

PRIESTS IN ISRAEL'S HISTORY / *Numbers 35:25-28*

Numbers 35:25-28 mentions the death of a high priest. Each new high priest had to come from the lineage of Aaron. Listed here are the ones whose stories are told elsewhere in the Bible.	Priest	Importance	Reference
	Aaron	Moses' brother and first priest	Exodus 28:1-3
	Eleazar	Watched two of his brothers die in a fire from God because they did not follow God's instructions. He obeyed God and became chief leader of the Tabernacle.	Leviticus 10 Numbers 3:32
	Phinehas	Executed a young Israelite idol worshiper and his Midianite mistress to end a plague. He was then promised that his priestly line would never end.	Numbers 25:1-15
	Ahitub	A priest during King Saul's reign	1 Samuel 14:3
	Zadok	A faithful high priest under King David. He and Nathan anointed Solomon as the next king.	2 Samuel 8:17 1 Kings 1:38-39
	Ahimaaz	Carried the message of Absalom's death to King David but was apparently afraid to tell about it.	2 Samuel 18:19-29
	Azariah	High priest under King Solomon	1 Kings 4:2
	Azariah	High priest under Uzziah. He rebuked the king for burning incense himself.	2 Chronicles 26:17-21
		When Hezekiah became king, he reopened the Temple. Azariah again served as high priest.	2 Chronicles 26:17-21
	Amariah	King Jehoshaphat appointed him to judge religious disputes.	2 Chronicles 19:11
	Hilkiah	Found the Book of the Law during Josiah's reign	2 Kings 22:3-13 2 Chronicles 34:14-21
	Azariah	Probably one of the first to return to Israel from Babylon	1 Chronicles 9:10-11
	Seraiah	The father of Ezra	Ezra 7:1-5