~BAALIS (23) (Ba'a-lis)

- King of Ammon, who reportedly sent Ishmael to murder Governor Gedaliah of Judah in 607 B.C.E. The Greek Septuagint spells this name Belisa.
- And they proceeded to say to him; Do you not at all know that Baalis, the king of the sons of Ammon, himself has sent Ishmael the son of Nethaniah to strike you to the soul? But Gedaliah the son of Ahikam did not believe them. (Jeremiah 40:14)
- A seal impression bearing the name Ba`alyish`a was discovered in 1984 C.E, in the excavations at Tell el-`Umeiri in Jordan. This seal impression was dated paleographically to the latter part of the Seventh Century B.C.E.
- The inscription on it, written in ancient Ammonite characters, reads; Belonging to Milkom´or, Milkom´ur, servant of Ba`alyish`a. Ba`alyish`a is possibly the Baalis of the Bible.