

~**MERAIOTH 3 (20)**

**(Me-ra'ioth) [possibly, Rebellious Ones]**

- **Founder of a priestly paternal house, the head of which was Helkai in the days of Joiakim.**
- **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)**
- **For Harim, Adna, for Meraioth, Helkai. (Nehemiah 12:15)**
- **Meraioth, which was the name of this house following the Jews return from Babylonian exile, may be a variation of Meremoth, the name of one of the priests accompanying Zerubbabel to Jerusalem in 537 B.C.E.**
- **Shecaniah, Rehum, Meremoth. (Nehemiah 12:3)**