~EPHPHATHA (18) (eph'pha-tha)

- A Semitic expression meaning be opened. It was used by Jesus at the time he healed a deaf man with a speech impediment.
- Here they brought him a man deaf and with a speech impediment, and they entreated him to lay his hand upon him. (Mark 7:32)
- And he took him away from the crowd privately and put his fingers into the man's ears and, after spitting, he touched his tongue. (Mark 7:33)
- And with a look up into heaven he sighed deeply and said to him; Ephphatha, that is; Be opened. (Mark 7:34)