~JAHZEIAH (45)

(Jah-zei'ah) [May Yah Behold, Yah Has Beheld]

- One who perhaps opposed Ezra's proposal that the sons of Israel send away their foreign wives and the children born to them, son of Tikvah.
- And now let us conclude a covenant with our God to put away all the wives and those born from them according to the counsel of Yehowah and of those trembling at the commandment of our God, that it may be done according to the Law. (Ezra 10:3)
- At length Ezra the priest rose and said to them; You yourselves have acted unfaithfully in that you gave a dwelling to foreign wives so as to add to the guiltiness of Israel. (Ezra 10:10)
- And now make confession to Yehowah the God of your forefathers and do his pleasure and separate yourselves from the peoples of the land and from the foreign wives. (Ezra 10:11)
- However, Jonathan the son of Asahel and Jahzeiah the son of Tikvah themselves stood up against this, and Meshullam and Shabbethai the Levites were the ones that helped them. (Ezra 10:15)
- However, it has been suggested that this opposition of Yahzeiah and Jonathan was not against Ezra's suggestion but against the procedure adopted for carrying it out.
- According to the Greek Septuagint and Latin Vulgate, Jahzeiah and the others assisted rather than opposed Ezra. Hence, an alternate rendering of
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- Says that Jonathan and Jahzeiah, were the ones that acted representatively in this behalf. NW Footnote, see also KJ, AS, Footnote, Dy, Kx