

~JEHOAHAZ 3 (89)

(Je-ho'a-haz) [May Yehowah Take Hold, Yehowah Has Taken Hold]

- Son and successor of Josiah as king of Judah. His mother's name was Hamutal.
- And the king kept standing by the pillar and now concluded the covenant before Yehowah, to walk after Yehowah and to keep his commandments and his testimonies and his statutes with all the heart and with all the soul by carrying out the words of this covenant that were written in this book. Accordingly all the people took their stand in the covenant. (2 Kings 23:3)
- Ezra and Jeremiah, according to certain manuscripts, call him Shallum, which some suggest may have been his name prior to his accession to the throne.
- And the sons of Josiah were the firstborn Johanan, the second, Jehoiakim, the third, Zedekiah, the fourth, Shallum. (1 Chronicles 3:15)
- For this is what Yehowah has said concerning Shallum the son of Josiah, the king of Judah who is reigning instead of Josiah his father, who has gone forth from this place, He will return there no more. (Jeremiah 22:11)
- After the death of his father at the hands of Pharaoh Nechoh of Egypt, Jehoahaz, though not the oldest of Josiah's living sons, was apparently the people's choice as successor to the throne.
- In his days Pharaoh Nechoh the king of Egypt came up to the king of Assyria by the river Euphrates, and King Josiah proceeded to go to meet him, but he put him to death at Megiddo as soon as he saw him. (2 Kings 23:29)
- So his servants conveyed him dead in a chariot from Megiddo and brought him to Jerusalem and buried him in his grave. Then the people of the land took Jehoahaz the son of Josiah and anointed him and made him king in place of his father. (2 Kings 23:30)
- Twenty-three years old was Jehoahaz when he began to reign, and for three months he reigned in Jerusalem. (2 Chronicles

36:2)

- Where this same event is mentioned, certain translations, **AS, AT, JP, Ro**, have the shortened form **Joahaz** for **Jehoahaz**.

See Also JOAHAZ 3

- **Jehoahaz** was 23 years old when made king, and he ruled badly for three months in the early part of the year **628 B.C.E**, until he was imprisoned at Riblah by Pharaoh. Later he was taken to Egypt, where he died in captivity, just as the prophet Jeremiah had foretold.
- Twenty-three years old was **Jehoahaz** when he began to reign, and for three months he reigned in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Hamutal the daughter of Jeremiah from Libnah. (**2 Kings 23:31**)
- And he began to do what was bad in Yehowah's eyes, according to all that forefathers of his had done. (**2 Kings 23:32**)
- And Pharaoh Nechoh got to put him in bonds at Riblah in the land of Hamath, to keep him from reigning in Jerusalem, and then imposed a fine upon the land of a hundred silver talents and a gold talent. (**2 Kings 23:33**)
- Furthermore, Pharaoh Nechoh made Eliakim the son of Josiah king in place of Josiah his father and changed his name to Jehoiakim, and **Jehoahaz** he took and then brought to Egypt, where he eventually died. (**2 Kings 23:34**)
- Do not weep for the dead one, and do not sympathize with him, you people. Weep profusely for the one going away, for he will return no more and he will actually not see the land of his relatives. (**Jeremiah 22:10**)
- For this is what Yehowah has said concerning Shallum the son of Josiah, the king of Judah who is reigning instead of Josiah his father, who has gone forth from this place, He will return there no more. (**Jeremiah 22:11**)
- For in the place where they have taken him into exile he will die, and this land he will see no more. (**Jeremiah 22:12**)