ λόγον.  [Cf. Lev 5:1; Job 27:6 for verb form]  **Wis. 17:10** δειλὸν γὰρ ἰδίῳ πονηρία μάρτυρι καταδικαζομένη, ἀεὶ δὲ προσείληφεν τὰ χαλεπὰ συνεχομένη τῇ **συνειδήσει**·  **Acts 23:1** Ἀτενίσας δὲ ⸂ὁ Παῦλος τῷ συνεδρίῳ⸃ εἶπεν· ἄνδρες ἀδελφοί, ἐγὼ πάσῃ **συνειδήσει** ἀγαθῇ πεπολίτευμαι τῷ θεῷ ἄχρι ταύτης τῆς ἡμέρας.  **Acts 24:16** ἐν τούτῳ καὶ αὐτὸς ἀσκῶ ἀπρόσκοπον **συνείδησιν** ⸀ἔχειν ⸂πρὸς τὸν θεὸν καὶ τοὺς ἀνθρώπους διὰ παντός⸃.  **Rom. 2:15** οἵτινες ἐνδείκνυνται τὸ ἔργον τοῦ νόμου γραπτὸν ἐν ταῖς καρδίαις αὐτῶν, συμμαρτυρούσης αὐτῶν τῆς **συνειδήσεως** καὶ μεταξὺ ἀλλήλων τῶν ⸀λογισμῶν κατηγορούντων ἢ καὶ ἀπολογουμένων,  **Rom. 9:1** Ἀλήθειαν λέγω ἐν Χριστῷ⸆, οὐ ψεύδομαι, συμμαρτυρούσης μοι τῆς **συνειδήσεώς** μου ἐν πνεύματι ἁγίῳ,  **Rom. 13:5** διὸ ⸂ἀνάγκη ὑποτάσσεσθαι⸃, οὐ μόνον διὰ τὴν ὀργὴν ἀλλὰ καὶ διὰ τὴν **συνείδησιν**.  **1Cor. 8:7** Ἀλλ̓ οὐκ ἐν πᾶσιν ἡ γνῶσις· τινὲς δὲ τῇ ⸀συνηθείᾳ ἕως ἄρτι τοῦ εἰδώλου ὡς εἰδωλόθυτον ἐσθίουσιν, καὶ ἡ **συνείδησις** αὐτῶν ⸂ἀσθενὴς οὖσα⸃ μολύνεται.  **1Cor. 8:10** ἐὰν γάρ τις ἴδῃ °σὲ τὸν ἔχοντα γνῶσιν ἐν εἰδωλείῳ κατακείμενον, οὐχὶ ἡ **συνείδησις** αὐτοῦ ἀσθενοῦς ὄντος οἰκοδομηθήσεται εἰς τὸ τὰ εἰδωλόθυτα ἐσθίειν;  **1Cor. 8:12** οὕτως δὲ ἁμαρτάνοντες εἰς τοὺς ἀδελφοὺς καὶ τύπτοντες αὐτῶν τὴν **συνείδησιν** °ἀσθενοῦσαν εἰς Χριστὸν ἁμαρτάνετε.  **1Cor. 10:25** Πᾶν τὸ ἐν μακέλλῳ πωλούμενον ἐσθίετε μηδὲν ἀνακρίνοντες διὰ τὴν **συνείδησιν**·  **1Cor. 10:27** εἴ τις καλεῖ ὑμᾶς τῶν ἀπίστων ⸆ καὶ θέλετε πορεύεσθαι, ⸂πᾶν τὸ παρατιθέμενον⸃ ὑμῖν ἐσθίετε μηδὲν ἀνακρίνοντες διὰ τὴν **συνείδησιν**. **28** ἐὰν δέ τις ὑμῖν εἴπῃ· τοῦτο ⸀ἱερόθυτόν ἐστιν, μὴ ἐσθίετε δἰ ἐκεῖνον ⸋τὸν μηνύσαντα καὶ τὴν **συνείδησιν**⸆⸌· **29** **συνείδησιν** δὲ λέγω οὐχὶ τὴν ἑαυτοῦ ἀλλὰ τὴν τοῦ ἑτέρου. ἱνατί γὰρ ἡ ἐλευθερία μου κρίνεται ὑπὸ ⸀ἄλλης **συνειδήσεως**;  **2Cor. 1:12** Ἡ γὰρ καύχησις ἡμῶν αὕτη ἐστίν, τὸ μαρτύριον τῆς **συνειδήσεως** ἡμῶν, ὅτι ἐν ⸀ἁπλότητι καὶ εἰλικρινείᾳ τοῦ θεοῦ, °[καὶ] οὐκ ἐν σοφίᾳ ⸁σαρκικῇ ἀλλ̓ ἐν χάριτι θεοῦ, ἀνεστράφημεν ἐν τῷ κόσμῳ, περισσοτέρως δὲ πρὸς ὑμᾶς.  **2Cor. 4:2** ἀλλὰ ἀπειπάμεθα τὰ κρυπτὰ τῆς αἰσχύνης, μὴ περιπατοῦντες ἐν πανουργίᾳ μηδὲ δολοῦντες τὸν λόγον τοῦ θεοῦ ἀλλὰ τῇ φανερώσει τῆς ἀληθείας ⸀συνιστάνοντες ἑαυτοὺς πρὸς πᾶσαν **συνείδησιν** ἀνθρώπων ἐνώπιον τοῦ θεοῦ.  **2Cor. 5:11** Εἰδότες οὖν τὸν φόβον τοῦ κυρίου ἀνθρώπους ⸀πείθομεν, θεῷ δὲ πεφανερώμεθα· ἐλπίζω δὲ καὶ ἐν ταῖς **συνειδήσεσιν** ὑμῶν πεφανερῶσθαι.  **1Tim. 1:5** τὸ δὲ τέλος τῆς παραγγελίας ἐστὶν ἀγάπη ἐκ καθαρᾶς καρδίας καὶ **συνειδήσεως** ἀγαθῆς καὶ πίστεως ἀνυποκρίτου,  **1Tim. 1:19** ἔχων πίστιν καὶ ἀγαθὴν **συνείδησιν**, ἥν τινες ἀπωσάμενοι περὶ τὴν πίστιν ἐναυάγησαν,  **1Tim. 3:9** ἔχοντας τὸ μυστήριον τῆς πίστεως ἐν καθαρᾷ **συνειδήσει**.  **1Tim. 4:2** ἐν ὑποκρίσει ψευδολόγων, ⸀κεκαυστηριασμένων τὴν ἰδίαν **συνείδησιν**,  **2Tim. 1:3** Χάριν ἔχω τῷ θεῷ, ᾧ λατρεύω ἀπὸ προγόνων ἐν καθαρᾷ **συνειδήσει**, ὡς ἀδιάλειπτον ἔχω τὴν περὶ σοῦ μνείαν ἐν ταῖς δεήσεσίν μου νυκτὸς καὶ ἡμέρας,  **Titus 1:15** πάντα ⸆ καθαρὰ τοῖς καθαροῖς· τοῖς δὲ μεμιαμμένοις καὶ ἀπίστοις οὐδὲν καθαρόν, ἀλλὰ μεμίανται αὐτῶν καὶ ὁ νοῦς καὶ ἡ **συνείδησις**.  **Heb. 9:9** ἥτις ⸆ παραβολὴ εἰς τὸν καιρὸν τὸν ἐνεστηκότα, καθ̓ ⸀ἣν δῶρά τε καὶ θυσίαι προσφέρονται μὴ δυνάμεναι κατὰ **συνείδησιν** τελειῶσαι τὸν λατρεύοντα,  **Heb. 9:14** πόσῳ μᾶλλον τὸ αἷμα τοῦ Χριστοῦ, ὃς διὰ πνεύματος ⸀αἰωνίου ἑαυτὸν προσήνεγκεν ἄμωμον τῷ θεῷ, καθαριεῖ τὴν **συνείδησιν** ⸁ἡμῶν ἀπὸ νεκρῶν ἔργων εἰς τὸ λατρεύειν θεῷ ζῶντι⸆.  **Heb. 10:2** ἐπεὶ ⸂οὐκ ἂν⸃ ἐπαύσαντο προσφερόμεναι διὰ τὸ μηδεμίαν ἔχειν ἔτι **συνείδησιν** ἁμαρτιῶν τοὺς λατρεύοντας ἅπαξ κεκαθαρισμένους;  **Heb. 10:22** ⸀προσερχώμεθα μετὰ ἀληθινῆς καρδίας ἐν πληροφορίᾳ πίστεως ῥεραντισμένοι τὰς καρδίας ἀπὸ **συνειδήσεως** πονηρᾶς καὶ λελουσμένοι τὸ σῶμα ὕδατι καθαρῷ·  **Heb. 13:18** Προσεύχεσθε ⸆ περὶ ἡμῶν· πειθόμεθα γὰρ ὅτι καλὴν **συνείδησιν** ἔχομεν, ἐν πᾶσιν καλῶς θέλοντες ἀναστρέφεσθαι.  **1Pet. 2:19** τοῦτο γὰρ χάρις ⸆ εἰ διὰ **συνείδησιν** ⸀θεοῦ ὑποφέρει τις λύπας πάσχων ἀδίκως.  **1Pet. 3:16** °ἀλλὰ μετὰ πραΰτητος καὶ φόβου, **συνείδησιν** ἔχοντες ἀγαθήν, ἵνα ἐν ᾧ ⸀καταλαλεῖσθε ⸁καταισχυνθῶσιν οἱ ἐπηρεάζοντες ὑμῶν τὴν ⸂ἀγαθὴν ἐν Χριστῷ⸃ ἀναστροφήν.  **1Pet. 3:21** ⸀ὃ καὶ ⸁ὑμᾶς ἀντίτυπον νῦν σῴζει βάπτισμα, οὐ σαρκὸς ἀπόθεσις ῥύπου ἀλλὰ **συνειδήσεως** ἀγαθῆς ἐπερώτημα εἰς θεόν, δἰ ἀναστάσεως Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, | **Eccl. 10:20** Do not revile the kinga even in your thoughts, or curse the rich in your bedroom, because a bird in the sky may carry your words, and a bird on the wing may report what you say.  Translations of Wisdom 17:10  For whereas wickedness is fearful, it beareth witness of its condemnation: for a troubled conscience always forecasteth grievous things.  **11** For wickedness, condemned by her own witness, is very timorous, and being pressed with conscience, always forecasteth grievous things.  Acts 23:1 And Paul, looking stedfastly on the council, said, Brethren, I have lived before God in all good conscience until this day.  Acts 24:16 Herein I also exercise myself to have a conscience void of offence toward God and men always.  Rom. 2:15 in that they show the work of the law written in their hearts, their conscience bearing witness therewith, and their thoughts one with another accusing or else excusing them  Rom. 9:1 I say the truth in Christ, I lie not, my conscience bearing witness with me in the Holy Spirit,  Rom. 13:5 Wherefore ye must needs be in subjection, not only because of the wrath, but also for conscience’ sake.  **[1 Cor 4:4 is a verb and not in this noun list]**  1Cor. 8:7 Howbeit there is not in all men that knowledge: but some, being used until now to the idol, eat as of a thing sacrificed to an idol; and their conscience being weak is defiled.  1Cor. 8:10 For if a man see thee who hast knowledge sitting at meat in an idol’s temple, will not his conscience, if he is weak, be emboldened to eat things sacrificed to idols?  1Cor. 8:12 And thus, sinning against the brethren, and wounding their conscience when it is weak, ye sin against Christ.  1Cor. 10:25 Whatsoever is sold in the shambles, eat, asking no question for conscience’ sake,  1Cor. 10:27 If one of them that believe not biddeth you to a feast, and ye are disposed to go; whatsoever is set before you, eat, asking no question for conscience’ sake. 28 But if any man say unto you, This hath been offered in sacrifice, eat not, for his sake that showed it, and for conscience sake: 29 conscience, I say, not thine own, but the other’s; for why is my liberty judged by another conscience?  2Cor. 1:12 For our glorifying is this, the testimony of our conscience, that in holiness and sincerity of God, not in fleshly wisdom but in the grace of God, we behaved ourselves in the world, and more abundantly to you-ward.  2Cor. 4:2 but we have renounced the hidden things of shame, not walking in craftiness, nor handling the word of God deceitfully; but by the manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man’s conscience in the sight of God.  1Tim. 1:5 But the end of the charge is love out of a pure heart and a good conscience and faith unfeigned:  1Tim. 1:19 holding faith and a good conscience; which some having thrust from them made shipwreck concerning the faith:  1Tim. 3:9 holding the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience.  1Tim. 4:2 through the hypocrisy of men that speak lies, branded in their own conscience as with a hot iron;  2Tim. 1:3 I thank God, whom I serve from my forefathers in a pure conscience, how unceasing is my remembrance of thee in my supplications, night and day  Titus 1:15 To the pure all things are pure: but to them that are defiled and unbelieving nothing is pure; but both their mind and their conscience are defiled.  Heb. 9:9 which is a figure for the time present; according to which are offered both gifts and sacrifices that cannot, as touching the conscience, make the worshipper perfect,  Heb. 9:14 how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish unto God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?  ASV = **Heb. 10:2** Else would they not have ceased to be offered? because the worshippers, having been once cleansed, would have had no more consciousness of sins.  **[ NIV] Heb. 10:2** Otherwise, would they not have stopped being offered? For the worshipers would have been cleansed once for all, and would no longer have felt guilty for their sins.a  Heb. 10:22 let us draw near with a true heart in fulness of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience: and having our body washed with pure water,  Heb. 13:18 Pray for us: for we are persuaded that we have a good conscience, desiring to live honorably in all things.  1Pet. 2:19 For this is acceptable, if for conscience toward God a man endureth griefs, suffering wrongfully.  1Pet. 3:16 having a good conscience; that, wherein ye are spoken against, they may be put to shame who revile your good manner to life in Christ.  1Pet. 3:21 which also after a true likeness doth now save you, even baptism, not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the interrogation of a good conscience toward God, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ; | Watch for how adjectives, “good,” are used with conscience. Conscience is often “described” in a number of ways.  Be alert to when “witness” is used to describe conscience.  See lecture notes on 1 Cor 4:4  The Gooch article cited in my Dictionary article is a crucial read on 1 Cor use of conscience. |