So I think that BDB though it is older is far better, far more dependable.

Worst of all K-B has an English translation of the German words. Some fool has recently published a book in English giving the Heb. word with the Eng. trans. found in K-B of the German word which they give to trans. the Heb. words! Now you see that's tow stages removed! All it gives is the words without any proof that's what it means, and I wish that all those copies were destroyed. They are valuable to refer you to discussions in magazines. That is the big. K-B. Discussions that have occurred in the last 60 yrs. in magazines of the meaing of a word. But most people who use it do not look up those discussions, or even use this English book that merely gives the English translation of the German and often a mistranslation of the German which may in many cases be a mistranslation of the Hebrew. So I believe the book is a very very unfortunate thing which unfortunately people like to think of themselves as scholarly today are using all over the country instead of using BDB which gives you the material to see on which t what the evidence is for the meaning.

Now <u>schuach</u> does mean "to dig." There are two or three clear cases, but it's not a common word. And <u>schachath</u> may be a pit, but there are only two or three cases where the context makes it so. But BDB in this particular cases translate all uses of <u>schachath</u> as "pit" which is to my opinion utter nonsense! And the RSV does the same thing. So wherever it says "they will bring me down to death" they say "he will bring me down to the pit" and then they put pit with a capital P. Then once recent Bible dictionary made the statement that in Jewish and