## ~HOLDER (83)

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- Nadab and Abihu, Aaron's sons offer up fire and incense before Yehowah God with their fire holders.
- Later on Aaron's sons Nadab and Abihu took up and brought each one his fire holder and put fire in them and placed incense upon it, and they began offering before Yehowah illegitimate fire, which he had not prescribed for them. (Leviticus 10:1)
- And take each one his fire holder, and you men must put incense upon them and present each one his fire holder before Yehowah, two hundred and fifty fire holders, and you and Aaron each his fire holder. (Numbers 16:17)
- So they took each one his fire holder and put fire upon them and placed incense upon them and stood at the entrance of the tent of meeting together with Moses and Aaron. (Numbers 16:18)
- After that Moses said to Aaron; Take the fire holder and put fire from upon the altar in it and put on incense and go to the assembly in a hurry and make atonement for them, because the indignation has gone out from the face of Yehowah. The plague has started! (Numbers 16:46)
- The priest was to take the fire holder full of burning coals and take a handful of incense bringing it inside of the curtain.
- And he must take the fire holder full of burning coals of fire from off the altar before Yehowah, and the hollows of both his hands full of fine perfumed incense, and he must bring them inside the curtain. (Leviticus 16:12)
- Yehowah God then promised to break the bar of Damascus, and cut of any inhabitant from Bikath-aven, and the holder of the scepter, the king, from Beth-eden. Then the peoples of Syria would have to go off as exiles to Kir.
- Bikath-aven was a place or valley plain associated with Damascus and Beth-eden in Yehowah's prophecy through Amos foretelling the exile of the people of Syria.

- In the absence of any record of a Syrian city or town by that name, some scholars connect Bikath-aven with the Beqa` Valley between the Lebanon and the Anti-Lebanon mountains. The predicted cutting-off of the inhabitants of Bikath-aven evidently came about as a result of Assyrian King Tiglath-pileser III's conquest of Syria.
- And I will break the bar of Damascus and cut off the inhabitant from Bikath-aven, and the holder of the scepter from Beth-eden, and the people of Syria will have to go as exiles to Kir, Yehowah has said. (Amos 1:5)
- Yehowah then shows, that he will also turn his hand against a number of the Philistine cities, Ashdod, and the holder of the scepter, kingly residence of Ashkelon, and Ekron, and as a result, the remaining ones among the Philistines within the Promised Land must perish.
- Ashdod was one of the five principal cities of the Philistines under their axis lords, and evidently the religious center of Philistia with its worship of the false god Dagon. The other cities were Gath, Gaza, Ashkelon, and Ekron.
- Amos, made prediction of defeat for the ruler of Ashkelon. Secular history shows that in the succeeding century Tiglath-pileser III of Assyria made Ashkelon, a vassal city.
- And I will cut off the inhabitant from Ashdod, and the holder of the scepter from Ashkelon, and I will turn my hand back upon Ekron, and the remaining ones of the Philistines must perish, the Sovereign Lord Yehowah has said. (Amos 1:8)