

### **~ABIJAH 3 (33)**

**(A-bi'jah) [My Father Is Yehowah]**

- The prophet Samuel's second son, who, together with his elder brother Joel, was appointed by his aging father to be a judge of Israel at Beer-sheba. Because they perverted judgment, accepted bribes, and extorted unjust profits, the older men of Israel demanded that Samuel appoint a king to rule over them.
- And it came about that as soon as Samuel had grown old he made appointments of his sons as judges for Israel. (**1 Samuel 8:1**)
- Now the name of his firstborn son happened to be Joel, and the name of his second **Abijah**, they were judging in Beer-sheba. (**1 Samuel 8:2**)
- And his sons did not walk in his ways, but they were inclined to follow unjust profit and would accept a bribe and pervert judgment. (**1 Samuel 8:3**)
- In time all the older men of Israel collected themselves together and came to Samuel at Ramah (**1 Samuel 8:4**)
- And said to him; Look! You yourself have grown old, but your own sons have not walked in your ways. Now do appoint for us a king to judge us like all the nations. (**1 Samuel 8:5**)
- And the sons of Samuel were the firstborn Joel and the second **Abijah**. (**1 Chronicles 6:28**)