

~NEBUSHAZBAN (35)

(Neb-u-shaz'ban) [from Akkadian, meaning, O Nebo, Deliver Me!]

- The Rabsaris, chief court official, in the forces of Nebuchadnezzar that destroyed Jerusalem in 607 B.C.E. **Nebushazban** was one of several princes that directed the release of Jeremiah.
- Accordingly Nebuzaradan the chief of the bodyguard and **Nebushazban** the Rabsaris, and Nergal-sharezer the Rabmag and all the principal men of the king of Babylon sent. (**Jeremiah 39:13**)
- They even proceeded to send and take Jeremiah out of the Courtyard of the Guard and give him over to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan, in order to bring him forth to his house, that he might dwell in the midst of the people. (**Jeremiah 39:14**)
- Either **Nebushazban** is referred to by his title or else another man was also called Rabsaris in the group that sat down in the Middle Gate after the Babylonians first broke through Jerusalem's wall.
- In the eleventh year of Zedekiah, in the fourth month, on the ninth day of the month, the city was broken through. (**Jeremiah 39:2**)
- And all the princes of the king of Babylon proceeded to come in and sit down in the Middle Gate, namely, Nergal-sharezer, Samgar-nebo, Sarsechim, Rabsaris, Nergal-sharezer the Rabmag and all the rest of the princes of the king of Babylon. (**Jeremiah 39:3**)