

~JOAH 3 (59)

(Jo'ah) [Yehowah Is Brother or Companion]

- One of the committee of three sent by King Hezekiah to hear what the Assyrian messenger Rabshakeh would say but who were not to answer his charges and brags.
- **Joah** and his two companions did, however, ask Rabshakeh to speak to them in the Syrian tongue, which they themselves understood, rather than in the Jews language in the hearing of others on the city wall. With their clothes ripped apart, they reported his threats to Hezekiah.
- And they began to call out to the king, but there came out to them Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, who was over the household, and Shebnah the secretary and **Joah** the son of Asaph the recorder. (2 Kings 18:18)
- At this Eliakim the son of Hilkiah and Shebnah and **Joah** said to Rabshakeh; Speak with your servants, please, in the Syrian language, for we can listen, and do not speak with us in the Jews language in the ears of the people that are on the wall. (2 Kings 18:26)
- And the people kept silent and did not answer him a word, for the commandment of the king was, saying; You must not answer him. (2 Kings 18:36)
- But Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, who was over the household, and Shebnah the secretary and **Joah** the son of Asaph the recorder came to Hezekiah with their garments ripped apart and told him the words of Rabshakeh. (2 Kings 18:37)
- Then there came out to him Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, who was over the household, and Shebna the secretary and **Joah** the son of Asaph the recorder. (Isaiah 36:3)
- At this Eliakim and Shebna and **Joah** said to Rabshakeh; Speak, please, to your servants in the Syrian language, for we are listening, and do not speak to us in the Jews language in the ears of the people that are on the wall. (Isaiah 36:11)

- **And they continued to keep silent and did not answer him a word, for the commandment of the king was, saying; You must not answer him. (Isaiah 36:21)**
- **But Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, who was over the household, and Shebna the secretary and **Joah** the son of Asaph the recorder came to Hezekiah with their garments ripped apart, and told him the words of Rabshakeh. (Isaiah 36:22)**
- **The construction of the text, **Joah** the son of Asaph the recorder, allows for either **Joah** or Asaph to be the recorder, but it is more likely that **Joah** himself held this office, just as the two with him are also described by their office.**