

## Chapter Eighteen

### Pu'al Strong Verbs

#### Vocabulary

אָנוּשׁ	man, mankind	חָנַן	to be gracious to, favor
אַסַּר	to bind	מוֹעֵד	appointed time, place
בְּגָד	garment	מַרְאֵה	sight, appearance
בְּרָכָה	blessing (f)	נֹגֵב	the dry country, south
גִּזְרָל	lot, portion, share	עוֹר	to arouse, awake
גֶּפֶן	vine (f)	עָפָר	dry earth, dust
גֶּשֶׁם	rain, shower	עָרַךְ	to arrange, set in order
זָעַק	to cry out	פָּעַם	foot, step, time (f)
חָזָה	to see, perceive	רָחַץ	to wash, wash off
חָלָה	to become weak, sick	שָׁכַל	to have success, prosper

#### Pu'al

The Pu'al (פֻּעַל) is the intensive passive verb stem. The Pu'al is used to express intensive passive action. For example:

הִנֵּה יוֹם-בָּא לַיהוָה וְחֵלֶק שְׁלֹלֶךָ בְּקִרְבֶּךָ

“Behold, the day of the LORD is coming, And your spoil **will be divided** in your midst.” (Zech. 14:1)

#### Pu'al Perfect Form

To form the Pu'al perfect, place a qibuts ( ֿ ) under the first root consonant and a daghesh forte ( ִ ) in the second root consonant.

Perfect			
	Qal		Pu'al
3ms	שָׁמַר	→	שֹׁמַר

Perfect			
	Qal	Pu'al	Translation
3ms	שָׁמַר	שָׁמַר	He was guarded
3fs	שָׁמְרָה	שָׁמְרָה	She was guarded
2ms	שָׁמַרְתָּ	שָׁמַרְתָּ	You were guarded
2fs	שָׁמַרְתְּ	שָׁמַרְתְּ	You were guarded
1cs	שָׁמַרְתִּי	שָׁמַרְתִּי	I was guarded
3cp	שָׁמְרוּ	שָׁמְרוּ	They were guarded
2mp	שָׁמַרְתֶּם	שָׁמַרְתֶּם	You were guarded
2fp	שָׁמַרְתֶּן	שָׁמַרְתֶּן	You were guarded
1cp	שָׁמַרְנוּ	שָׁמַרְנוּ	We were guarded

### Pu'al Imperfect Form

To form the Pu'al imperfect, place a sheva ( ) under the imperfect performative, a qibbutz ( ) under the first root consonant, and a dagesh forte (·) in the second root consonant.

Imperfect			
	Qal		Pu'al
3ms	יִשְׁמַר	→	יִשְׁמַרְ

Imperfect			
	Qal	Pu'al	Translation
3ms	יִשְׁמַר	יִשְׁמַרְ	He will be guarded
3fs	תִּשְׁמַר	תִּשְׁמַרְ	She will be guarded
2ms	תִּשְׁמַרְ	תִּשְׁמַרְ	You will be guarded
2fs	תִּשְׁמַרִי	תִּשְׁמַרִי	You will be guarded
1cs	אֶשְׁמַר	אֶשְׁמַרְ	I will be guarded
3mp	יִשְׁמְרוּ	יִשְׁמְרוּ	They will be guarded
3fp	תִּשְׁמַרְנָה	תִּשְׁמַרְנָה	They will be guarded
2mp	תִּשְׁמְרוּ	תִּשְׁמְרוּ	You will be guarded
2fp	תִּשְׁמַרְנָה	תִּשְׁמַרְנָה	You will be guarded
1cp	נִשְׁמַר	נִשְׁמַרְ	We will be guarded

### Pu'al Infinitive Form

The Pu'al Infinitive construct and absolute are formed as follows.

Pu'al Infinitive Construct	Pu'al Infinitive Absolute
שָׁמַר	שָׁמַר

### Pu'al Participle Form

To form the Pu'al participle, start with the Qal participle, add the participle prefix (מְ) add the qibbuts ( ֻ ) under the first root consonant, and the daghesh forte ( ִ ) in the second root consonant.

	Qal Passive Participle		Pu'al Participle	
ms	שֹׁמֵר	→	מְשֹׁמֵר	Being guarded
mp	שֹׁמְרִים	→	מְשֹׁמְרִים	Being guarded
fs	שֹׁמְרָה	→	מְשֹׁמְרָה	Being guarded
fp	שֹׁמְרוֹת	→	מְשֹׁמְרוֹת	Being guarded

### Practice

I. Memorize the vocabulary

II. Memorize the Pi'el Perfect, Imperfect, and Participle forms.

III. Translate the following:

1. וַיֹּאמֶר הָאָדָם זֹאת הַפֶּעַם עָצָם מֵעַצְמוֹ וּבָשָׂר מִבְּשָׂרִי לְזֹאת יִקְרָא אִשָּׁה כִּי מֵאִישׁ לִקְחָהּ זֹאת (Gen. 2:23)
2. וַיְהִי כִּי־הִחֲלַל (he profaned) הָאָדָם לְרֵב עַל־פְּנֵי הָאֱלֹהִים וּבְנוֹת יְלָדָיו לָקָם (Gen. 6:1)
3. הִנֵּה יוֹם־בָּא לִיהוָה וְחָלַק שָׁלֶלֶךְ בְּקִרְבֶּךָ (Zech. 14:1)
4. טוֹב־לִי כִּי־עָנִיתִי לְמַעַן אֶלְמַד חֻקֶּיךָ (Ps. 119:71)