## ~JOIAKIM (33)

(Joi'a-kim) [shortened form of Jehoiakim, possibly meaning, Yehowah Raises Up]

- Son and evidently the successor of postexilic High Priest Jeshua.
- Jeshua himself became father to Joiakim, and Joiakim himself became father to Eliashib, and Eliashib to Joiada. (Nehemiah 12:10)
- And in the days of Joiakim there happened to be priests, the heads of the paternal houses, for Seraiah, Meraiah, for Jeremiah, Hananiah. (Nehemiah 12:12)
- These were in the days of Joiakim the son of Jeshua the son of Jozadak and in the days of Nehemiah the governor and Ezra the priest, the copyist. (Nehemiah 12:26)
- He evidently held office at the time Ezra returned. [Jewish Antiquities, XI, 121, v, 1]
- However, by the time of Nehemiah's arrival later, 455 B.C.E, Joiakim's son Eliashib had become High Priest.
- And Eliashib the High Priest and his brothers, the priests, proceeded to get up and build the Sheep Gate. They themselves sanctified it and went setting up its doors, and as far as the Tower of Meah they sanctified it, as far as the Tower of Hananel. (Nehemiah 3:1)