

~HAKKOZ (50)
(Hak'koz) [The Thorn]

- **An Aaronic priest and head of the paternal house that in David's time was constituted the 7th of the 24 priestly divisions.**
- **And David, and Zadok from the sons of Eleazar, and Ahimelech from the sons of Ithamar proceeded to make divisions of them for their office in their service. (1 Chronicles 24:3)**
- **But the sons of Eleazar were found to be more numerous in headmen than the sons of Ithamar. So they distributed them to the sons of Eleazar, as heads for their paternal houses, sixteen, and to the sons of Ithamar, as heads for their paternal houses, eight. (1 Chronicles 24:4)**
- **Further, they distributed them by lots, these along with those, for there had to be chiefs of the holy place and chiefs of the true God from the sons of Eleazar and from the sons of Ithamar. (1 Chronicles 24:5)**
- **Then Shemaiah the son of Nethanel the secretary of the Levites wrote them down before the king and the princes and Zadok the priest and Ahimelech the son of Abiathar and the heads of the fathers of the priests and of the Levites, one paternal house being picked out for Eleazar and one being picked out for Ithamar. (1 Chronicles 24:6)**
- **And the lot proceeded to come out; the first for Jehoiarib, for Jedaiah the second. (1 Chronicles 24:7)**
- **For Hakkoz the seventh, for Abijah the eighth. (1 Chronicles 24:10)**
- **After returning from Babylon in 537 B.C.E, sons of Hakkoz were among those who were disqualified from the priesthood because of being unable to establish their genealogy. They were among those forbidden to eat from the most holy things until a priest stood up with Urim and Thummim.**
- **And of the sons of the priests, the sons of Habaiah, the sons of**

Hakkoz, the sons of Barzillai, who took a wife from the daughters of Barzillai the Gileadite and came to be called by their name. (**Ezra 2:61**)

- These were the ones that looked for their register to establish their genealogy publicly, and they did not find themselves, so that they were barred as polluted from the priesthood. (**Ezra 2:62**)
- Consequently the Tirshatha said to them that they could not eat from the most holy things until a priest stood up with Urim and Thummim. (**Ezra 2:63**)
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- These were the ones that looked for their register, to establish their genealogy publicly, and it was not found, so that they were barred as polluted from the priesthood. (**Nehemiah 7:64**)
- Consequently the Tirshatha said to them that they should not eat from the most holy things until the priest with Urim and Thummim stood up. (**Nehemiah 7:65**)
- A descendant of **Hakkoz** is specifically referred to as sharing in rebuilding the walls of Jerusalem.
- After him Meremoth the son of Urijah the son of **Hakkoz** repaired another measured section, from the entrance of the house of Eliashib as far as the end of Eliashib's house. (**Nehemiah 3:21**)