

<u>12 SONS</u>	<u>HEBREW MEANING</u>	<u>HISTORY OF NT BELIEVER; SINNER SAVED BY GRACE</u>
RUEBEN	BEHOLD A SON	“Behold, the Lamb of God” (Jn 1:36)
SIMEON	HEARING	“Faith comes by HEARING , and hearing by the Word of God” (Rom 10:17)
LEVI	JOINED; ATTACHED	Upon accepting that which we have heard, we are then enjoined; attached; INDWELT by the Holy Spirit as adopted children of God (Jn 14:17, 1 Co 3:16, Eph 1:5)
JUDAH	PRAISE	The believer now has GRATITUDE and PRAISE for the riches now his or hers in Christ (Phil 4:4)
DAN	JUDGMENT	We are now justified and JUDGED righteous in Christ, and as we continue to judge ourselves, we will not be judged of God (Rom 3:22, 2 Co 5:21, 1 Co 11:31)
NAPHTALI	WRESTLING	Being now in Christ, we begin as believers to WRESTLE with the Flesh. Our Spirit and our Flesh begin to strive against one another (Gal 5:17, Rom 7:23)
GAD	TROOP; COMPANY	That striving brings us to seek support in the troop; the Company; the SUPPORT of other believers . We seek Fellowship in the Company of believers.
ASHER	HAPPY; BLESSED	As a result of that we now have joy; we are HAPPY ; we are BLESSED - finding our role in the Body of Christ.
ISSACHAR	HIRE; SERVICE	And then in the Body we discover our gifts - and how it is we are to SERVE now in the church. (1 Co 12:7, 12)
ZEBULON	DWELLING	We then hold fast to our service - we are DWELLING in In this temporary tent; we are living in these dying bodies until the resurrection. (1 Co 15:53)
JOSEPH	ADDING	God is ADDING to us as we bring forth good works; Matt 6:33 - “seek first God and His Kingdom - and all things will be ADDED unto you.” We are storing up for ourselves treasures in heaven (Mat 6:20).
BENJAMIN	SON OF MY RIGHT HAND	IT BEGINS AND ENDS with Christ - He is the Alpha and The Omega (Rev 1:8, 22:13) - and we are ushered into His presence for all of eternity.