#1147 The Curse of Jehoiakim and the Lineage of Jesus Christ – The *signet ring* prophecy against Jehoiachin and the *signet ring* prophecy favorable to Zerubbabel, part 2

*1 Chronicles 3:17-19 (KJV)* And the sons of [the cursed] **JECONIAH** [Jehoiachin, Coniah]: Assir [a name which means prisoner, or captivity, and thus other versions read like . . . the descendants of Jehoiachin, the captive], **SALATHIEL** his son, {Salathiel: Heb. SHEALTIEL}

18 Malchiram also, and **PEDAIAH**, and Shenazar, Jecamiah, Hoshama, and Nedabiah.

19 And the sons of **PEDAIAH** were, **ZERUBBABEL**, and Shimei: and the sons of **Zerubbabel**; Meshullam, and Hananiah, and Shelomith their sister:

In most passages of scripture that concern themselves with the father of Zerubbabel, Salathiel (Shealtiel) is written as the father. However, in 1 Chronicles 3:17-19, instead of rendering the genealogical line as coming through the cursed Jeconiah, his son Salathiel (Shealtiel), and his son Zerubabbel, the genealogical line is instead rendered as the cursed Jeconiah, his son Pedaiah, and his son Zerubbabel.

**Key Understanding:** The *signet ring* prophecy against Jehoiachin and the *signet ring* prophecy favorable to Zerubbabel. Furthermore, as seen in Jeremiah 22:24, 30 (below) and Haggai 2:21, 23 (below), the Lord clearly intends for there to be a relationship between (i) the *signet ring* prophecy against **Jehoiachin** given by Jeremiah and its accompanying curse upon Jehoiachin (Jeconiah, Coniah) that no man of his seed would sit upon the throne of David, and (ii) the *signet ring* prophecy in favor of **Zerubbabel** by Haggai, which includes Zerubbabel, though only a governor of Judah, as a type of Messiah sitting on the throne of Israel. It would seem that the persons of Salathiel (Shealtiel) and Pedaiah, each said in scripture to be Zerubbabel’s father, are a critical part of the story concerning the curse of none of Jehoiachin’s (and for that matter Jehoiakim’s) seed sitting upon the throne of David passing from Jehoiachin through either of them to Zerubbabel.

### The contrasting signet ring prophecies

- Jeremiah 22:24, unfavorable to Jehoiachin (Jehoiachin)
- Haggai 2:23, favorable to Zerubbabel

- Pedaiah
- Shealtiel

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The signet ring prophecy against Jehoiachin (Jeconiah, Coniah)

Jeremiah 22:24, 30 (KJV) *As I live, saith the LORD, THOUGH CONIAH [Jehoiachin, Jeconiah] the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah WERE THE SIGNET UPON MY RIGHT HAND, yet would I pluck thee thence.* [NIV . . . “As surely as I live,” declares the Lord, “even if you, Jehoiachin son of Jehoiakim the king of Judah, were a signet ring on my right hand, I would still pull you off.”]

30 *Thus saith the LORD, Write ye this man childless, a man that shall not prosper in his days: FOR NO MAN OF HIS [Jehoiachin’s] SEED SHALL PROSPER, SITTING UPON THE THRONE OF DAVID, AND RULING ANY MORE IN JUDAH.*

The signet ring prophecy favorable to Zerubbabel

Haggai 2:21, 23 (KJV) *SPEAK TO ZERUBBABEL, governor of Judah, saying, I will shake the heavens and the earth; 23 In that day, saith the LORD of hosts, will I take thee, O ZERUBBABEL, my servant, the son of Shealtiel, saith the LORD, AND WILL MAKE THEE AS A SIGNET: for I have chosen thee, saith the LORD of hosts. [NIV . . . “On that day,” declares the Lord Almighty, ‘I will take you, my servant Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel,’ declares the Lord, ‘and I will make you like my signet ring, for I have chosen you,’ declares the Lord Almighty.”]