#### **▼** DEFINITION

**authority** *noun* **1** *synonyms* **EXPERT**, adept, artist, artiste, master, past master, professional, proficient, virtuoso, wizard **2** *synonyms* **POWER 1**, command, control, domination, jurisdiction, mastery, might, strings, sway *related words* governance, government, rule **3** *synonyms* **INFLUENCE 1**, credit, prestige, weight *related words* example, exemplar, ideal, model, pattern, standard; force, power, pressure MWCT

**37.37 ἐξουσία**<sup>c</sup>, **ας** f: a means or instrument by which authority is marked or symbolized —'symbol of authority, symbol of subjection to authority.' ἡ γυνὴ ἐξουσίαν ἔχειν ἐπὶ τῆς κεφαλῆς 'a woman should have on her head a symbol of authority (over her)' 1 Cor 11:10. This passage, however, is subject to a number of different interpretations, as commentaries clearly indicate.

## Louw-Nida

**1849. ἐξουσία exousía**; gen. exousías, fem. noun from éxesti (1832), it is permissible, allowed. Permission, authority, right, liberty, power to do something (Acts 26:12). As éxesti denies the presence of a hindrance, it may be used either of the capability or the right to do a certain action. The words éxesti and exousía combine the two ideas of right and might. As far as right, authority, or capability is concerned, it involves ability, power, WSNTDICT

#### **▼** TRANSLATION

authority NKJV, NASB95, NIV84, NASB95PARA, NIV, NRSV power KJV 1900, AV 1873
a authority ESV
a covering ... to show under authority NLT
a symbol of authority LEB
a veil RSV
potestatem VGCLEM

Text Comparison

# ▼ WORD INFO

- ▼ ≣ ἐξουσίαν exousian
  - 🕻 ἐξουσία exousia 🕠 power; authority
  - √ ουσια *ousia* property; wealth
  - MASF noun, accusative, singular, feminine
  - ⟨⟩ G1849 Greek Strong's
  - ⟨⟩ LN 37.37 Louw-Nida
  - authority (symbol) noun

### **▶** OTHER REFERENCES