

## ~JAAZANIAH 4 (138)

(Ja-az-a-ni'ah) [Yehowah Has Given Ear]

- A military chief of Judah in the brief period immediately following the destruction of Jerusalem by the Babylonians. **Jaazaniah**, **Jezaniah**, as his name was sometimes spelled, was one of several who readily supported the appointment of Governor Gedaliah.
- When all the chiefs of the military forces, they and their men, heard that the king of Babylon had appointed Gedaliah, they immediately came to Gedaliah at Mizpah, that is, Ishmael the son of Nethaniah and Johanan the son of Kareah and Seraiah the son of Tanhumeth the Netophathite and **Jaazaniah** the son of the Maacathite, they and their men. (2 Kings 25:23)
- In time all the chiefs of the military forces who were in the field, they and their men, got to hear that the king of Babylon had commissioned Gedaliah the son of Ahikam over the land and that he had commissioned him over the men and women and little children and some of the lowly people of the land, who had not been taken into exile in Babylon. (Jeremiah 40:7)
- So they came to Gedaliah at Mizpah, even Ishmael the son of Nethaniah and Johanan and Jonathan, the sons of Kareah, and Seraiah the son of Tanhumeth and the sons of Ephai the Netophathite and **Jezaniah** the son of the Maacathite, they and their men. (Jeremiah 40:8)
- He was presumably included when, all the chiefs of the military forces warned Gedaliah of Ishmael's threat on his life and, after Ishmael did assassinate Gedaliah, pursued Ishmael and recovered those he had taken prisoner.
- As for Johanan the son of Kareah and all the chiefs of the military forces who were in the field, they came to Gedaliah at Mizpah. (Jeremiah 40:13)
- And they proceeded to say to him; Do you not at all know that Baalis, the king of the sons of Ammon, himself has sent Ishmael the son of Nethaniah to strike you to the soul? But Gedaliah the son of Ahikam did not believe them. (Jeremiah 40:14)

- In time Johanan the son of Kareah and all the chiefs of the military forces who were with him got to hear all the bad that Ishmael the son of Nethaniah had done. (**Jeremiah 41:11**)
- Consequently they took all the men and went off to fight against Ishmael the son of Nethaniah and found him by the abundant waters that were in Gibeon. (**Jeremiah 41:12**)
- Then it came about that as soon as all the people that were with Ishmael saw Johanan the son of Kareah and all the chiefs of the military forces who were with him, they began to rejoice. (**Jeremiah 41:13**)
- And all the people whom Ishmael had led captive from Mizpah proceeded to turn around and return and go to Johanan the son of Kareah. (**Jeremiah 41:14**)
- And as for Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, he escaped with eight men from before Johanan, that he might go to the sons of Ammon. (**Jeremiah 41:15**)
- Johanan the son of Kareah and all the chiefs of the military forces who were with him now took all the remnant of the people whom they brought back from Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, from Mizpah, after he had struck down Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, able-bodied men, men of war, and the wives and the little children and the court officials, whom he brought back from Gibeon. (**Jeremiah 41:16**)
- Jezaniah was among those leaders who inquired of Jeremiah concerning what to do then, but rather than follow his advice, they led the few remaining ones down to Egypt.
- After that all the people, from small to great, and the chiefs of the military forces rose up and came into Egypt, for they had become afraid because of the Chaldeans. (**2 Kings 25:26**)
- Then all the chiefs of the military forces and Johanan the son of Kareah and **Jezaniah** the son of Hoshaiah and all the people, from the smallest one even to the greatest one, approached. (**Jeremiah 42:1**)
- And said to Jeremiah the prophet; May our request for favor, please, fall before you, and do you pray in our behalf to Yehowah

your God, in behalf of all this remnant, for we have been left remaining, a few out of many, just as your eyes are seeing us. **(Jeremiah 42:2)**

- And may Yehowah your God tell us the way in which we should walk and the thing that we should do. **(Jeremiah 42:3)**
- So he called for Johanan the son of Kareah and for all the chiefs of the military forces who were with him and for all the people, from the smallest one even to the greatest one. **(Jeremiah 42:8)**
- Now it came about that as soon as Jeremiah finished speaking to all the people all the words of Yehowah their God with which Yehowah their God had sent him to them, even all these words. **(Jeremiah 43:1)**
- Azariah the son of Hoshai and Johanan the son of Kareah and all the presumptuous men proceeded to say to Jeremiah; It is a falsehood that you are speaking. Yehowah our God has not sent you, saying; Do not enter into Egypt to reside there as aliens. **(Jeremiah 43:2)**
- But Baruch the son of Neriah is instigating you against us for the purpose of giving us into the hand of the Chaldeans, to put us to death or to take us into exile in Babylon. **(Jeremiah 43:3)**
- And Johanan the son of Kareah and all the chiefs of the military forces and all the people did not obey the voice of Yehowah, to keep on dwelling in the land of Judah. **(Jeremiah 43:4)**
- So Johanan the son of Kareah and all the chiefs of the military forces took all the remnant of Judah that had returned from all the nations to which they had been dispersed, in order to reside for a while in the land of Judah. **(Jeremiah 43:5)**
- **Azariah** the son of Hoshai is possibly a brother of, but more likely the same as, **Jaazaniah**.
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