

## **~HEPHER 1 (98)**

**(He'pher)[1-3, He Has Searched Out]**

- **A son of Gilead and great-grandson of Manasseh, ancestor of the Hephherites.**
- **The sons of Manasseh were. Of Machir the family of the Machirites. And Machir became father to Gilead. Of Gilead the family of the Gileadites. (Numbers 26:29)**
- **These were the sons of Gilead. Of Iezer the family of the Iezerites, of Helek the family of the Helekites. (Numbers 26:30)**
- **Of Shemida the family of the Shemidaites. Of Hephher the family of the Hephherites.**
- **Of Shemida the family of the Shemidaites. Of Hephher the family of the Hephherites. (Numbers 26:32)**
- **Then the daughters of Zelophehad the son of Hephher the son of Gilead the son of Machir the son of Manasseh, of the families of Manasseh the son of Joseph, came near. And these were the names of his daughters, Mahlah, Noah and Hoglah and Milcah and Tirzah. (Numbers 27:1)**
- **Hephher was the father of Zelophehad, known for having no sons but five daughters whose case set a legal precedent in handling hereditary possessions when there was no male offspring.**
- **Now Zelophehad the son of Hephher proved to have no sons, but daughters, and the names of the daughters of Zelophehad were Mahlah and Noah, Hoglah, Milcah and Tirzah. (Numbers 26:33)**
- **Then the daughters of Zelophehad the son of Hephher the son of Gilead the son of Machir the son of Manasseh, of the families of Manasseh the son of Joseph, came near. And these were the names of his daughters, Mahlah, Noah and Hoglah and Milcah and Tirzah. (Numbers 27:1)**
- **And they proceeded to stand before Moses and before Eleazar the priest and before the chieftains and all the assembly at the entrance of the tent of meeting, saying; (Numbers 27:2)**

- Our father has died in the wilderness, and yet he did not prove to be in among the assembly, that is, those who ranged themselves against Yehowah in the assembly of Korah, but for his own sin he has died, and he did not get to have any sons. (**Numbers 27:3**)
- Why should the name of our father be taken away from the midst of his family because he had no son? O give us a possession in the midst of our father's brothers. (**Numbers 27:4**)
- At that Moses presented their case before Yehowah. (**Numbers 27:5**)
- Yehowah then said this to Moses. (**Numbers 27:6**)
- The daughters of Zelophehad are speaking right. By all means you should give them the possession of an inheritance in the midst of their father's brothers, and you must cause their fathers inheritance to pass to them. (**Numbers 27:7**)
- And to the sons of Israel you should speak, saying; In case any man should die without his having a son, you must then cause his inheritance to pass to his daughter. (**Numbers 27:8**)
- And if he has no daughter, you must then give his inheritance to his brothers. (**Numbers 27:9**)
- And if he has no brothers, you must then give his inheritance to his father's brothers. (**Numbers 27:10**)
- And if his father has no brothers, you must then give his inheritance to his blood relation who is closest to him of his family, and he must take possession of it. And it must serve as a statute by judicial decision for the sons of Israel, just as Yehowah has commanded Moses. (**Numbers 27:11**)
- And there came to be a lot for the sons of Manasseh who were left over according to their families, for the sons of Abi-ezer and the sons of Helek and the sons of Asriel and the sons of Shechem and the sons of **Hepher** and the sons of Shemida. These were the sons of Manasseh the son of Joseph, the males according to their families. (**Joshua 17:2**)
- As for Zelophehad the son of **Hepher**, the son of Gilead, the son

of Machir, the son of Manasseh, he proved to have, not sons, but daughters, and these were the names of his daughters, Mahlah and Noah, Hoglah, Milcah and Tirzah. (**Joshua 17:3**)