## ~THEUDAS (45) (Theu'das)

- A rebel who started an insurrection with a following of about 400 men sometime before 6 C.E. By using this Theudas as his first example of a movement that caused no more trouble after its leader was put to death, the Pharisee Gamaliel persuaded the Sanhedrin not to bother the youthful Christian congregation so soon after Jesus death.
- But a certain man rose in the Sanhedrin, a Pharisee named Gamaliel, a Law teacher esteemed by all the people, and gave the command to put the men outside for a little while. (Acts of Apostles 5:34)
- And he said to them; Men of Israel, pay attention to yourselves as to what you intend to do respecting these men. (Acts of Apostles 5:35)
- For instance, before these days Theudas rose, saying he himself was somebody, and a number of men, about four hundred, joined his party. But he was done away with, and all those who were obeying him were dispersed and came to nothing. (Acts of Apostles 5:36)
- After him Judas the Galilean rose in the days of the registration, and he drew off people after him. And yet that man perished, and all those who were obeying him were scattered abroad. (Acts of Apostles 5:37)
- And so, under the present circumstances, I say to you, Do not meddle with these men, but let them alone, because, if this scheme or this work is from men, it will be overthrown. (Acts of Apostles 5:38)
- But if it is from God, you will not be able to overthrow them, otherwise, you may perhaps be found fighters actually against God. (Acts of Apostles 5:39)
- At this they gave heed to him, and they summoned the apostles, flogged them, and ordered them to stop speaking upon the basis of Jesus name, and let them go. (Acts of Apostles 5:40)