

refer to Himself as the Son of man. Would all these people immediately think of this one verse in Daniel? ~~Perhaps~~ ~~Per~~ Perhaps an occasional one who was deeply steeped in the Scriptures might do so but most of his hearers this one verse and that using the term in a general sense without an article quite different from the way He used it which always in the Greek has two articles. It would hardly occur to them.

When we look at the OT^o as a whole we find that the term Son of man == that in most of its books the term Son of man is used very rarely and then its uses are almost entirely limited to places where it is used in parallel with the word man as in [here give an illustration, not the one that is quoted in Heb. "what is man?"]

We find among Jesus' friends, even among His enemies we rarely find any ~~excited~~ excitement, surprise or wonderment expressed at His calling Himself Son of man. Surely if it ^{were} was a term unknown to them or known only from a very few uses ~~some~~-somewhere, someone would have asked, Why on earth do you call yourself this way? There is one book in the OT^o where the converse is true. In the book of Ezek. the words "son of man" are used more than 90 times. In every one of these they are placed in the mouth of God who calls Ezekiel by this term as He gives him a revelation. Starting with _____ occurrences in Ezek. 2 [~~or is it Ezek. 14~~] the term is used over and over where God speaks to Ezekiel in order to ~~to~~ give him a revelation of God's truth. Over and over he calls Ezekiel son of man.

As Jews in the time of Christ listened to the synagogue readings or as they read the book of Ezekiel for themselves, the term Son of man would sink into their conscience. It was used by God in order to give this one man whom God selected as the instrument for His revelation. The term as ~~many~~ Jews heard Jesus call Himself Son of man, most of them would recall the use in EZEKIEL. Objection has been made to giving this as the source of this self designation. It is said that the term is always used in the vocative as a term of address in Ezekiel. In the NT^o