~AHITUB 1 (91) (A-hi'tub) [My Brother Is Goodness]

- A descendant of Aaron's son Ithamar, son of Phinehas and grandson of High Priest Eli.
- And Ahijah the son of Ahitub, the brother of Ichabod, the son of Phinehas, the son of Eli, the priest of Yehowah in Shiloh, was carrying the ephod. And the people themselves did not know that Jonathan had gone. (1 Samuel 14:3)
- And David, and Zadok from the sons of Eleazar, and Ahimelech from the sons of Ithamar proceeded to make divisions of them for their office in their service. (1 Chronicles 24:3)
- Following the death of his father and grandfather on the same day, Ahitub possibly officiated as High Priest.
- So the news bearer answered and said, Israel has fled before the Philistines, and there has also occurred a great defeat among the people, and also your own two sons have died, Hophni and Phinehas, and the very ark of the true God has been captured. (1 Samuel 4:17)
- And it came about that at the moment that he mentioned the ark of the true God, he began to fall from the seat backward beside the gate, and his neck got broken so that he died, because the man was old and heavy, and he himself had judged Israel forty years. (1 Samuel 4:18)
- His son, High Priest Ahimelech, was slain at Saul's command.
- At this Doeg the Edomite, being stationed as he was over the servants of Saul, answered and said; I saw the son of Jesse come to Nob to Ahimelech the son of Ahitub. (1 Samuel 22:9)
- And he proceeded to inquire of Yehowah for him, and provisions he gave him, and the sword of Goliath the Philistine he gave him. (1 Samuel 22:10)
- At once the king sent to call Ahimelech the son of Ahitub the priest and all the house of his father, the priests that were in

- Nob. So all of them came to the king. (1 Samuel 22:11)
- Saul now said; Listen, please, you son of Ahitub! To which he said; Here I am, my lord. (1 Samuel 22:12)
- And Saul went on to say to him; Why have you men conspired against me, you and the son of Jesse, by your giving him bread and a sword, and there being an inquiry of God for him, to rise up against me as a lier in ambush the way it is this day? (1 Samuel 22:13)
- At this Ahimelech answered the king and said; And who among all your servants is like David, faithful, and the son-in-law of the king and a chief over your bodyguard and honored in your house? (1 Samuel 22:14)
- Is it today that I have started to inquire of God for him? It is unthinkable on my part! Do not let the king lay anything against his servant and against the entire house of my father, for in all this your servant did not know a thing small or great. (1 Samuel 22:15)
- But the king said; You will positively die, Ahimelech, you with all the house of your father. (1 Samuel 22:16)
- With that the king said to the runners stationed about him; Turn and put to death the priests of Yehowah, because their hand also is with David and because they knew that he was a runaway and they did not disclose it to my ear! And the servants of the king did not want to thrust out their hand to assault the priests of Yehowah. (1 Samuel 22:17)
- Finally the king said to Doeg; You turn and assault the priests! Immediately Doeg the Edomite turned and himself assaulted the priests and put to death on that day eighty-five men bearing an ephod of linen. (1 Samuel 22:18)
- Even Nob the city of the priests he struck with the edge of the sword, man as well as woman, child as well as suckling and bull and ass and sheep with the edge of the sword. (1 Samuel 22:19)
- However, one son of Ahimelech the son of Ahitub, whose name was Abiathar, made his escape and went running away to follow David. (1 Samuel 22:20)