~ELIASHIB 6 (61)

(E-li'a-shib) [My God Returns, Brings Back]

- Grandson of Jeshua, who returned with Zerubbabel from Babylonian exile. Eliashib was High Priest in the days of Nehemiah and shared with the other priests in rebuilding the Sheep Gate of the wall of Jerusalem.
- And these were the priests and the Levites that went up with Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel and Jeshua, Seraiah, Jeremiah, Ezra. (Nehemiah 12:1)
- Jeshua himself became father to Joiakim, and Joiakim himself became father to Eliashib, and Eliashib to Joiada. (Nehemiah 12:10)
- And Eliashib the High Priest and his brothers, the priests, proceeded to get up and build the Sheep Gate. They themselves sanctified it and went setting up its doors, and as far as the Tower of Meah they sanctified it, as far as the Tower of Hananel. (Nehemiah 3:1)
- During Nehemiah's absence Eliashib himself defiled the temple by making a dining hall in the courtyard of the temple for his relative Tobiah the Ammonite.
- But Nehemiah, upon his return, threw out Tobiah's furniture and had the dining halls cleansed. Nehemiah also chased away one of the sons of Joiada the son of Eliashib because of his being married to a daughter of Sanballat the Horonite.
- Now before this, Eliashib the priest in charge of a dining hall of the house of our God was a relative of Tobiah. (Nehemiah 13:4)
- And he proceeded to make for him a large dining hall, where previously they were regularly putting the grain offering, the frankincense and the utensils and the tenth of the grain, the new wine and the oil, to which the Levites and the singers and the gatekeepers are entitled, and the contribution for the priests. (Nehemiah 13:5)
- Then I came to Jerusalem and got to notice the badness that

Eliashib had committed for Tobiah by making for him a hall in the courtyard of the house of the true God. (Nehemiah 13:7)

- And it seemed very bad to me. So I threw all the furniture of Tobiah's house outside the dining hall. (Nehemiah 13:8)
- After that I said the word and they cleansed the dining halls, and I proceeded to put back there the utensils of the house of the true God, with the grain offering and the frankincense.

 (Nehemiah 13:9)
- And one of the sons of Joiada the son of Eliashib the High Priest was a son-in-law of Sanballat the Horonite. So I chased him away from me. (Nehemiah 13:28)