

~ASAPH 3 (36)

(A'saph) [He, or God, Has Gathered]

- Among the officials of King Hezekiah 745-717 B.C.E, is mentioned Joah the son of **Asaph** the recorder.
- And they began to call out to the king, but there came out to them Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, who was over the household, and Shebna the secretary and Joah the son of **Asaph** the recorder. (2 Kings 18:18)
- But Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, who was over the household, and Shebna the secretary and Joah the son of **Asaph** the recorder came to Hezekiah with their garments ripped apart and told him the words of Rabshakeh. (2 Kings 18:37)
- Then there came out to him Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, who was over the household, and Shebna the secretary and Joah the son of **Asaph** the recorder. (Isaiah 36:3)
- But Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, who was over the household, and Shebna the secretary and Joah the son of **Asaph** the recorder came to Hezekiah with their garments ripped apart, and told him the words of Rabshakeh. (Isaiah 36:22)
- While John Kittos' Cyclopaedia of Biblical Literature (1880, Vol. I, p. 233) applies the term recorder to **Asaph**, most scholars view it as applying to Joah, thus, Joah ben **Asaph**, the recorder. Since the term son is often used in the sense of descendant, some suggest that this **Asaph** is the same as,

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