

~ASRIEL (64)
(As'ri-el)

- A male descendant of Manasseh who became the family head of the **Asrielites**.
- The sons of Manasseh were, of Machir the family of the Machirites. And Machir became father to Gilead. Of Gilead the family of the Gileadites. (**Numbers 26:29**)
- These were the sons of Gilead. Of Iezer the family of the Iezerites, of Helek the family of the Helekites. (**Numbers 26:30**)
- Of **Asriel** the family of the **Asrielites**. Of Shechem the family of the Shechemites. (**Numbers 26:31**)
- Indicates that he was the great-grandson of Manasseh through Machir and his son Gilead. According to;
- The sons of Manasseh were **Asriel**, whom his Syrian concubine bore. She bore Machir the father of Gilead. (**1 Chronicles 7:14**)
- **Asriel** was a son of Manasseh born to him by his Syrian concubine. However, part of an apparent parenthetical statement that follows reads. She bore Machir the father of Gilead. Hence, as is not uncommon in Biblical genealogies, **Asriel** may here be termed a son of Manasseh only in the sense of being one of his later descendants, through Machir, Manasseh's son by his Syrian concubine.
- But it is possible that Manasseh had both a direct son and a great-grandson bearing the same name. The sons of **Asriel** were among the descendants of Manasseh to whom Joshua made territorial allotments in the Promised Land.
- And the lot came to be for the tribe of Manasseh, because he was Joseph's firstborn, for Machir the firstborn of Manasseh, the father of Gilead, because he was one who proved to be a man of war, and Gilead and Bashan came to belong to him. (**Joshua 17:1**)
- And there came to be a lot for the sons of Manasseh who were left over according to their families, for the sons of Abi-ezer and

the sons of Helek and the sons of **Asriel** and the sons of Shechem and the sons of Hephher and the sons of Shemida. These were the sons of Manasseh the son of Joseph, the males according to their families. (**Joshua 17:2**)

- As for Zelophehad the son of Hephher, the son of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh, he proved to have, not sons, but daughters, and these were the names of his daughters, Mahlah and Noah, Hoglah, Milcah and Tirzah. (**Joshua 17:3**)
- So they presented themselves before Eleazar the priest and Joshua the son of Nun and the chieftains, saying; Yehowah it was who commanded Moses to give us an inheritance in the midst of our brothers. Accordingly he gave them, at the order of Yehowah, an inheritance in the midst of the brothers of their father. (**Joshua 17:4**)