

~ABIHAIL 5 (32)

(Ab'i-ha-il) [My Father Is Vital Energy]

- **The father of Queen Esther and a descendant of Benjamin. He was the uncle of Esther's cousin, Mordecai.**
- **A certain man, a Jew, happened to be in Shushan the castle, and his name was Mordecai the son of Jair the son of Shimei the son of Kish a Benjaminite. (Esther 2:5)**
- **And when the turn of Esther the daughter of Abihail the uncle of Mordecai, whom he had taken as his daughter, arrived to come in to the king, she did not request anything except what Hegai the king's eunuch, the guardian of the women, proceeded to mention, all the while Esther was continually gaining favor in the eyes of everyone seeing her. (Esther 2:15)**
- **And Esther the queen, the daughter of Abihail, and Mordecai the Jew proceeded to write with all forcefulness to confirm this second letter concerning Purim. (Esther 9:29)**
- **And he came to be the caretaker of Hadassah, that is, Esther, the daughter of his father's brother, for she had neither father nor mother, and the young woman was pretty in form and beautiful in appearance, and at the death of her father and her mother Mordecai took her as his daughter. (Esther 2:7)**
- **Indicates that he and his wife died when their daughter Esther was quite young and thus sometime before her marriage to King Ahasuerus.**