## ~HEGAI (35) (Heg'a-i)

- A eunuch of King Ahasuerus court, the guardian of the women who prepared Esther with special beauty treatments before she was taken to the king.
- And let the king appoint commissioners in all the jurisdictional districts of his realm, and let them collect together all the young women, virgins, beautiful in appearance, at Shushan the castle, at the house of the women in charge of Hegai the kings eunuch, the guardian of the women, and let there be a giving of their massages. (Esther 2:3)
- And it came about that, when the kings word and his Law were heard, and when many young women were collected together at Shushan the castle in charge of Hegai, then Esther was taken to the king's house in charge of Hegai the guardian of the women. (Esther 2:8)
- Now the young woman was pleasing in his eyes, so that she gained loving-kindness before him and he made haste to give her, her massages and her appropriate food, and to give her seven selected young women from the king's house, and he proceeded to transfer her and her young women to the best place of the house of the women. (Esther 2:9)
- And when the turn of Esther the daughter of Abihail the uncle of Mordecai, whom he had taken as his daughter, arrived to come in to the king, she did not request anything except what Hegai the kings eunuch, the guardian of the women, proceeded to mention, all the while Esther was continually gaining favor in the eyes of everyone seeing her. (Esther 2:15)