

~ABEL 3 (22)
(A'bel)

- The **King James Version** refers to **the great stone of Abel**, while the marginal reading says; Or, great Abel, that is, mourning. However, modern translations generally read here simply **the great stone**. [AT, NC [Spanish], NW, JB, and others.] While the **Masoretic Hebrew** text uses the word *'A-vel'* in this verse, the **Greek Septuagint** and the **Aramaic Targums** translate it as if it were *'e'ven*, that is, **stone**. This agrees with verse 14 of the same chapter. It could not refer to Abel of Beth-maacah, since the incident recorded at;
- And the golden jerboas were to the number of all the cities of the Philistines belonging to the five axis lords, from the fortified city to the village of the open country. And the great stone upon which they rested the ark of Yehowah is a witness down to this day in the field of Joshua the Beth-shemite. (**1 Samuel 6:18**)
- Took place near Beth-shemesh in Judah.