~ITHAMAR (239)

(Ith'a-mar) [possibly, Father or, Brother of the Palm Tree]

- The fourth listed of Aaron's sons.
- Now Aaron took Elisheba, Amminadab's daughter, the sister of Nahshon, as his wife. Later she bore him Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar. (Exodus 6:23)
- Then there were born to Aaron Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar.
- Of Hezron the family of the Hezronites. Of Carmi the family of the Carmites. (Numbers 26:6)
- And the sons of Amram were Aaron and Moses, and there was Miriam. And the sons of Aaron were Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar. (1 Chronicles 6:3)
- After having supervised the inventory of tabernacle materials, Ithamar, with his father and brothers, was installed as a priest in the ceremony detailed at. (Exodus Chapter 29).
- And as for you, bring near to yourself Aaron your brother and his sons with him from the midst of the sons of Israel that he may act as priest to me, Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar, the sons of Aaron. (Exodus 28:1)
- The following are the things inventoried of the tabernacle, the tabernacle of the Testimony, which was inventoried at the command of Moses, as the service of the Levites under the guidance of Ithamar the son of Aaron the priest. (Exodus 38:21)
- Then you must bring Aaron and his sons near to the entrance of the tent of meeting and wash them with water. (Exodus 40:12)
- And you must clothe Aaron with the holy garments and anoint him and sanctify him, and so he must act as priest to me. (Exodus 40:13)
- After that you will bring his sons near and you must clothe them with robes. (Exodus 40:14)

- And you must anoint them just as you anointed their father, and so they must act as priests to me, and their anointing must serve continually for them as a priesthood to time indefinite during their generations. (Exodus 40:15)
- When his two older brothers, Nadab and Abihu, were later executed for offering illegitimate fire, Ithamar and his third brother Eleazar were told not to mourn for them. Later, Ithamar and Eleazar received a greater portion of priestly duties as Yehowah progressively outlined these.
- 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)
- At this a fire came out from before Yehowah and consumed them, so that they died before Yehowah. (Leviticus 10:2)
- Then Moses said to Aaron; This is what Yehowah has spoken, saying; Among those near to me let me be sanctified, and before the face of all the people let me be glorified. And Aaron kept silent. (Leviticus 10:3)
- So Moses called Mishael and Elzaphan, the sons of Uzziel, Aaron's uncle, and said to them; Come near, carry your brothers from in front of the holy place to outside the camp. (Leviticus 10:4)
- They accordingly came near and carried them in their robes to outside the camp, just as Moses had spoken. (Leviticus 10:5)
- Subsequently Moses said to Aaron and to Eleazar and Ithamar his other sons; Do not let your heads go un-groomed, and you must not tear your garments, that you may not die and that he may not become indignant against all the assembly, but your brothers of the whole house of Israel will do the weeping over the burning, which Yehowah has made burn. (Leviticus 10:6)
- And from the entrance of the tent of meeting you must not go out for fear you may die, because Yehowah's anointing oil is upon you. So they did according to Moses word. (Leviticus 10:7)
- And Yehowah proceeded to speak to Aaron, saying; (Leviticus

10:8)

- Do not drink wine or intoxicating liquor, you and your sons with you, when you come into the tent of meeting, that you may not die. It is a statute to time indefinite for your generations. (Leviticus 10:9)
- Both in order to make a distinction between the holy thing and the profane and between the unclean thing and the clean. (Leviticus 10:10)
- And in order to teach the sons of Israel all the regulations that Yehowah has spoken to them by means of Moses. (Leviticus 10:11)
- Then Moses spoke to Aaron and to Eleazar and Ithamar, his sons that were left. Take the grain offering that was left over from Yehowah's offerings made by fire and eat it unfermented near the altar, because it is something most holy. (Leviticus 10:12)
- And you must eat it in a holy place, because it is your allowance and the allowance of your sons from Yehowah's offerings made by fire, for so I have been commanded. (Leviticus 10:13)
- And you will eat the breast of the wave offering and the leg of the sacred portion in a clean place, you and your sons and your daughters with you, because they have been given as your allowance and the allowance of your sons from the communion sacrifices of the sons of Israel. (Leviticus 10:14)
- They will bring the leg of the sacred portion and the breast of the wave offering along with the offerings made by fire, of the fatty pieces, in order to wave the wave offering to and fro before Yehowah, and it must serve as an allowance to time indefinite for you and your sons with you, just as Yehowah has commanded. (Leviticus 10:15)
- And Moses searched thoroughly for the goat of the sin offering, and, look! It had been burned up. So he grew indignant at Eleazar and Ithamar, Aaron's sons that were left, saying; (Leviticus 10:16)
- Why did you not eat the sin offering in the place that is holy, since it is something most holy and he has given it to you that

- you may answer for the error of the assembly so as to make atonement for them before Yehowah? (Leviticus 10:17)
- Look! Its blood has not been brought into the holy place within. You should have eaten it without fail in the holy place, just as I had been commanded. (Leviticus 10:18)
- At this Aaron spoke to Moses; Look! Today they have presented their sin offering and their burnt offering before Yehowah, while such things as these began to befall me, and had I eaten the sin offering today, would it prove satisfactory in Yehowah's eyes? (Leviticus 10:19)
- When Moses got to hear that, then it proved satisfactory in his eyes. (Leviticus 10:20)
- Ithamar was made overseer of the various tabernacle services performed by the Gershonites and Merarites.
- And these were the names of Aaron's sons, the firstborn Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar. (Numbers 3:2)
- These were the names of Aaron's sons, the anointed priests whose hands had been filled with power to act as priests. (Numbers 3:3)
- However, Nadab and Abihu died before Yehowah when they offered illegitimate fire before Yehowah in the wilderness of Sinai, and they did not come to have any sons. But Eleazar and Ithamar continued to act as priests along with Aaron their father. (Numbers 3:4)
- This is the service of the families of the sons of the Gershonites in the tent of meeting, and their obligatory service is under the hand of Ithamar the son of Aaron the priest. (Numbers 4:28)
- This is the service of the families of the sons of Merari according to all their service in the tent of meeting, under the hand of **Ithamar** the son of Aaron the priest. (Numbers 4:33)
- And four wagons and eight cattle he gave to the sons of Merari in proportion to their service, under the hand of Ithamar the son of Aaron the priest. (Numbers 7:8)

- Ithamar's descendants continued as priests, and during the reigns of Saul, David, and Solomon, members of the house of Ithamar's descendant Eli temporarily officiated as High Priest.
- When David organized the temple service, 8 of the 24 priestly divisions were of the house of Ithamar.
- Now the sons of Aaron had their divisions. The sons of Aaron were Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar. (1 Chronicles 24:1)
- However, Nadab and Abihu died before their father, and they did not happen to have any sons, but Eleazar and Ithamar continued to act as priests. (1 Chronicles 24:2)
- And David, and Zadok from the sons of Eleazar, and Ahimelech from the sons of Ithamar proceeded to make divisions of them for their office in their service. (1 Chronicles 24:3)
- But the sons of Eleazar were found to be more numerous in headmen than the sons of Ithamar. So they distributed them to the sons of Eleazar, as heads for their paternal houses, sixteen, and to the sons of Ithamar, as heads for their paternal houses, eight. (1 Chronicles 24:4)
- Further, they distributed them by lots, these along with those, for there had to be chiefs of the holy place and chiefs of the true God from the sons of Eleazar and from the sons of Ithamar. (1 Chronicles 24:5)
- Then Shemaiah the son of Nethanel the secretary of the Levites wrote them down before the king and the princes and Zadok the priest and Ahimelech the son of Abiathar and the heads of the fathers of the priests and of the Levites, one paternal house being picked out for Eleazar and one being picked out for Ithamar. (1 Chronicles 24:6)
- And Ahijah the son of Ahitub, the brother of Ichabod, the son of Phinehas, the son of Eli, the priest of Yehowah in Shiloh, was carrying the ephod. And the people themselves did not know that Jonathan had gone. (1 Samuel 14:3)
- At this Doeg the Edomite, being stationed as he was over the servants of Saul, answered and said; I saw the son of Jesse come to Nob to Ahimelech the son of Ahitub. (1 Samuel 22:9)

- Sons of Ithamar were also enrolled among the paternal houses of Israel after the Babylonian exile.
- Of the sons of Phinehas, Gershom. Of the sons of Ithamar, Daniel. Of the sons of David, Hattush. (Ezra 8:2)

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