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(He'li) [from Hebrew, meaning High, Exalted]

- Evidently the father of Mary and maternal grandfather of Jesus Christ.
- Furthermore, Jesus himself, when he commenced his work, was about thirty years old, being the son, as the opinion was, of Joseph, son of Heli. (Luke 3:23)
- Joseph's being called the son of Heli is understood to mean that he was the son-in-law of Heli. While not listing her, Luke evidently traces the natural descent of Jesus mother Mary from David.
- Son of Melea, son of Menna, son of Mattatha, son of Nathan, son of David. (Luke 3:31)

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