- Proverbs 17:15 -- "He who <u>justifies</u> the wicked, and he who condemns the <u>righteous</u>, Both of them alike are an abomination to the Lord."
- I Kings 8:31-32 -- "If a man sins against his neighbor and is made to take an oath, and he comes and takes an oath before Thine altar in this house, then hear Thou in heaven and act and judge Thy servants, condemning the wicked by bringing his way on his own head and justifying the righteous by giving him according to his righteousness."
- Job 32:2 -- "But the anger of Elihu the son of Barachel. the Buzite, of the family of Ram burned; against Job his anger burned, because he <u>justified</u> himself before God."
- (2) In the New Testament (δικαιόω)
- Luke 7:29 -- "And when all the people and the tax-gatherers heard this, they acknowledged God's justice (lit, justified God), having been baptized with the baptism of John."
- Luke 16:15 -- "And He said to them, 'You are those who justify yourselves in the sight of men, but God knows your hearts; for that which is highly esteemed among man is detestable in the sight of God."
- Romans 5:1 -- "Therefore having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ."
- Romans 3:23-26 -- "for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, being justified as a gift by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus; whom God displayed publicly as a propitiation in His blood through faith. This was to demonstrate His righteousness, because in the forbearance of God He passed over the sins previously committed; for the demonstration, I say, of His righteousness at the present time, that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus."
- Matthew 12:36-37 -- "And I say to you, that every careless word that men shall speak, they shall render account for it in the day of judgment. For by your words you shall be justified, and by your words you shall be condemned."
- Romans 5:16-18 -- "And the gift is not like that which came through the one who sinned; for on the one hand the judgment arose from one transgression resulting in condemnation, but on the other hand the free gift arose from many transgressions resulting in justification. For if by the transgression of the one, death reigned through the one, much more those who receive the abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ. So then as through one transgression there resulted condemnation to all men; even so through one act of righteousness there resulted justification of life to all men."