

## ~JADE (65)

[Hebrew, *ya-shepneh'* ]

- **A hard, durable, usually green-colored ornamental stone** used for jewelry and carvings, in Hebrew, *ya-shepneh'*. It occurs as two distinct minerals, nephrite and jadeite. Nephrite, true jade, is the most common variety.

- It varies from translucent to opaque and is found in colors such as **dark green, black, gray, yellow, and white**. Jadeite is more valuable than nephrite because of its more attractive coloring and rarity. Jade is particularly suitable for engraving because of its composition.

- A beautiful jade stone with the name of one of Israel's 12 tribes engraved upon it adorned the breastpiece of judgment worn by High Priest Aaron, occupying the third position in the fourth row of stones.

- And you must make holy garments for Aaron your brother, for glory and beauty. (**Exodus 28:2**)

- And you must make the breastpiece of judgment with the workmanship of an embroiderer. Like the workmanship of the ephod you will make it. Of gold, blue thread and wool dyed reddish purple and coccus scarlet material and fine twisted linen you will make it. (**Exodus 28:15**)

- And the fourth row is chrysolite and onyx and **jade**. Sockets of gold should be in their fillings. (**Exodus 28:20**)

- And the stones should be according to the names of the sons of Israel, the twelve according to their names. With the engravings of a seal they should be, each one according to its name, for the twelve tribes. (**Exodus 28:21**)

- It proved to be foursquare when doubled. They made the breastpiece, when doubled, a span of the hand in its length and a span in its width. (**Exodus 39:9**)

- And the fourth row was chrysolite and onyx and **jade**. They were set with settings of gold in their fillings. (**Exodus 39:13**)

- And the stones were according to the names of the sons of Israel.

They were twelve according to their names, with the engravings of a seal, each according to its name for the twelve tribes.  
(Exodus 39:14)

- **Jade** was also included among the precious stones that decorated the **covering** of the king of Tyre.
- Son of man, lift up a dirge concerning the king of Tyre, and you must say to him, This is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah has said; You are sealing up a pattern, full of wisdom and perfect in beauty. (Ezekiel 28:12)
- In Eden, the garden of God, you proved to be. Every precious stone was your covering, ruby, topaz and jasper, chrysolite, onyx and **jade**, sapphire, turquoise and emerald, and of gold was the workmanship of your settings and your sockets in you. In the day of your being created they were made ready. (Ezekiel 28:13)