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Oil is useful for many things, because it heals wounds, Luke 10[:34]: “The Samaritan pouring in oil and wine.” Second, it mitigates pains, Psal. [103:15]: “That he may make the face cheerful with oil.” Third, it illuminates the depth of the waters, James [5:14]. Fourth, it sweetens food, Lev. 7[:12]: “They shall offer loaves without leaven tempered with oil.” Fifth, it gives the material in consecrations, Psal. [88:21]: “With my holy oil I have anointed him.” Sixth, it readies the food for the fire, Matt. 25[:8]: “Give us of your oil.” Seventh, it spreads itself out for pouring, Job 29[:6]: “The rock poured me out rivers of oil.” Eighth, it swims above other liquids, Can. 1[:2] “Your name is as oil poured out.” Ninth, it makes ready the splendor to the colors, Prov. 5[:3]: “Her throat is smoother than oil.”