

~HOPHNI (86)

(Hoph'ni) [from Egyptian, meaning Tadpole]

- **One of High Priest Elis sons. **Hophni** and his brother Phinehas were good-for-nothing men, guilty of sacrilegious conduct and gross immorality.**
- **And that man went up out of his city from year to year to prostrate himself and to sacrifice to Yehowah of armies in Shiloh. And there is where the two sons of Eli, **Hophni** and Phinehas, were priests to Yehowah. (1 Samuel 1:3)**
- **Now the sons of Eli were good-for-nothing men, they did not acknowledge Yehowah. (1 Samuel 2:12)**
- **As for the due right of the priests from the people, whenever any man was offering a sacrifice, an attendant of the priest came with the three-pronged fork in his hand, just when the meat was boiling. (1 Samuel 2:13)**
- **And made a thrust into the basin or the two-handled cooking pot or the caldron or the one-handled cooking pot. Anything that the fork might bring up the priest would take for himself. That is the way they would do in Shiloh to all the Israelites coming there. (1 Samuel 2:14)**
- **Also, before ever they could make the fat smoke, an attendant of the priest came and said to the man sacrificing; Do give meat to roast for the priest so that he may receive from you, not boiled meat, but raw. (1 Samuel 2:15)**
- **When the man would say to him; Let them be sure to make the fat smoke first of all. Then take for yourself just whatever your soul may crave, he actually said; No, but you should give it now, and, if not, I shall have to take it by force! (1 Samuel 2:16)**
- **And the sin of the attendants came to be very great before Yehowah, for the men treated the offering of Yehowah with disrespect. (1 Samuel 2:17)**
- **And Eli was very old, and he had heard of all that his sons kept doing to all Israel and how they would lie down with the women**

that were serving at the entrance of the tent of meeting. (**1 Samuel 2:22**)

- And he used to say to them; Why do you keep doing things like these? For the things I am hearing about you from all the people are bad. (**1 Samuel 2:23**)
- No, my sons, because the report is not good that I am hearing, that the people of Yehowah are causing to circulate. (**1 Samuel 2:24**)
- If a man should sin against a man, God will arbitrate for him, but if it is against Yehowah that a man should sin, who is there to pray for him? But they would not listen to the voice of their father, because Yehowah was now pleased to put them to death. (**1 Samuel 2:25**)
- Because of unfaithfulness while serving as priest at Yehowah's sanctuary, Yehowah judged **Hophni** worthy of death, which befell him at the time the Philistines captured the sacred Ark.
- And this is the sign for you that will come to your two sons, **Hophni** and Phinehas; On one day both of them will die. (**1 Samuel 2:34**)
- So the people sent to Shiloh and carried from there the ark of the covenant of Yehowah of armies, who is sitting upon the cherubs. And the two sons of Eli were there with the ark of the covenant of the true God, namely, **Hophni** and Phinehas. (**1 Samuel 4:4**)
- And the ark of God itself was captured, and the two sons of Eli, **Hophni** and Phinehas, died. (**1 Samuel 4:11**)
- So the news bearer answered and said; Israel has fled before the Philistines, and there has also occurred a great defeat among the people, and also your own two sons have died, **Hophni** and Phinehas, and the very ark of the true God has been captured. (**1 Samuel 4:17**)

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