

## ~KISH 4 (59)

- **A Levite of King Hezekiah's time, son of Abdi of the sons of Merari. Kish was one of the Levites who helped to cleanse the temple in the first year of Hezekiah's reign.**
- **Hezekiah himself became king at the age of twenty-five years, and for twenty-nine years he reigned in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Abijah the daughter of Zechariah. (2 Chronicles 29:1)**
- **And he kept doing what was right in Yehowah's eyes, according to all that David his forefather had done. (2 Chronicles 29:2)**
- **He himself, in the first year of his reigning, in the first month, opened the doors of the house of Yehowah and began to repair them. (2 Chronicles 29:3)**
- **Then he brought the priests and the Levites and gathered them to the open place to the east. (2 Chronicles 29:4)**
- **And he proceeded to say to them; Listen to me, you Levites. Now sanctify yourselves and sanctify the house of Yehowah the God of your forefathers, and bring the impure thing out from the holy place. (2 Chronicles 29:5)**
- **At that the Levites rose up, Mahath the son of Amasai and Joel the son of Azariah of the sons of the Kohathites, and from the sons of Merari, **Kish** the son of Abdi and Azariah the son of Jehallelel, and from the Gershonites, Joah the son of Zimmah and Eden the son of Joah. (2 Chronicles 29:12)**
- **And from the sons of Elizaphan, Shimri and Jeuel, and from the sons of Asaph, Zechariah and Mattaniah. (2 Chronicles 29:13)**
- **And from the sons of Heman, Jehiel and Shimei, and from the sons of Jeduthun, Shemaiah and Uzziel. (2 Chronicles 29:14)**
- **Then they gathered their brothers together and sanctified themselves and came according to the king's commandment in the words of Yehowah, to cleanse the house of Yehowah. (2 Chronicles 29:15)**

- **The priests now came inside the house of Yehowah to do the cleansing and brought out all the uncleanness that they found in the temple of Yehowah to the courtyard of the house of Yehowah. In turn the Levites received it to take it out to the torrent valley of Kidron outside. (2 Chronicles 29:16)**
- **Thus they got started on the first day of the first month at sanctifying, and on the eighth day of the month they came to the porch of Yehowah, so that they sanctified the house of Yehowah in eight days, and on the sixteenth day of the first month they finished. (2 Chronicles 29:17)**