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Bible Name Dictionary

Bible Name: **Abishai**

Language: **Hebrew**

Pronunciation: **ab-ee-shah'-ee**

Meaning: The name 'Abishai' means 'Father of a Gift.' It is derived from two Hebrew root words. The first is 'Ab' meaning 'father'; this basic Hebrew meaning can extend outside the contemporary application of a traditional 'father' to include a 'counsellor', 'judge', 'leader' or 'source.' The second root word is 'Shay' meaning 'gift' (something desired). It can also denote a 'generous person.'

Alternative meanings include: 'My Father is Generous', 'My Father is a Gift', 'Source of Generosity', 'Generous Leader' or 'My Father is My Desire.'

Please note: Another possible meaning for the name 'Abishai' is 'My Father is Jesse.' The Hebrew meaning for 'Jesse' is either 'My Husband' or 'Yah Exists.' This alternative meaning would drastically change the above translation for 'Abishai' to 'My Father is My Husband' or 'My Father Yah Exists.'