

~POTIPHERA (26)

(Pot-i'phe-ra) [from Egyptian, meaning, He Whom Ra Has Given]

- Joseph's father-in-law, whose daughter Asenath bore Manasseh and Ephraim.
- After that Pharaoh called Joseph's name Zaphenathpaneah and gave him Asenath the daughter of **Potiphera** the priest of On as a wife. And Joseph began to go out over the land of Egypt. (**Genesis 41:45**)
- And before the year of the famine arrived there were born to Joseph two sons, whom Asenath the daughter of **Potiphera** the priest of On bore to him. (**Genesis 41:50**)
- And there came to be born to Joseph in the land of Egypt Manasseh and Ephraim, whom Asenath the daughter of **Potiphera** the priest of On bore to him. (**Genesis 46:20**)
- **Potiphera** was the priest, likely of the sun-god Ra, officiating at On, a center of Egyptian sun worship. In the Cairo Museum there is a stele, a funeral pillar, procured in **1935 B.C.E**, that has on it the name **Putiphar**. [Annales du service des antiquités Deuteronomy l'Égypte, Cairo, 1939, Vol. XXXIX, pp. 273-276]