## ~JAMES 3 (50)

[English equivalent of Jacob, meaning, One Seizing the Heel, Supplanter]

- Another apostle of Jesus Christ and son of Alphaeus.
- The names of the twelve apostles are these; First, Simon, the one called Peter, and Andrew his brother, and James the son of Zebedee and John his brother. (Matthew 10:2)
- Philip and Bartholomew, Thomas and Matthew the tax collector;

  James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus. (Matthew 10:3)
- And Andrew and Philip and Bartholomew and Matthew and Thomas and James the son of Alphaeus and Thaddaeus and Simon the Cananaean. (Mark 3:18)
- And Matthew and Thomas, and James the son of Alphaeus, and Simon who is called, the zealous one. (Luke 6:15)
- So, when they had entered, they went up into the upper chamber, where they were staying, Peter as well as John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the zealous one, and Judas the son of James. (Acts of Apostles 1:13)
- It is generally believed and quite probable that Alphaeus was the same person as Clopas, in which event James mother was Mary, the same Mary that was the mother of James the Less and of Joses.
- By the torture stake of Jesus, however, there were standing his mother and the sister of his mother, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. (John 19:25)
- There were also women viewing from a distance, among them Mary Magdalene as well as Mary the mother of James the Less and of Joses, and Salome. (Mark 15:40)
- Among whom was Mary Magdalene, also Mary the mother of James and Joses, and the mother of the sons of Zebedee. (Matthew 27:56)

He may have been called **James** the Less because of being either smaller in physical stature or younger in age than the other apostle **James**, the son of **Zebedee**.