

~JEHIEL 4 (42)

(Je-hi'el) [May He Live, O God!]

- A son of King Jehoshaphat. **Jehiel** and his brothers had received gifts of riches and cities from their father, but the kingship was to go to their eldest brother Jehoram. However, after Jehoshaphat died, all these brothers were slain by Jehoram.
- Finally Jehoshaphat lay down with his forefathers and was buried with his forefathers in the City of David, and Jehoram his son began to reign in place of him. (2 Chronicles 21:1)
- And he had brothers, Jehoshaphat's sons, Azariah and **Jehiel** and Zechariah and Azariah and Michael and Shephatiah, all these being the sons of Jehoshaphat the king of Israel. (2 Chronicles 21:2)
- Consequently their father gave them many gifts in silver and in gold and in choice things along with fortified cities in Judah, but the kingdom he gave to Jehoram, for he was the firstborn. (2 Chronicles 21:3)
- When Jehoram rose up over the kingdom of his father he proceeded to make his position strong, and so he killed all his brothers with the sword and also some of the princes of Israel. (2 Chronicles 21:4)
- Eventually there came a writing to him from Elijah the prophet, saying; This is what Yehowah the God of David your forefather has said; Due to the fact that you have not walked in the ways of Jehoshaphat your father or in the ways of Asa the king of Judah. (2 Chronicles 21:12)
- But you walk in the way of the kings of Israel and cause Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem to have immoral intercourse the same way that the house of Ahab caused the having of immoral intercourse, and even your own brothers, the household of your father, who were better than you, you have killed. (2 Chronicles 21:13)