

LIGHT DISEASE

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Or

“Light”

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Or

“Skin”

עור בשרו (Or basaro) = “skin of his flesh”

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White spots in four shades (*Shevuot 5b*):

- White as snow
- White as fleece
- White as lime
- White as egg-skin

***Tzaraat* was NOT a medical condition!!**

- Only visible skin was examined
- Was not contagious
- No medical treatment prescribed
- Could afflict clothing, furniture and walls
- Impurity depends upon the declaration of the *cohen*, not the condition of the skin
- A person completely covered with leprosy considered pure
- After recovery a sin offering required