

## **Resource: Berean Standard Bible**

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### Numbers 1:1

<sup>1</sup> On the first day of the second month of the second year after the Israelites had come out of the land of Egypt, the LORD spoke to Moses in the Tent of Meeting in the Wilderness of Sinai. He said:

### Numbers 1:2

<sup>2</sup> “Take a census of the whole congregation of Israel by their clans and families, listing every man by name, one by one.

### Numbers 1:3

<sup>3</sup> You and Aaron are to number those who are twenty years of age or older by their divisions—everyone who can serve in Israel’s army.

### Numbers 1:4

<sup>4</sup> And one man from each tribe, the head of each family, must be there with you.

### Numbers 1:5

<sup>5</sup> These are the names of the men who are to assist you: From the tribe of Reuben, Elizur son of Shedeur;

### Numbers 1:6

<sup>6</sup> from Simeon, Shelumiel son of Zurishaddai;

### Numbers 1:7

<sup>7</sup> from Judah, Nahshon son of Amminadab;

### Numbers 1:8

<sup>8</sup> from Issachar, Nethanel son of Zuar;

### Numbers 1:9

<sup>9</sup> from Zebulun, Eliab son of Helon;

### Numbers 1:10

<sup>10</sup> from the sons of Joseph: from Ephraim, Elishama son of Ammihud, and from Manasseh, Gamaliel son of Pedahzur;

### Numbers 1:11

<sup>11</sup> from Benjamin, Abidan son of Gideoni;

### Numbers 1:12

<sup>12</sup> from Dan, Ahiezer son of Ammishaddai;

### Numbers 1:13

<sup>13</sup> from Asher, Pagiel son of Ocran;

### Numbers 1:14

<sup>14</sup> from Gad, Eliasaph son of Deuel;

**Numbers 1:15**

<sup>15</sup> and from Naphtali, Ahira son of Enan.”

**Numbers 1:16**

<sup>16</sup> These men were appointed from the congregation; they were the leaders of the tribes of their fathers, the heads of the clans of Israel.

**Numbers 1:17**

<sup>17</sup> So Moses and Aaron took these men who had been designated by name,

**Numbers 1:18**

<sup>18</sup> and on the first day of the second month they assembled the whole congregation and recorded their ancestry by clans and families, counting one by one the names of those twenty years of age or older,

**Numbers 1:19**

<sup>19</sup> just as the LORD had commanded Moses. So Moses numbered them in the Wilderness of Sinai:

**Numbers 1:20**

<sup>20</sup> From the sons of Reuben, the firstborn of Israel, according to the records of their clans and families, counting one by one the names of every male twenty years of age or older who could serve in the army,

**Numbers 1:21**

<sup>21</sup> those registered to the tribe of Reuben numbered 46,500.

**Numbers 1:22**

<sup>22</sup> From the sons of Simeon, according to the records of their clans and families, counting one by

one the names of every male twenty years of age or older who could serve in the army,

**Numbers 1:23**

<sup>23</sup> those registered to the tribe of Simeon numbered 59,300.

**Numbers 1:24**

<sup>24</sup> From the sons of Gad, according to the records of their clans and families, counting the names of all those twenty years of age or older who could serve in the army,

**Numbers 1:25**

<sup>25</sup> those registered to the tribe of Gad numbered 45,650.

**Numbers 1:26**

<sup>26</sup> From the sons of Judah, according to the records of their clans and families, counting the names of all those twenty years of age or older who could serve in the army,

**Numbers 1:27**

<sup>27</sup> those registered to the tribe of Judah numbered 74,600.

**Numbers 1:28**

<sup>28</sup> From the sons of Issachar, according to the records of their clans and families, counting the names of all those twenty years of age or older who could serve in the army,

**Numbers 1:29**

<sup>29</sup> those registered to the tribe of Issachar numbered 54,400.

**Numbers 1:30**

<sup>30</sup> From the sons of Zebulun, according to the records of their clans and families, counting the names of all those twenty years of age or older who could serve in the army,

**Numbers 1:31**

<sup>31</sup> those registered to the tribe of Zebulun numbered 57,400.

**Numbers 1:32**

<sup>32</sup> From the sons of Joseph: From the sons of Ephraim, according to the records of their clans and families, counting the names of all those twenty years of age or older who could serve in the army,

**Numbers 1:33**

<sup>33</sup> those registered to the tribe of Ephraim numbered 40,500.

**Numbers 1:34**

<sup>34</sup> And from the sons of Manasseh, according to the records of their clans and families, counting the names of all those twenty years of age or older who could serve in the army,

**Numbers 1:35**

<sup>35</sup> those registered to the tribe of Manasseh numbered 32,200.

**Numbers 1:36**

<sup>36</sup> From the sons of Benjamin, according to the records of their clans and families, counting the names of all those twenty years of age or older who could serve in the army,

**Numbers 1:37**

<sup>37</sup> those registered to the tribe of Benjamin numbered 35,400.

**Numbers 1:38**

<sup>38</sup> From the sons of Dan, according to the records of their clans and families, counting the names of all those twenty years of age or older who could serve in the army,

**Numbers 1:39**

<sup>39</sup> those registered to the tribe of Dan numbered 62,700.

**Numbers 1:40**

<sup>40</sup> From the sons of Asher, according to the records of their clans and families, counting the names of all those twenty years of age or older who could serve in the army,

**Numbers 1:41**

<sup>41</sup> those registered to the tribe of Asher numbered 41,500.

**Numbers 1:42**

<sup>42</sup> From the sons of Naphtali, according to the records of their clans and families, counting the names of all those twenty years of age or older who could serve in the army,

**Numbers 1:43**

<sup>43</sup> those registered to the tribe of Naphtali numbered 53,400.

**Numbers 1:44**

<sup>44</sup> These were the men numbered by Moses and Aaron, with the assistance of the twelve leaders of Israel, each one representing his family.

**Numbers 1:45**

<sup>45</sup> So all the Israelites twenty years of age or older who could serve in Israel's army were counted according to their families.

**Numbers 1:46**

<sup>46</sup> And all those counted totaled 603,550.

**Numbers 1:47**

<sup>47</sup> The Levites, however, were not numbered along with them by the tribe of their fathers.

**Numbers 1:48**

<sup>48</sup> For the LORD had said to Moses:

**Numbers 1:49**

<sup>49</sup> "Do not number the tribe of Levi in the census with the other Israelites.

**Numbers 1:50**

<sup>50</sup> Instead, you are to appoint the Levites over the tabernacle of the Testimony, all its furnishings, and everything in it. They shall carry the tabernacle and all its articles, care for it, and camp around it.

**Numbers 1:51**

<sup>51</sup> Whenever the tabernacle is to move, the Levites are to take it down, and whenever it is to be pitched, the Levites are to set it up. Any outsider who goes near it must be put to death.

**Numbers 1:52**

<sup>52</sup> The Israelites are to camp by their divisions, each man in his own camp and under his own standard.

**Numbers 1:53**

<sup>53</sup> But the Levites are to camp around the tabernacle of the Testimony and watch over it, so that no wrath will fall on the congregation of Israel. So the Levites are responsible for the tabernacle of the Testimony."

**Numbers 1:54**

<sup>54</sup> Thus the Israelites did everything just as the LORD had commanded Moses.

**Numbers 2:1**

<sup>1</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses and Aaron:

**Numbers 2:2**

<sup>2</sup> "The Israelites are to camp around the Tent of Meeting at a distance from it, each man under his standard, with the banners of his family.

**Numbers 2:3**

<sup>3</sup> On the east side, toward the sunrise, the divisions of Judah are to camp under their standard: The leader of the Judahites is Nahshon son of Amminadab,

**Numbers 2:4**

<sup>4</sup> and his division numbers 74,600.

**Numbers 2:5**

<sup>5</sup> The tribe of Issachar will camp next to it. The leader of the Issacharites is Nethanel son of Zuar,

**Numbers 2:6**

<sup>6</sup> and his division numbers 54,400.

**Numbers 2:7**

<sup>7</sup> Next will be the tribe of Zebulun. The leader of the Zebulunites is Eliab son of Helon,

**Numbers 2:8**

<sup>8</sup> and his division numbers 57,400.

**Numbers 2:9**

<sup>9</sup> The total number of men in the divisions of the camp of Judah is 186,400; they shall set out first.

**Numbers 2:10**

<sup>10</sup> On the south side, the divisions of Reuben are to camp under their standard: The leader of the Reubenites is Elizur son of Shedeur,

**Numbers 2:11**

<sup>11</sup> and his division numbers 46,500.

**Numbers 2:12**

<sup>12</sup> The tribe of Simeon will camp next to it. The leader of the Simeonites is Shelumiel son of Zurishaddai,

**Numbers 2:13**

<sup>13</sup> and his division numbers 59,300.

**Numbers 2:14**

<sup>14</sup> Next will be the tribe of Gad. The leader of the Gadites is Eliasaph son of Deuel,

**Numbers 2:15**

<sup>15</sup> and his division numbers 45,650.

**Numbers 2:16**

<sup>16</sup> The total number of men in the divisions of the camp of Reuben is 151,450; they shall set out second.

**Numbers 2:17**

<sup>17</sup> In the middle of the camps, the Tent of Meeting is to travel with the camp of the Levites. They are to set out in the order they encamped, each in his own place under his standard.

**Numbers 2:18**

<sup>18</sup> On the west side, the divisions of Ephraim are to camp under their standard: The leader of the Ephraimites is Elishama son of Ammihud,

**Numbers 2:19**

<sup>19</sup> and his division numbers 40,500.

**Numbers 2:20**

<sup>20</sup> The tribe of Manasseh will be next to it. The leader of the Manassites is Gamaliel son of Pedahzur,

**Numbers 2:21**

<sup>21</sup> and his division numbers 32,200.

**Numbers 2:22**

<sup>22</sup> Next will be the tribe of Benjamin. The leader of the Benjamites is Abidan son of Gideoni,

**Numbers 2:23**

<sup>23</sup> and his division numbers 35,400.

**Numbers 2:24**

<sup>24</sup> The total number of men in the divisions of the camp of Ephraim is 108,100; they shall set out third.

**Numbers 2:25**

<sup>25</sup> On the north side, the divisions of Dan are to camp under their standard: The leader of the Danites is Ahiezer son of Ammishaddai,

**Numbers 2:26**

<sup>26</sup> and his division numbers 62,700.

**Numbers 2:27**

<sup>27</sup> The tribe of Asher will camp next to it. The leader of the Asherites is Pagiel son of Ocran,

**Numbers 2:28**

<sup>28</sup> and his division numbers 41,500.

**Numbers 2:29**

<sup>29</sup> Next will be the tribe of Naphtali. The leader of the Naphtalites is Ahira son of Enan,

**Numbers 2:30**

<sup>30</sup> and his division numbers 53,400.

**Numbers 2:31**

<sup>31</sup> The total number of men in the camp of Dan is 157,600; they shall set out last, under their standards."

**Numbers 2:32**

<sup>32</sup> These are the Israelites, numbered according to their families. The total of those counted in the camps, by their divisions, was 603,550.

**Numbers 2:33**

<sup>33</sup> But the Levites were not counted among the other Israelites, as the LORD had commanded Moses.

**Numbers 2:34**

<sup>34</sup> So the Israelites did everything the LORD commanded Moses; they camped under their standards in this way and set out in the same way, each man with his clan and his family.

**Numbers 3:1**

<sup>1</sup> This is the account of Aaron and Moses at the time the LORD spoke with Moses on Mount Sinai.

**Numbers 3:2**

<sup>2</sup> These are the names of the sons of Aaron: Nadab the firstborn, then Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.

**Numbers 3:3**

<sup>3</sup> These were Aaron's sons, the anointed priests, who were ordained to serve as priests.

**Numbers 3:4**

<sup>4</sup> Nadab and Abihu, however, died in the presence of the LORD when they offered unauthorized fire before the LORD in the Wilderness of Sinai. And since they had no sons, only Eleazar and Ithamar served as priests during the lifetime of their father Aaron.

**Numbers 3:5**

<sup>5</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses,

**Numbers 3:6**

<sup>6</sup> “Bring the tribe of Levi and present them to Aaron the priest to assist him.

**Numbers 3:7**

<sup>7</sup> They are to perform duties for him and for the whole congregation before the Tent of Meeting, attending to the service of the tabernacle.

**Numbers 3:8**

<sup>8</sup> They shall take care of all the furnishings of the Tent of Meeting and fulfill obligations for the Israelites by attending to the service of the tabernacle.

**Numbers 3:9**

<sup>9</sup> Assign the Levites to Aaron and his sons; they have been given exclusively to him from among the Israelites.

**Numbers 3:10**

<sup>10</sup> So you shall appoint Aaron and his sons to carry out the duties of the priesthood; but any outsider who approaches the tabernacle must be put to death.”

**Numbers 3:11**

<sup>11</sup> Again the LORD spoke to Moses, saying,

**Numbers 3:12**

<sup>12</sup> “Behold, I have taken the Levites from among the children of Israel in place of every firstborn Israelite from the womb. The Levites belong to Me,

**Numbers 3:13**

<sup>13</sup> for all the firstborn are Mine. On the day I struck down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, I consecrated to Myself all the firstborn in Israel,

both man and beast. They are Mine; I am the LORD.”

**Numbers 3:14**

<sup>14</sup> Then the LORD spoke to Moses in the Wilderness of Sinai, saying,

**Numbers 3:15**

<sup>15</sup> “Number the Levites by their families and clans. You are to count every male a month old or more.”

**Numbers 3:16**

<sup>16</sup> So Moses numbered them according to the word of the LORD, as he had been commanded.

**Numbers 3:17**

<sup>17</sup> These were the sons of Levi by name: Gershon, Kohath, and Merari.

**Numbers 3:18**

<sup>18</sup> These were the names of the sons of Gershon by their clans: Libni and Shimei.

**Numbers 3:19**

<sup>19</sup> The sons of Kohath by their clans were Amram, Izhar, Hebron, and Uzziel.

**Numbers 3:20**

<sup>20</sup> And the sons of Merari by their clans were Mahli and Mushi. These were the clans of the Levites, according to their families.

**Numbers 3:21**

<sup>21</sup> From Gershon came the Libnite clan and the Shimeite clan; these were the Gershonite clans.



**Numbers 3:22**

<sup>22</sup> The number of all the males a month old or more was 7,500.

**Numbers 3:23**

<sup>23</sup> The Gershonite clans were to camp on the west, behind the tabernacle,

**Numbers 3:24**

<sup>24</sup> and the leader of the families of the Gershonites was Eliasaph son of Lael.

**Numbers 3:25**

<sup>25</sup> The duties of the Gershonites at the Tent of Meeting were the tabernacle and tent, its covering, the curtain for the entrance to the Tent of Meeting,

**Numbers 3:26**

<sup>26</sup> the curtains of the courtyard, the curtain for the entrance to the courtyard that surrounds the tabernacle and altar, and the cords—all the service for these items.

**Numbers 3:27**

<sup>27</sup> From Kohath came the clans of the Amramites, the Izharites, the Hebronites, and the Uzzielites; these were the clans of the Kohathites.

**Numbers 3:28**

<sup>28</sup> The number of all the males a month old or more was 8,600. They were responsible for the duties of the sanctuary.

**Numbers 3:29**

<sup>29</sup> The clans of the Kohathites were to camp on the south side of the tabernacle,

**Numbers 3:30**

<sup>30</sup> and the leader of the families of the Kohathites was Elizaphan son of Uzziel.

**Numbers 3:31**

<sup>31</sup> Their duties were the ark, the table, the lampstand, the altars, the articles of the sanctuary used with them, and the curtain—all the service for these items.

**Numbers 3:32**

<sup>32</sup> The chief of the leaders of the Levites was Eleazar son of Aaron the priest; he oversaw those responsible for the duties of the sanctuary.

**Numbers 3:33**

<sup>33</sup> From Merari came the clans of the Mahlites and Mushites; these were the Merarite clans.

**Numbers 3:34**

<sup>34</sup> The number of all the males a month old or more was 6,200.

**Numbers 3:35**

<sup>35</sup> The leader of the families of the Merarites was Zuriel son of Abihail; they were to camp on the north side of the tabernacle.

**Numbers 3:36**

<sup>36</sup> The duties assigned to the sons of Merari were the tabernacle's frames, crossbars, posts, bases, and all its equipment—all the service for these items,

**Numbers 3:37**

<sup>37</sup> as well as the posts of the surrounding courtyard with their bases, tent pegs, and ropes.

**Numbers 3:38**

<sup>38</sup> Moses, Aaron, and Aaron's sons were to camp to the east of the tabernacle, toward the sunrise, before the Tent of Meeting. They were to perform the duties of the sanctuary as a service on behalf of the Israelites; but any outsider who approached the sanctuary was to be put to death.

**Numbers 3:39**

<sup>39</sup> The total number of Levites that Moses and Aaron counted by their clans at the LORD's command, including all the males a month old or more, was 22,000.

**Numbers 3:40**

<sup>40</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses, "Number every firstborn male of the Israelites a month old or more, and list their names.

**Numbers 3:41**

<sup>41</sup> You are to take the Levites for Me—I am the LORD—in place of all the firstborn of Israel, and the livestock of the Levites in place of all the firstborn of the livestock of the Israelites."

**Numbers 3:42**

<sup>42</sup> So Moses numbered all the firstborn of the Israelites, as the LORD had commanded him.

**Numbers 3:43**

<sup>43</sup> The total number of the firstborn males a month old or more, listed by name, was 22,273.

**Numbers 3:44**

<sup>44</sup> Again the LORD spoke to Moses, saying,

**Numbers 3:45**

<sup>45</sup> "Take the Levites in place of all the firstborn of Israel, and the livestock of the Levites in place of their livestock. The Levites belong to Me; I am the LORD.

**Numbers 3:46**

<sup>46</sup> To redeem the 273 firstborn Israelites who outnumber the Levites,

**Numbers 3:47**

<sup>47</sup> you are to collect five shekels for each one, according to the sanctuary shekel of twenty gerahs.

**Numbers 3:48**

<sup>48</sup> Give the money to Aaron and his sons as the redemption price for the excess among the Israelites."

**Numbers 3:49**

<sup>49</sup> So Moses collected the redemption money from those in excess of the number redeemed by the Levites.

**Numbers 3:50**

<sup>50</sup> He collected the money from the firstborn of the Israelites: 1,365 shekels, according to the sanctuary shekel.

**Numbers 3:51**

<sup>51</sup> And Moses gave the redemption money to Aaron and his sons in obedience to the word of the LORD, just as the LORD had commanded him.

**Numbers 4:1**

<sup>1</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses and Aaron,

**Numbers 4:2**

<sup>2</sup> “Take a census of the Kohathites among the Levites by their clans and families,

**Numbers 4:3**

<sup>3</sup> men from thirty to fifty years old—everyone who is qualified to serve in the work at the Tent of Meeting.

**Numbers 4:4**

<sup>4</sup> This service of the Kohathites at the Tent of Meeting regards the most holy things.

**Numbers 4:5**

<sup>5</sup> Whenever the camp sets out, Aaron and his sons are to go in, take down the veil of the curtain, and cover the ark of the Testimony with it.

**Numbers 4:6**

<sup>6</sup> They are to place over this a covering of fine leather, spread a solid blue cloth over it, and insert its poles.

**Numbers 4:7**

<sup>7</sup> Over the table of the Presence they are to spread a blue cloth and place the plates and cups on it, along with the bowls and pitchers for the drink offering. The regular bread offering is to remain on it.

**Numbers 4:8**

<sup>8</sup> And they shall spread a scarlet cloth over them, cover them with fine leather, and insert the poles.

**Numbers 4:9**

<sup>9</sup> They are to take a blue cloth and cover the lampstand used for light, together with its lamps,

wick trimmers, and trays, as well as the jars of oil with which to supply it.

**Numbers 4:10**

<sup>10</sup> Then they shall wrap it and all its utensils inside a covering of fine leather and put it on the carrying frame.

**Numbers 4:11**

<sup>11</sup> Over the gold altar they are to spread a blue cloth, cover it with fine leather, and insert the poles.

**Numbers 4:12**

<sup>12</sup> They are to take all the utensils for serving in the sanctuary, place them in a blue cloth, cover them with fine leather, and put them on the carrying frame.

**Numbers 4:13**

<sup>13</sup> Then they shall remove the ashes from the bronze altar, spread a purple cloth over it,

**Numbers 4:14**

<sup>14</sup> and place on it all the vessels used to serve there: the firepans, meat forks, shovels, and sprinkling bowls—all the equipment of the altar. They are to spread over it a covering of fine leather and insert the poles.

**Numbers 4:15**

<sup>15</sup> When Aaron and his sons have finished covering the holy objects and all their equipment, as soon as the camp is ready to move, the Kohathites shall come and do the carrying. But they must not touch the holy objects, or they will die. These are the transportation duties of the Kohathites regarding the Tent of Meeting.

**Numbers 4:16**

<sup>16</sup> Eleazar son of Aaron the priest shall oversee the oil for the light, the fragrant incense, the daily grain offering, and the anointing oil. He has oversight of the entire tabernacle and everything in it, including the holy objects and their utensils.”

**Numbers 4:17**

<sup>17</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses and Aaron,

**Numbers 4:18**

<sup>18</sup> “Do not allow the Kohathite tribal clans to be cut off from among the Levites.

**Numbers 4:19**

<sup>19</sup> In order that they may live and not die when they come near the most holy things, do this for them: Aaron and his sons are to go in and assign each man his task and what he is to carry.

**Numbers 4:20**

<sup>20</sup> But the Kohathites are not to go in and look at the holy objects, even for a moment, or they will die.”

**Numbers 4:21**

<sup>21</sup> And the LORD said to Moses,

**Numbers 4:22**

<sup>22</sup> “Take a census of the Gershonites as well, by their families and clans,

**Numbers 4:23**

<sup>23</sup> from thirty to fifty years old, counting everyone who comes to serve in the work at the Tent of Meeting.

**Numbers 4:24**

<sup>24</sup> This is the service of the Gershonite clans regarding work and transport:

**Numbers 4:25**

<sup>25</sup> They are to carry the curtains of the tabernacle, the Tent of Meeting with the covering of fine leather over it, the curtains for the entrance to the Tent of Meeting,

**Numbers 4:26**

<sup>26</sup> the curtains of the courtyard, and the curtains for the entrance at the gate of the courtyard that surrounds the tabernacle and altar, along with their ropes and all the equipment for their service. The Gershonites will do all that needs to be done with these items.

**Numbers 4:27**

<sup>27</sup> All the service of the Gershonites—all their transport duties and other work—is to be done at the direction of Aaron and his sons; you are to assign to them all that they are responsible to carry.

**Numbers 4:28**

<sup>28</sup> This is the service of the Gershonite clans at the Tent of Meeting, and their duties shall be under the direction of Ithamar son of Aaron the priest.

**Numbers 4:29**

<sup>29</sup> As for the sons of Merari, you are to number them by their clans and families,

**Numbers 4:30**

<sup>30</sup> from thirty to fifty years old, counting everyone who comes to serve in the work of the Tent of Meeting.

**Numbers 4:31**

<sup>31</sup> This is the duty for all their service at the Tent of Meeting: to carry the frames of the tabernacle with its crossbars, posts, and bases,

**Numbers 4:32**

<sup>32</sup> and the posts of the surrounding courtyard with their bases, tent pegs, and ropes, including all their equipment and everything related to their use. You shall assign by name the items that they are responsible to carry.

**Numbers 4:33**

<sup>33</sup> This is the service of the Merarite clans according to all their work at the Tent of Meeting, under the direction of Ithamar son of Aaron the priest."

**Numbers 4:34**

<sup>34</sup> So Moses, Aaron, and the leaders of the congregation numbered the Kohathites by their clans and families,

**Numbers 4:35**

<sup>35</sup> everyone from thirty to fifty years old who came to serve in the work at the Tent of Meeting.

**Numbers 4:36**

<sup>36</sup> And those numbered by their clans totaled 2,750.

**Numbers 4:37**

<sup>37</sup> These were counted from the Kohathite clans, everyone who could serve at the Tent of Meeting. Moses and Aaron numbered them according to the command of the LORD through Moses.

**Numbers 4:38**

<sup>38</sup> Then the Gershonites were numbered by their clans and families,

**Numbers 4:39**

<sup>39</sup> everyone from thirty to fifty years old who came to serve in the work at the Tent of Meeting.

**Numbers 4:40**

<sup>40</sup> And those numbered by their clans and families totaled 2,630.

**Numbers 4:41**

<sup>41</sup> These were counted from the Gershonite clans who served at the Tent of Meeting, whom Moses and Aaron counted at the LORD's command.

**Numbers 4:42**

<sup>42</sup> And the Merarites were numbered by their clans and families,

**Numbers 4:43**

<sup>43</sup> everyone from thirty to fifty years old who came to serve in the work at the Tent of Meeting.

**Numbers 4:44**

<sup>44</sup> The men registered by their clans numbered 3,200.

**Numbers 4:45**

<sup>45</sup> These were counted from the Merarite clans, whom Moses and Aaron numbered at the LORD's command through Moses.

**Numbers 4:46**

<sup>46</sup> So Moses, Aaron, and the leaders of Israel numbered by their clans and families all the Levites

**Numbers 4:47**

<sup>47</sup> from thirty to fifty years old who came to do the work of serving and carrying the Tent of Meeting.

**Numbers 4:48**

<sup>48</sup> And the number of men was 8,580.

**Numbers 4:49**

<sup>49</sup> At the LORD's command through Moses they were numbered, and each one was assigned his work and burden, as the LORD had commanded Moses.

**Numbers 5:1**

<sup>1</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses,

**Numbers 5:2**

<sup>2</sup> "Command the Israelites to send away from the camp anyone with a skin disease, anyone who has a bodily discharge, and anyone who is defiled by a dead body.

**Numbers 5:3**

<sup>3</sup> You must send away male and female alike; send them outside the camp so they will not defile their camp, where I dwell among them."

**Numbers 5:4**

<sup>4</sup> So the Israelites did this, sending such people outside the camp. They did just as the LORD had instructed Moses.

**Numbers 5:5**

<sup>5</sup> And the LORD said to Moses,

**Numbers 5:6**

<sup>6</sup> "Tell the Israelites that when a man or woman acts unfaithfully against the LORD by committing any sin against another, that person is guilty

**Numbers 5:7**

<sup>7</sup> and must confess the sin he has committed. He must make full restitution, add a fifth to its value, and give all this to the one he has wronged.

**Numbers 5:8**

<sup>8</sup> But if the man has no relative to whom restitution can be made for the wrong, the restitution belongs to the LORD and must be given to the priest along with the ram of atonement, by which the atonement is made for him.

**Numbers 5:9**

<sup>9</sup> Every sacred contribution the Israelites bring to the priest shall belong to him.

**Numbers 5:10**

<sup>10</sup> Each man's sacred gifts are his own, but whatever he gives to the priest will belong to the priest."

**Numbers 5:11**

<sup>11</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses,

**Numbers 5:12**

<sup>12</sup> "Speak to the Israelites and tell them that if any man's wife goes astray and is unfaithful to him

**Numbers 5:13**

<sup>13</sup> by sleeping with another man, and it is concealed from her husband and her impurity is undetected (since there is no witness against her and she was not caught in the act),

**Numbers 5:14**

<sup>14</sup> and if a feeling of jealousy comes over her husband and he suspects his wife who has defiled herself—or if a feeling of jealousy comes over him and he suspects her even though she has not defiled herself—

**Numbers 5:15**

<sup>15</sup> then he is to bring his wife to the priest. He must also bring for her an offering of a tenth of an ephah of barley flour. He is not to pour oil over it or put frankincense on it, because it is a grain offering for jealousy, an offering of memorial as a reminder of iniquity.

**Numbers 5:16**

<sup>16</sup> The priest is to bring the wife forward and have her stand before the LORD.

**Numbers 5:17**

<sup>17</sup> Then he is to take some holy water in a clay jar and put some of the dust from the tabernacle floor into the water.

**Numbers 5:18**

<sup>18</sup> After the priest has the woman stand before the LORD, he is to let down her hair and place in her hands the grain offering of memorial, which is the grain offering for jealousy. The priest is to hold the bitter water that brings a curse.

**Numbers 5:19**

<sup>19</sup> And he is to put the woman under oath and say to her, 'If no other man has slept with you and you have not gone astray and become defiled while under your husband's authority, may you be immune to this bitter water that brings a curse.

**Numbers 5:20**

<sup>20</sup> But if you have gone astray while under your husband's authority and have defiled yourself and lain carnally with a man other than your husband'—

**Numbers 5:21**

<sup>21</sup> and the priest shall have the woman swear under the oath of the curse—'then may the LORD make you an attested curse among your people by making your thigh shrivel and your belly swell.

**Numbers 5:22**

<sup>22</sup> May this water that brings a curse enter your stomach and cause your belly to swell and your thigh to shrivel.' Then the woman is to say, 'Amen, Amen.'

**Numbers 5:23**

<sup>23</sup> And the priest shall write these curses on a scroll and wash them off into the bitter water.

**Numbers 5:24**

<sup>24</sup> He is to have the woman drink the bitter water that brings a curse, and it will enter her and may cause her bitter suffering.

**Numbers 5:25**

<sup>25</sup> The priest shall take from her hand the grain offering for jealousy, wave it before the LORD, and bring it to the altar.

**Numbers 5:26**

<sup>26</sup> Then the priest is to take a handful of the grain offering as a memorial portion and burn it on the altar; after that he is to have the woman drink the water.

**Numbers 5:27**

<sup>27</sup> When he has made her drink the water, if she has defiled herself and been unfaithful to her husband, then the water that brings a curse will enter her and cause bitter suffering; her belly will swell, her thigh will shrivel, and she will become accursed among her people.

**Numbers 5:28**

<sup>28</sup> But if the woman has not defiled herself and is clean, she will be unaffected and able to conceive children.

**Numbers 5:29**

<sup>29</sup> This is the law of jealousy when a wife goes astray and defiles herself while under her husband's authority,

**Numbers 5:30**

<sup>30</sup> or when a feeling of jealousy comes over a husband and he suspects his wife. He is to have the woman stand before the LORD, and the priest is to apply to her this entire law.

**Numbers 5:31**

<sup>31</sup> The husband will be free from guilt, but the woman shall bear her iniquity."

**Numbers 6:1**

<sup>1</sup> And the LORD said to Moses,

**Numbers 6:2**

<sup>2</sup> "Speak to the Israelites and tell them that if a man or woman makes a special vow, the vow of a Nazirite, to separate himself to the LORD,

**Numbers 6:3**

<sup>3</sup> he is to abstain from wine and strong drink. He must not drink vinegar made from wine or strong drink, and he must not drink any grape juice or eat fresh grapes or raisins.

**Numbers 6:4**

<sup>4</sup> All the days of his separation, he is not to eat anything that comes from the grapevine, not even the seeds or skins.

**Numbers 6:5**

<sup>5</sup> For the entire period of his vow of separation, no razor shall touch his head. He must be holy until the time of his separation to the LORD is complete; he must let the hair of his head grow long.

**Numbers 6:6**

<sup>6</sup> Throughout the days of his separation to the LORD, he must not go near a dead body.

**Numbers 6:7**

<sup>7</sup> Even if his father or mother or brother or sister should die, he is not to defile himself, because the symbol of consecration to his God is upon his head.

**Numbers 6:8**

<sup>8</sup> Throughout the time of his separation, he is holy to the LORD.

**Numbers 6:9**

<sup>9</sup> If someone suddenly dies in his presence and defiles his consecrated head of hair, he must shave his head on the day of his cleansing—the seventh day.



**Numbers 6:10**

<sup>10</sup> On the eighth day he must bring two turtledoves or two young pigeons to the priest at the entrance to the Tent of Meeting.

**Numbers 6:11**

<sup>11</sup> And the priest is to offer one as a sin offering and the other as a burnt offering to make atonement for him, because he has sinned by being in the presence of the dead body. On that day he must consecrate his head again.

**Numbers 6:12**

<sup>12</sup> He must rededicate his time of separation to the LORD and bring a year-old male lamb as a guilt offering. But the preceding days shall not be counted, because his separation was defiled.

**Numbers 6:13**

<sup>13</sup> Now this is the law of the Nazirite when his time of separation is complete: He must be brought to the entrance to the Tent of Meeting,

**Numbers 6:14**

<sup>14</sup> and he is to present an offering to the LORD of an unblemished year-old male lamb as a burnt offering, an unblemished year-old female lamb as a sin offering, and an unblemished ram as a peace offering—

**Numbers 6:15**

<sup>15</sup> together with their grain offerings and drink offerings—and a basket of unleavened cakes made from fine flour mixed with oil and unleavened wafers coated with oil.

**Numbers 6:16**

<sup>16</sup> The priest is to present all these before the LORD and make the sin offering and the burnt offering.

**Numbers 6:17**

<sup>17</sup> He shall also offer the ram as a peace offering to the LORD, along with the basket of unleavened bread. And the priest is to offer the accompanying grain offering and drink offering.

**Numbers 6:18**

<sup>18</sup> Then at the entrance to the Tent of Meeting, the Nazirite is to shave his consecrated head, take the hair, and put it on the fire under the peace offering.

**Numbers 6:19**

<sup>19</sup> And the priest is to take the boiled shoulder from the ram, one unleavened cake from the basket, and one unleavened wafer, and put them into the hands of the Nazirite who has just shaved the hair of his consecration.

**Numbers 6:20**

<sup>20</sup> The priest shall then wave them as a wave offering before the LORD. This is a holy portion for the priest, in addition to the breast of the wave offering and the thigh that was presented. After that, the Nazirite may drink wine.

**Numbers 6:21**

<sup>21</sup> This is the law of the Nazirite who vows his offering to the LORD for his separation, in addition to whatever else he can afford; he must fulfill whatever vow he makes, according to the law of his separation."

**Numbers 6:22**

<sup>22</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses,

**Numbers 6:23**

<sup>23</sup> "Tell Aaron and his sons: This is how you are to bless the Israelites. Say to them:

**Numbers 6:24**

<sup>24</sup> 'May the LORD bless you and keep you;

**Numbers 6:25**

<sup>25</sup> may the LORD cause His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;

**Numbers 6:26**

<sup>26</sup> may the LORD lift up His countenance toward you and give you peace.'

**Numbers 6:27**

<sup>27</sup> So they shall put My name on the Israelites, and I will bless them."

**Numbers 7:1**

<sup>1</sup> On the day Moses finished setting up the tabernacle, he anointed and consecrated it and all its furnishings, along with the altar and all its utensils.

**Numbers 7:2**

<sup>2</sup> And the leaders of Israel, the heads of their families, presented an offering. These men were the tribal leaders who had supervised the registration.

**Numbers 7:3**

<sup>3</sup> They brought as their offering before the LORD six covered carts and twelve oxen—an ox from each leader and a cart from every two leaders—and presented them before the tabernacle.

**Numbers 7:4**

<sup>4</sup> And the LORD said to Moses,

**Numbers 7:5**

<sup>5</sup> "Accept these gifts from them, that they may be used in the work of the Tent of Meeting. And give them to the Levites, to each man according to his service."

**Numbers 7:6**

<sup>6</sup> So Moses took the carts and oxen and gave them to the Levites.

**Numbers 7:7**

<sup>7</sup> He gave the Gershonites two carts and four oxen, as their service required,

**Numbers 7:8**

<sup>8</sup> and he gave the Merarites four carts and eight oxen, as their service required, all under the direction of Ithamar son of Aaron the priest.

**Numbers 7:9**

<sup>9</sup> But he did not give any to the Kohathites, since they were to carry on their shoulders the holy objects for which they were responsible.

**Numbers 7:10**

<sup>10</sup> When the altar was anointed, the leaders approached with their offerings for its dedication and presented them before the altar.

**Numbers 7:11**

<sup>11</sup> And the LORD said to Moses, "Each day one leader is to present his offering for the dedication of the altar."

**Numbers 7:12**

<sup>12</sup> On the first day Nahshon son of Amminadab from the tribe of Judah drew near with his offering.

**Numbers 7:13**

<sup>13</sup> His offering was one silver platter weighing a hundred and thirty shekels, and one silver bowl weighing seventy shekels, both according to the sanctuary shekel and filled with fine flour mixed with oil for a grain offering;

**Numbers 7:14**

<sup>14</sup> one gold dish weighing ten shekels, filled with incense;

**Numbers 7:15**

<sup>15</sup> one young bull, one ram, and one male lamb a year old for a burnt offering;

**Numbers 7:16**

<sup>16</sup> one male goat for a sin offering;

**Numbers 7:17**

<sup>17</sup> and a peace offering of two oxen, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs a year old. This was the offering of Nahshon son of Amminadab.

**Numbers 7:18**

<sup>18</sup> On the second day Nethanel son of Zuar, the leader of Issachar, drew near.

**Numbers 7:19**

<sup>19</sup> The offering he presented was one silver platter weighing a hundred and thirty shekels, and one silver bowl weighing seventy shekels, both according to the sanctuary shekel and filled with fine flour mixed with oil for a grain offering;

**Numbers 7:20**

<sup>20</sup> one gold dish weighing ten shekels, filled with incense;

**Numbers 7:21**

<sup>21</sup> one young bull, one ram, and one male lamb a year old for a burnt offering;

**Numbers 7:22**

<sup>22</sup> one male goat for a sin offering;

**Numbers 7:23**

<sup>23</sup> and a peace offering of two oxen, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs a year old. This was the offering of Nethanel son of Zuar.

**Numbers 7:24**

<sup>24</sup> On the third day Eliab son of Helon, the leader of the Zebulunites, drew near.

**Numbers 7:25**

<sup>25</sup> His offering was one silver platter weighing a hundred and thirty shekels, and one silver bowl weighing seventy shekels, both according to the sanctuary shekel and filled with fine flour mixed with oil for a grain offering;

**Numbers 7:26**

<sup>26</sup> one gold dish weighing ten shekels, filled with incense;

**Numbers 7:27**

<sup>27</sup> one young bull, one ram, and one male lamb a year old for a burnt offering;

**Numbers 7:28**

<sup>28</sup> one male goat for a sin offering;

**Numbers 7:29**

<sup>29</sup> and a peace offering of two oxen, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs a year old. This was the offering of Eliab son of Helon.

**Numbers 7:30**

<sup>30</sup> On the fourth day Elizur son of Shedeur, the leader of the Reubenites, drew near.

**Numbers 7:31**

<sup>31</sup> His offering was one silver platter weighing a hundred and thirty shekels, and one silver bowl weighing seventy shekels, both according to the sanctuary shekel and filled with fine flour mixed with oil for a grain offering;

**Numbers 7:32**

<sup>32</sup> one gold dish weighing ten shekels, filled with incense;

**Numbers 7:33**

<sup>33</sup> one young bull, one ram, and one male lamb a year old for a burnt offering;

**Numbers 7:34**

<sup>34</sup> one male goat for a sin offering;

**Numbers 7:35**

<sup>35</sup> and a peace offering of two oxen, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs a year old. This was the offering of Elizur son of Shedeur.

**Numbers 7:36**

<sup>36</sup> On the fifth day Shelumiel son of Zurishaddai, the leader of the Simeonites, drew near.

**Numbers 7:37**

<sup>37</sup> His offering was one silver platter weighing a hundred and thirty shekels, and one silver bowl weighing seventy shekels, both according to the sanctuary shekel and filled with fine flour mixed with oil for a grain offering;

**Numbers 7:38**

<sup>38</sup> one gold dish weighing ten shekels, filled with incense;

**Numbers 7:39**

<sup>39</sup> one young bull, one ram, and one male lamb a year old for a burnt offering;

**Numbers 7:40**

<sup>40</sup> one male goat for a sin offering;

**Numbers 7:41**

<sup>41</sup> and a peace offering of two oxen, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs a year old. This was the offering of Shelumiel son of Zurishaddai.

**Numbers 7:42**

<sup>42</sup> On the sixth day Eliasaph son of Deuel, the leader of the Gadites, drew near.

**Numbers 7:43**

<sup>43</sup> His offering was one silver platter weighing a hundred and thirty shekels, and one silver bowl weighing seventy shekels, both according to the sanctuary shekel and filled with fine flour mixed with oil for a grain offering;

**Numbers 7:44**

<sup>44</sup> one gold dish weighing ten shekels, filled with incense;

**Numbers 7:45**

<sup>45</sup> one young bull, one ram, and one male lamb a year old for a burnt offering;

**Numbers 7:46**

<sup>46</sup> one male goat for a sin offering;

**Numbers 7:47**

<sup>47</sup> and a peace offering of two oxen, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs a year old. This was the offering of Eliasaph son of Deuel.

**Numbers 7:48**

<sup>48</sup> On the seventh day Elishama son of Ammihud, the leader of the Ephraimites, drew near.

**Numbers 7:49**

<sup>49</sup> His offering was one silver platter weighing a hundred and thirty shekels, and one silver bowl weighing seventy shekels, both according to the sanctuary shekel and filled with fine flour mixed with oil for a grain offering;

**Numbers 7:50**

<sup>50</sup> one gold dish weighing ten shekels, filled with incense;

**Numbers 7:51**

<sup>51</sup> one young bull, one ram, and one male lamb a year old for a burnt offering;

**Numbers 7:52**

<sup>52</sup> one male goat for a sin offering;

**Numbers 7:53**

<sup>53</sup> and a peace offering of two oxen, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs a year old. This was the offering of Elishama son of Ammihud.

**Numbers 7:54**

<sup>54</sup> On the eighth day Gamaliel son of Pedahzur, the leader of the Manassites, drew near.

**Numbers 7:55**

<sup>55</sup> His offering was one silver platter weighing a hundred and thirty shekels, and one silver bowl weighing seventy shekels, both according to the sanctuary shekel and filled with fine flour mixed with oil for a grain offering;

**Numbers 7:56**

<sup>56</sup> one gold dish weighing ten shekels, filled with incense;

**Numbers 7:57**

<sup>57</sup> one young bull, one ram, and one male lamb a year old for a burnt offering;

**Numbers 7:58**

<sup>58</sup> one male goat for a sin offering;

**Numbers 7:59**

<sup>59</sup> and a peace offering of two oxen, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs a year old. This was the offering of Gamaliel son of Pedahzur.

**Numbers 7:60**

<sup>60</sup> On the ninth day Abidan son of Gideoni, the leader of the Benjamites, drew near.

**Numbers 7:61**

<sup>61</sup> His offering was one silver platter weighing a hundred and thirty shekels, and one silver bowl weighing seventy shekels, both according to the sanctuary shekel and filled with fine flour mixed with oil for a grain offering;

**Numbers 7:62**

<sup>62</sup> one gold dish weighing ten shekels, filled with incense;

**Numbers 7:63**

<sup>63</sup> one young bull, one ram, and one male lamb a year old for a burnt offering;

**Numbers 7:64**

<sup>64</sup> one male goat for a sin offering;

**Numbers 7:65**

<sup>65</sup> and a peace offering of two oxen, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs a year old. This was the offering of Abidan son of Gideoni.

**Numbers 7:66**

<sup>66</sup> On the tenth day Ahiezer son of Ammishaddai, the leader of the Danites, drew near.

**Numbers 7:67**

<sup>67</sup> His offering was one silver platter weighing a hundred and thirty shekels, and one silver bowl weighing seventy shekels, both according to the sanctuary shekel and filled with fine flour mixed with oil for a grain offering;

**Numbers 7:68**

<sup>68</sup> one gold dish weighing ten shekels, filled with incense;

**Numbers 7:69**

<sup>69</sup> one young bull, one ram, and one male lamb a year old for a burnt offering;

**Numbers 7:70**

<sup>70</sup> one male goat for a sin offering;

**Numbers 7:71**

<sup>71</sup> and a peace offering of two oxen, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs a year old. This was the offering of Ahiezer son of Ammishaddai.

**Numbers 7:72**

<sup>72</sup> On the eleventh day Pagiel son of Ocran, the leader of the Asherites, drew near.

**Numbers 7:73**

<sup>73</sup> His offering was one silver platter weighing a hundred and thirty shekels, and one silver bowl weighing seventy shekels, both according to the sanctuary shekel and filled with fine flour mixed with oil for a grain offering;

**Numbers 7:74**

<sup>74</sup> one gold dish weighing ten shekels, filled with incense;

**Numbers 7:75**

<sup>75</sup> one young bull, one ram, and one male lamb a year old for a burnt offering;

**Numbers 7:76**

<sup>76</sup> one male goat for a sin offering;

## Numbers 7:77

<sup>77</sup> and a peace offering of two oxen, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs a year old. This was the offering of Pagiel son of Ocran.

## Numbers 7:78

<sup>78</sup> On the twelfth day Ahira son of Enan, the leader of the Naphtalites, drew near.

## Numbers 7:79

<sup>79</sup> His offering was one silver platter weighing a hundred and thirty shekels, and one silver bowl weighing seventy shekels, both according to the sanctuary shekel and filled with fine flour mixed with oil for a grain offering;

## Numbers 7:80

<sup>80</sup> one gold dish weighing ten shekels, filled with incense;

## Numbers 7:81

<sup>81</sup> one young bull, one ram, and one male lamb a year old for a burnt offering;

## Numbers 7:82

<sup>82</sup> one male goat for a sin offering;

## Numbers 7:83

<sup>83</sup> and a peace offering of two oxen, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs a year old. This was the offering of Ahira son of Enan.

## Numbers 7:84

<sup>84</sup> So these were the offerings from the leaders of Israel for the dedication of the altar when it was anointed: twelve silver platters, twelve silver bowls, and twelve gold dishes.

## Numbers 7:85

<sup>85</sup> Each silver platter weighed a hundred and thirty shekels, and each silver bowl seventy shekels. The total weight of the silver articles was two thousand four hundred shekels, according to the sanctuary shekel.

## Numbers 7:86

<sup>86</sup> The twelve gold dishes filled with incense weighed ten shekels each, according to the sanctuary shekel. The total weight of the gold dishes was a hundred and twenty shekels.

## Numbers 7:87

<sup>87</sup> All the livestock for the burnt offering totaled twelve bulls, twelve rams, and twelve male lambs a year old—together with their grain offerings—and twelve male goats for the sin offering.

## Numbers 7:88

<sup>88</sup> All the livestock sacrificed for the peace offering totaled twenty-four bulls, sixty rams, sixty male goats, and sixty male lambs a year old. This was the dedication offering for the altar after it was anointed.

## Numbers 7:89

<sup>89</sup> When Moses entered the Tent of Meeting to speak with the LORD, he heard the voice speaking to him from between the two cherubim above the mercy seat on the ark of the Testimony. Thus the LORD spoke to him.

## Numbers 8:1

<sup>1</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses,

## Numbers 8:2

<sup>2</sup> “Speak to Aaron and tell him: ‘When you set up the seven lamps, they are to light the area in front of the lampstand.’”

**Numbers 8:3**

<sup>3</sup> And Aaron did so; he set up the lamps facing toward the front of the lampstand, just as the LORD had commanded Moses.

**Numbers 8:4**

<sup>4</sup> This is how the lampstand was constructed: it was made of hammered gold from its base to its blossoms, fashioned according to the pattern the LORD had shown Moses.

**Numbers 8:5**

<sup>5</sup> Again the LORD spoke to Moses, saying,

**Numbers 8:6**

<sup>6</sup> "Take the Levites from among the Israelites and make them ceremonially clean.

**Numbers 8:7**

<sup>7</sup> This is what you must do to cleanse them: Sprinkle them with the water of purification. Have them shave their whole bodies and wash their clothes, and so purify themselves.

**Numbers 8:8**

<sup>8</sup> Then have them take a young bull with its grain offering of fine flour mixed with oil, and you are to take a second young bull for a sin offering.

**Numbers 8:9**

<sup>9</sup> Bring the Levites before the Tent of Meeting and assemble the whole congregation of Israel.

**Numbers 8:10**

<sup>10</sup> You are to present the Levites before the LORD and have the Israelites lay their hands upon them.

**Numbers 8:11**

<sup>11</sup> Aaron is to present the Levites before the LORD as a wave offering from the sons of Israel, so that they may perform the service of the LORD.

**Numbers 8:12**

<sup>12</sup> And the Levites are to lay their hands on the heads of the bulls, and offer to the LORD one as a sin offering and the other as a burnt offering, to make atonement for the Levites.

**Numbers 8:13**

<sup>13</sup> You are to have the Levites stand before Aaron and his sons and then present them before the LORD as a wave offering.

**Numbers 8:14**

<sup>14</sup> In this way you shall separate the Levites from the rest of the Israelites, and the Levites will belong to Me.

**Numbers 8:15**

<sup>15</sup> After you have cleansed them and presented them as a wave offering, they may come to serve at the Tent of Meeting.

**Numbers 8:16**

<sup>16</sup> For the Levites have been wholly given to Me from among the sons of Israel. I have taken them for Myself in place of all who come first from the womb, the firstborn of all the sons of Israel.

**Numbers 8:17**

<sup>17</sup> For every firstborn male in Israel is Mine, both man and beast. I set them apart for Myself on the day I struck down all the firstborn in the land of Egypt.



**Numbers 8:18**

<sup>18</sup> But I have taken the Levites in place of all the firstborn among the sons of Israel.

**Numbers 8:19**

<sup>19</sup> And I have given the Levites as a gift to Aaron and his sons from among the Israelites, to perform the service for the Israelites at the Tent of Meeting and to make atonement on their behalf, so that no plague will come against the Israelites when they approach the sanctuary."

**Numbers 8:20**

<sup>20</sup> So Moses, Aaron, and the whole congregation of Israel did with the Levites everything that the LORD had commanded Moses they should do.

**Numbers 8:21**

<sup>21</sup> The Levites purified themselves and washed their clothes, and Aaron presented them as a wave offering before the LORD. Aaron also made atonement for them to cleanse them.

**Numbers 8:22**

<sup>22</sup> After that, the Levites came to perform their service at the Tent of Meeting in the presence of Aaron and his sons. Thus they did with the Levites just as the LORD had commanded Moses.

**Numbers 8:23**

<sup>23</sup> And the LORD said to Moses,

**Numbers 8:24**

<sup>24</sup> "This applies to the Levites: Men twenty-five years of age or older shall enter to perform the service in the work at the Tent of Meeting.

**Numbers 8:25**

<sup>25</sup> But at the age of fifty, they must retire from performing the work and no longer serve.

**Numbers 8:26**

<sup>26</sup> After that, they may assist their brothers in fulfilling their duties at the Tent of Meeting, but they themselves are not to do the work. This is how you are to assign responsibilities to the Levites."

**Numbers 9:1**

<sup>1</sup> In the first month of the second year after Israel had come out of the land of Egypt, the LORD spoke to Moses in the Wilderness of Sinai:

**Numbers 9:2**

<sup>2</sup> "The Israelites are to observe the Passover at its appointed time.

**Numbers 9:3**

<sup>3</sup> You are to observe it at the appointed time, at twilight on the fourteenth day of this month, in accordance with its statutes and ordinances."

**Numbers 9:4**

<sup>4</sup> So Moses told the Israelites to observe the Passover,

**Numbers 9:5**

<sup>5</sup> and they did so in the Wilderness of Sinai, at twilight on the fourteenth day of the first month. The Israelites did everything just as the LORD had commanded Moses.

**Numbers 9:6**

<sup>6</sup> But there were some men who were unclean due to a dead body, so they could not observe the

Passover on that day. And they came before Moses and Aaron that same day

### Numbers 9:7

<sup>7</sup> and said to Moses, "We are unclean because of a dead body, but why should we be excluded from presenting the LORD's offering with the other Israelites at the appointed time?"

### Numbers 9:8

<sup>8</sup> "Wait here until I find out what the LORD commands concerning you," Moses replied.

### Numbers 9:9

<sup>9</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses,

### Numbers 9:10

<sup>10</sup> "Tell the Israelites: 'When any one of you or your descendants is unclean because of a dead body, or is away on a journey, he may still observe the Passover to the LORD.

### Numbers 9:11

<sup>11</sup> Such people are to observe it at twilight on the fourteenth day of the second month. They are to eat the lamb, together with unleavened bread and bitter herbs;

### Numbers 9:12

<sup>12</sup> they may not leave any of it until morning or break any of its bones. They must observe the Passover according to all its statutes.

### Numbers 9:13

<sup>13</sup> But if a man who is ceremonially clean and is not on a journey still fails to observe the Passover, he must be cut off from his people, because he did not present the LORD's offering at its appointed time. That man will bear the consequences of his sin.

### Numbers 9:14

<sup>14</sup> If a foreigner dwelling among you wants to observe the Passover to the LORD, he is to do so according to the Passover statute and its ordinances. You are to apply the same statute to both the foreigner and the native of the land."

### Numbers 9:15

<sup>15</sup> On the day that the tabernacle, the Tent of the Testimony, was set up, the cloud covered it and appeared like fire above the tabernacle from evening until morning.

### Numbers 9:16

<sup>16</sup> It remained that way continually; the cloud would cover the tabernacle by day, and at night it would appear like fire.

### Numbers 9:17

<sup>17</sup> Whenever the cloud was lifted from above the Tent, the Israelites would set out, and wherever the cloud settled, there the Israelites would camp.

### Numbers 9:18

<sup>18</sup> At the LORD's command the Israelites set out, and at the LORD's command they camped. As long as the cloud remained over the tabernacle, they remained encamped.

### Numbers 9:19

<sup>19</sup> Even when the cloud lingered over the tabernacle for many days, the Israelites kept the LORD's charge and did not set out.

### Numbers 9:20

<sup>20</sup> Sometimes the cloud remained over the tabernacle for only a few days, and they would camp at the LORD's command and set out at the LORD's command.

**Numbers 9:21**

<sup>21</sup> Sometimes the cloud remained only from evening until morning, and when it lifted in the morning, they would set out. Whether it was by day or by night, when the cloud was taken up, they would set out.

**Numbers 9:22**

<sup>22</sup> Whether the cloud lingered for two days, a month, or longer, the Israelites camped and did not set out as long as the cloud remained over the tabernacle; but when it was lifted, they would set out.

**Numbers 9:23**

<sup>23</sup> They camped at the LORD's command, and they set out at the LORD's command; they carried out the LORD's charge according to His command through Moses.

**Numbers 10:1**

<sup>1</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses,

**Numbers 10:2**

<sup>2</sup> "Make two trumpets of hammered silver to be used for calling the congregation and for having the camps set out.

**Numbers 10:3**

<sup>3</sup> When both are sounded, the whole congregation is to assemble before you at the entrance to the Tent of Meeting.

**Numbers 10:4**

<sup>4</sup> But if only one is sounded, then the leaders, the heads of the clans of Israel, are to gather before you.

**Numbers 10:5**

<sup>5</sup> When you sound short blasts, the camps that lie on the east side are to set out.

**Numbers 10:6**

<sup>6</sup> When you sound the short blasts a second time, the camps that lie on the south side are to set out. The blasts are to signal them to set out.

**Numbers 10:7**

<sup>7</sup> To convene the assembly, you are to sound long blasts, not short ones.

**Numbers 10:8**

<sup>8</sup> The sons of Aaron, the priests, are to sound the trumpets. This shall be a permanent statute for you and the generations to come.

**Numbers 10:9**

<sup>9</sup> When you enter into battle in your land against an adversary who attacks you, sound short blasts on the trumpets, and you will be remembered before the LORD your God and saved from your enemies.

**Numbers 10:10**

<sup>10</sup> And on your joyous occasions, your appointed feasts, and the beginning of each month, you are to blow the trumpets over your burnt offerings and peace offerings to serve as a reminder for you before your God. I am the LORD your God."

**Numbers 10:11**

<sup>11</sup> On the twentieth day of the second month of the second year, the cloud was lifted from above the tabernacle of the Testimony,

**Numbers 10:12**

<sup>12</sup> and the Israelites set out from the Wilderness of Sinai, traveling from place to place until the cloud settled in the Wilderness of Paran.

**Numbers 10:13**

<sup>13</sup> They set out this first time according to the LORD's command through Moses.

**Numbers 10:14**

<sup>14</sup> First, the divisions of the camp of Judah set out under their standard, with Nahshon son of Amminadab in command.

**Numbers 10:15**

<sup>15</sup> Nethanel son of Zuar was over the division of the tribe of Issachar,

**Numbers 10:16**

<sup>16</sup> and Eliab son of Helon was over the division of the tribe of Zebulun.

**Numbers 10:17**

<sup>17</sup> Then the tabernacle was taken down, and the Gershonites and the Merarites set out, transporting it.

**Numbers 10:18**

<sup>18</sup> Then the divisions of the camp of Reuben set out under their standard, with Elizur son of Shedeur in command.

**Numbers 10:19**

<sup>19</sup> Shelumiel son of Zurishaddai was over the division of the tribe of Simeon,

**Numbers 10:20**

<sup>20</sup> and Eliasaph son of Deuel was over the division of the tribe of Gad.

**Numbers 10:21**

<sup>21</sup> Then the Kohathites set out, transporting the holy objects; the tabernacle was to be set up before their arrival.

**Numbers 10:22**

<sup>22</sup> Next, the divisions of the camp of Ephraim set out under their standard, with Elishama son of Ammihud in command.

**Numbers 10:23**

<sup>23</sup> Gamaliel son of Pedahzur was over the division of the tribe of Manasseh,

**Numbers 10:24**

<sup>24</sup> and Abidan son of Gideoni was over the division of the tribe of Benjamin.

**Numbers 10:25**

<sup>25</sup> Finally, the divisions of the camp of Dan set out under their standard, serving as the rear guard for all units, with Ahiezer son of Ammishaddai in command.

**Numbers 10:26**

<sup>26</sup> Pagiel son of Ocran was over the division of the tribe of Asher,

**Numbers 10:27**

<sup>27</sup> and Ahira son of Enan was over the division of the tribe of Naphtali.

**Numbers 10:28**

<sup>28</sup> This was the order of march for the Israelite divisions as they set out.

**Numbers 10:29**

<sup>29</sup> Then Moses said to Hobab, the son of Moses' father-in-law Reuel the Midianite, "We are setting out for the place of which the LORD said: 'I will give it to you.' Come with us, and we will treat you well, for the LORD has promised good things to Israel."

**Numbers 10:30**

<sup>30</sup> "I will not go," Hobab replied. "Instead, I am going back to my own land and my own people."

**Numbers 10:31**

<sup>31</sup> "Please do not leave us," Moses said, "since you know where we should camp in the wilderness, and you can serve as our eyes."

**Numbers 10:32**

<sup>32</sup> If you come with us, we will share with you whatever good things the LORD gives us."

**Numbers 10:33**

<sup>33</sup> So they set out on a three-day journey from the mountain of the LORD, with the ark of the covenant of the LORD traveling ahead of them for those three days to seek a resting place for them.

**Numbers 10:34**

<sup>34</sup> And the cloud of the LORD was over them by day when they set out from the camp.

**Numbers 10:35**

<sup>35</sup> Whenever the ark set out, Moses would say, "Rise up, O LORD! May Your enemies be scattered; may those who hate You flee before You."

**Numbers 10:36**

<sup>36</sup> And when it came to rest, he would say: "Return, O LORD, to the countless thousands of Israel."

**Numbers 11:1**

<sup>1</sup> Soon the people began to complain about their hardship in the hearing of the LORD, and when He heard them, His anger was kindled, and fire from the LORD blazed among them and consumed the outskirts of the camp.

**Numbers 11:2**

<sup>2</sup> And the people cried out to Moses, and he prayed to the LORD, and the fire died down.

**Numbers 11:3**

<sup>3</sup> So that place was called Taberah, because the fire of the LORD had burned among them.

**Numbers 11:4**

<sup>4</sup> Meanwhile, the rabble among them had a strong craving for other food, and again the Israelites wept and said, "Who will feed us meat?"

**Numbers 11:5**

<sup>5</sup> We remember the fish we ate freely in Egypt, along with the cucumbers, melons, leeks, onions, and garlic.

**Numbers 11:6**

<sup>6</sup> But now our appetite is gone; there is nothing to see but this manna!"

**Numbers 11:7**

<sup>7</sup> Now the manna resembled coriander seed, and its appearance was like that of gum resin.

**Numbers 11:8**

<sup>8</sup> The people walked around and gathered it, ground it on a handmill or crushed it in a mortar, then boiled it in a cooking pot or shaped it into cakes. It tasted like pastry baked with fine oil.

**Numbers 11:9**

<sup>9</sup> When the dew fell on the camp at night, the manna would fall with it.

**Numbers 11:10**

<sup>10</sup> Then Moses heard the people of family after family weeping at the entrances to their tents, and the anger of the LORD was kindled greatly, and Moses was also displeased.

**Numbers 11:11**

<sup>11</sup> So Moses asked the LORD, "Why have You brought this trouble on Your servant? Why have I not found favor in Your sight, that You have laid upon me the burden of all these people?"

**Numbers 11:12**

<sup>12</sup> Did I conceive all these people? Did I give them birth, so that You should tell me, 'Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries an infant,' to the land that You swore to give their fathers?"

**Numbers 11:13**

<sup>13</sup> Where can I get meat for all these people? For they keep crying out to me, 'Give us meat to eat!'

**Numbers 11:14**

<sup>14</sup> I cannot carry all these people by myself; it is too burdensome for me.

**Numbers 11:15**

<sup>15</sup> If this is how You are going to treat me, please kill me right now—if I have found favor in Your eyes—and let me not see my own wretchedness."

**Numbers 11:16**

<sup>16</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses, "Bring Me seventy of the elders of Israel known to you as leaders and officers of the people. Bring them to the Tent of Meeting and have them stand there with you.

**Numbers 11:17**

<sup>17</sup> And I will come down and speak with you there, and I will take some of the Spirit that is on you and put that Spirit on them. They will help you bear the burden of the people, so that you do not have to bear it by yourself.

**Numbers 11:18**

<sup>18</sup> And say to the people: Consecrate yourselves for tomorrow, and you will eat meat, because you have cried out in the hearing of the LORD, saying: 'Who will feed us meat? For we were better off in Egypt!' Therefore the LORD will give you meat, and you will eat.

**Numbers 11:19**

<sup>19</sup> You will eat it not for one or two days, nor for five or ten or twenty days,

**Numbers 11:20**

<sup>20</sup> but for a whole month—until it comes out of your nostrils and makes you nauseous—because you have rejected the LORD, who is among you, and have cried out before Him, saying, 'Why did we ever leave Egypt?'"

**Numbers 11:21**

<sup>21</sup> But Moses replied, "Here I am among 600,000 men on foot, yet You say, 'I will give them meat, and they will eat for a month.'"

**Numbers 11:22**

<sup>22</sup> If all our flocks and herds were slaughtered for them, would they have enough? Or if all the fish in the sea were caught for them, would they have enough?"

**Numbers 11:23**

<sup>23</sup> The LORD answered Moses, "Is the LORD's arm too short? Now you will see whether or not My word will come to pass."

**Numbers 11:24**

<sup>24</sup> So Moses went out and relayed to the people the words of the LORD, and he gathered seventy of the elders of the people and had them stand around the tent.

**Numbers 11:25**

<sup>25</sup> Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and He took some of the Spirit that was on Moses and placed that Spirit on the seventy elders. As the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied—but they never did so again.

**Numbers 11:26**

<sup>26</sup> Two men, however, had remained in the camp—one named Eldad and the other Medad—and the Spirit rested on them. They were among those listed, but they had not gone out to the tent, and they prophesied in the camp.

**Numbers 11:27**

<sup>27</sup> A young man ran and reported to Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp."

**Numbers 11:28**

<sup>28</sup> Joshua son of Nun, the attendant to Moses since youth, spoke up and said, "Moses, my lord, stop them!"

**Numbers 11:29**

<sup>29</sup> But Moses replied, "Are you jealous on my account? I wish that all the LORD's people were prophets and that the LORD would place His Spirit on them!"

**Numbers 11:30**

<sup>30</sup> Then Moses returned to the camp, along with the elders of Israel.

**Numbers 11:31**

<sup>31</sup> Now a wind sent by the LORD came up, drove in quail from the sea, and brought them near the camp, about two cubits above the surface of the ground, for a day's journey in every direction around the camp.

**Numbers 11:32**

<sup>32</sup> All that day and night, and all the next day, the people stayed up gathering the quail. No one gathered less than ten homers, and they spread them out all around the camp.

**Numbers 11:33**

<sup>33</sup> But while the meat was still between their teeth, before it was chewed, the anger of the LORD burned against the people, and the LORD struck them with a severe plague.

**Numbers 11:34**

<sup>34</sup> So they called that place Kibroth-hattaavah, because there they buried the people who had craved other food.

**Numbers 11:35**

<sup>35</sup> From Kibroth-hattaavah the people moved on to Hazeroth, where they remained for some time.

**Numbers 12:1**

<sup>1</sup> Then Miriam and Aaron criticized Moses because of the Cushite woman he had married, for he had taken a Cushite wife.

**Numbers 12:2**

<sup>2</sup> “Does the LORD speak only through Moses?” they said. “Does He not also speak through us?” And the LORD heard this.

**Numbers 12:3**

<sup>3</sup> Now Moses was a very humble man, more so than any man on the face of the earth.

**Numbers 12:4**

<sup>4</sup> And suddenly the LORD said to Moses, Aaron, and Miriam, “You three, come out to the Tent of Meeting.” So the three went out,

**Numbers 12:5**

<sup>5</sup> and the LORD came down in a pillar of cloud, stood at the entrance to the Tent, and summoned Aaron and Miriam. When both of them had stepped forward,

**Numbers 12:6**

<sup>6</sup> He said, “Hear now My words: If there is a prophet among you, I, the LORD, will reveal Myself to him in a vision; I will speak to him in a dream.

**Numbers 12:7**

<sup>7</sup> But this is not so with My servant Moses; he is faithful in all My house.

**Numbers 12:8**

<sup>8</sup> I speak with him face to face, clearly and not in riddles; he sees the form of the LORD. Why then

were you unafraid to speak against My servant Moses?”

**Numbers 12:9**

<sup>9</sup> So the anger of the LORD burned against them, and He departed.

**Numbers 12:10**

<sup>10</sup> As the cloud lifted from above the Tent, suddenly Miriam became leprous, white as snow. Aaron turned toward her, saw that she was leprous,

**Numbers 12:11**

<sup>11</sup> and said to Moses, “My lord, please do not hold against us this sin we have so foolishly committed.

**Numbers 12:12**

<sup>12</sup> Please do not let her be like a stillborn infant whose flesh is half consumed when he comes out of his mother’s womb.”

**Numbers 12:13**

<sup>13</sup> So Moses cried out to the LORD, “O God, please heal her!”

**Numbers 12:14**

<sup>14</sup> But the LORD answered Moses, “If her father had but spit in her face, would she not have been in disgrace for seven days? Let her be confined outside the camp for seven days; after that she may be brought back in.”

**Numbers 12:15**

<sup>15</sup> So Miriam was confined outside the camp for seven days, and the people did not move on until she was brought in again.



**Numbers 12:16**

<sup>16</sup> After that, the people set out from Hazeroth and camped in the Wilderness of Paran.

**Numbers 13:1**

<sup>1</sup> And the LORD said to Moses,

**Numbers 13:2**

<sup>2</sup> “Send out for yourself men to spy out the land of Canaan, which I am giving to the Israelites. From each of their fathers’ tribes send one man who is a leader among them.”

**Numbers 13:3**

<sup>3</sup> So at the command of the LORD, Moses sent them out from the Wilderness of Paran. All the men were leaders of the Israelites,

**Numbers 13:4**

<sup>4</sup> and these were their names: From the tribe of Reuben, Shammua son of Zaccur;

**Numbers 13:5**

<sup>5</sup> from the tribe of Simeon, Shaphat son of Hori;

**Numbers 13:6**

<sup>6</sup> from the tribe of Judah, Caleb son of Jephunneh;

**Numbers 13:7**

<sup>7</sup> from the tribe of Issachar, Igal son of Joseph;

**Numbers 13:8**

<sup>8</sup> from the tribe of Ephraim, Hoshea son of Nun;

**Numbers 13:9**

<sup>9</sup> from the tribe of Benjamin, Palti son of Raphu;

**Numbers 13:10**

<sup>10</sup> from the tribe of Zebulun, Gaddiel son of Sodi;

**Numbers 13:11**

<sup>11</sup> from the tribe of Manasseh (a tribe of Joseph), Gaddi son of Susi;

**Numbers 13:12**

<sup>12</sup> from the tribe of Dan, Ammiel son of Gemalli;

**Numbers 13:13**

<sup>13</sup> from the tribe of Asher, Sethur son of Michael;

**Numbers 13:14**

<sup>14</sup> from the tribe of Naphtali, Nahbi son of Vophsi;

**Numbers 13:15**

<sup>15</sup> and from the tribe of Gad, Geuel son of Machi.

**Numbers 13:16**

<sup>16</sup> These were the names of the men Moses sent to spy out the land; and Moses gave to Hoshea son of Nun the name Joshua.

**Numbers 13:17**

<sup>17</sup> When Moses sent them to spy out the land of Canaan, he told them, “Go up through the Negev and into the hill country.

**Numbers 13:18**

<sup>18</sup> See what the land is like and whether its people are strong or weak, few or many.

**Numbers 13:19**

<sup>19</sup> Is the land where they live good or bad? Are the cities where they dwell open camps or fortifications?

**Numbers 13:20**

<sup>20</sup> Is the soil fertile or unproductive? Are there trees in it or not? Be courageous and bring back some of the fruit of the land." (It was the season for the first ripe grapes.)

**Numbers 13:21**

<sup>21</sup> So they went up and spied out the land from the Wilderness of Zin as far as Rehob, toward Lebo-hamath.

**Numbers 13:22**

<sup>22</sup> They went up through the Negev and came to Hebron, where Ahiman, Sheshai, and Talmi, the descendants of Anak, dwelled. It had been built seven years before Zoan in Egypt.

**Numbers 13:23**

<sup>23</sup> When they came to the Valley of Eshcol, they cut down a branch with a single cluster of grapes, which they carried on a pole between two men. They also took some pomegranates and figs.

**Numbers 13:24**

<sup>24</sup> Because of the cluster of grapes the Israelites cut there, that place was called the Valley of Eshcol.

**Numbers 13:25**

<sup>25</sup> After forty days the men returned from spying out the land,

**Numbers 13:26**

<sup>26</sup> and they went back to Moses, Aaron, and the whole congregation of Israel in the Wilderness of Paran at Kadesh. They brought back a report for the whole congregation and showed them the fruit of the land.

**Numbers 13:27**

<sup>27</sup> And they gave this account to Moses: "We went into the land to which you sent us, and indeed, it is flowing with milk and honey. Here is some of its fruit!

**Numbers 13:28**

<sup>28</sup> Nevertheless, the people living in the land are strong, and the cities are large and fortified. We even saw the descendants of Anak there.

**Numbers 13:29**

<sup>29</sup> The Amalekites live in the land of the Negev; the Hittites, Jebusites, and Amorites live in the hill country; and the Canaanites live by the sea and along the Jordan."

**Numbers 13:30**

<sup>30</sup> Then Caleb quieted the people before Moses and said, "We must go up and take possession of the land, for we can certainly conquer it!"

**Numbers 13:31**

<sup>31</sup> But the men who had gone up with him replied, "We cannot go up against the people, for they are stronger than we are!"

**Numbers 13:32**

<sup>32</sup> So they gave the Israelites a bad report about the land that they had spied out: “The land we explored devours its inhabitants, and all the people we saw there are great in stature.

**Numbers 13:33**

<sup>33</sup> We even saw the Nephilim there—the descendants of Anak that come from the Nephilim! We seemed like grasshoppers in our own sight, and we must have seemed the same to them!”

**Numbers 14:1**

<sup>1</sup> Then the whole congregation lifted up their voices and cried out, and that night the people wept.

**Numbers 14:2**

<sup>2</sup> All the Israelites grumbled against Moses and Aaron, and the whole congregation said to them, “If only we had died in the land of Egypt, or if only we had died in this wilderness!

**Numbers 14:3**

<sup>3</sup> Why is the LORD bringing us into this land to fall by the sword? Our wives and children will become plunder. Would it not be better for us to go back to Egypt?”

**Numbers 14:4**

<sup>4</sup> So they said to one another, “Let us appoint a leader and return to Egypt.”

**Numbers 14:5**

<sup>5</sup> Then Moses and Aaron fell facedown before the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel.

**Numbers 14:6**

<sup>6</sup> Joshua son of Nun and Caleb son of Jephunneh, who were among those who had spied out the land, tore their clothes

**Numbers 14:7**

<sup>7</sup> and said to the whole congregation of Israel, “The land we passed through and explored is an exceedingly good land.

**Numbers 14:8**

<sup>8</sup> If the LORD delights in us, He will bring us into this land, a land flowing with milk and honey, and He will give it to us.

**Numbers 14:9**

<sup>9</sup> Only do not rebel against the LORD, and do not be afraid of the people of the land, for they will be like bread for us. Their protection has been removed, and the LORD is with us. Do not be afraid of them!”

**Numbers 14:10**

<sup>10</sup> But the whole congregation threatened to stone Joshua and Caleb. Then the glory of the LORD appeared to all the Israelites at the Tent of Meeting.

**Numbers 14:11**

<sup>11</sup> And the LORD said to Moses, “How long will this people treat Me with contempt? How long will they refuse to believe in Me, despite all the signs I have performed among them?

**Numbers 14:12**

<sup>12</sup> I will strike them with a plague and destroy them—and I will make you into a nation greater and mightier than they are.”

**Numbers 14:13**

<sup>13</sup> But Moses said to the LORD, “The Egyptians will hear of it, for by Your strength You brought this people from among them.

**Numbers 14:14**

<sup>14</sup> And they will tell it to the inhabitants of this land. They have already heard that You, O LORD, are in the midst of this people, that You, O LORD, have been seen face to face, that Your cloud stands over them, and that You go before them in a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night.

**Numbers 14:15**

<sup>15</sup> If You kill this people as one man, the nations who have heard of Your fame will say,

**Numbers 14:16**

<sup>16</sup> ‘Because the LORD was unable to bring this people into the land He swore to give them, He has slaughtered them in the wilderness.’

**Numbers 14:17**

<sup>17</sup> So now I pray, may the power of my Lord be magnified, just as You have declared:

**Numbers 14:18**

<sup>18</sup> ‘The LORD is slow to anger and abounding in loving devotion, forgiving iniquity and transgression. Yet He will by no means leave the guilty unpunished; He will visit the iniquity of the fathers upon their children to the third and fourth generation.’

**Numbers 14:19**

<sup>19</sup> Pardon, I pray, the iniquity of this people, in keeping with the greatness of Your loving devotion, just as You have forgiven them ever since they left Egypt.”

**Numbers 14:20**

<sup>20</sup> “I have pardoned them as you requested,” the LORD replied.

**Numbers 14:21**

<sup>21</sup> “Yet as surely as I live and as surely as the whole earth is filled with the glory of the LORD,

**Numbers 14:22**

<sup>22</sup> not one of the men who have seen My glory and the signs I performed in Egypt and in the wilderness—yet have tested Me and disobeyed Me these ten times—

**Numbers 14:23**

<sup>23</sup> not one will ever see the land that I swore to give their fathers. None of those who have treated Me with contempt will see it.

**Numbers 14:24**

<sup>24</sup> But because My servant Caleb has a different spirit and has followed Me wholeheartedly, I will bring him into the land he has entered, and his descendants will inherit it.

**Numbers 14:25**

<sup>25</sup> Now since the Amalekites and Canaanites are living in the valleys, turn back tomorrow and head for the wilderness along the route to the Red Sea.”

**Numbers 14:26**

<sup>26</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses and Aaron,

**Numbers 14:27**

<sup>27</sup> “How long will this wicked congregation grumble against Me? I have heard the complaints that the Israelites are making against Me.

**Numbers 14:28**

<sup>28</sup> So tell them: As surely as I live, declares the LORD, I will do to you exactly as I heard you say.

**Numbers 14:29**

<sup>29</sup> Your bodies will fall in this wilderness—all who were numbered in the census, everyone twenty years of age or older—because you have grumbled against Me.

**Numbers 14:30**

<sup>30</sup> Surely none of you will enter the land in which I swore to settle you, except Caleb son of Jephunneh and Joshua son of Nun.

**Numbers 14:31**

<sup>31</sup> But I will bring your children, whom you said would become plunder, into the land you have rejected—and they will enjoy it.

**Numbers 14:32**

<sup>32</sup> As for you, however, your bodies will fall in this wilderness.

**Numbers 14:33**

<sup>33</sup> Your children will be shepherds in the wilderness for forty years, and they will suffer for your unfaithfulness until the last of your bodies lies in the wilderness.

**Numbers 14:34**

<sup>34</sup> In keeping with the forty days you spied out the land, you shall bear your guilt forty years—a year for each day—and you will experience My alienation.

**Numbers 14:35**

<sup>35</sup> I, the LORD, have spoken, and I will surely do these things to this entire wicked congregation, which has conspired against Me. They will meet their end in the wilderness, and there they will die.”

**Numbers 14:36**

<sup>36</sup> So the men Moses had sent to spy out the land, who had returned and made the whole congregation grumble against him by bringing out a bad report about the land—

**Numbers 14:37**

<sup>37</sup> those men who had brought out the bad report about the land—were struck down by a plague before the LORD.

**Numbers 14:38**

<sup>38</sup> Of those men who had gone to spy out the land, only Joshua son of Nun and Caleb son of Jephunneh remained alive.

**Numbers 14:39**

<sup>39</sup> And when Moses relayed these words to all the Israelites, the people mourned bitterly.

**Numbers 14:40**

<sup>40</sup> Early the next morning they got up and went up toward the ridge of the hill country. “We have indeed sinned,” they said, “but we will go to the place the LORD has promised.”

**Numbers 14:41**

<sup>41</sup> But Moses said, “Why are you transgressing the commandment of the LORD? This will not succeed!

**Numbers 14:42**

<sup>42</sup> Do not go up, lest you be struck down by your enemies, because the LORD is not among you.

**Numbers 14:43**

<sup>43</sup> For there the Amalekites and Canaanites will face you, and you will fall by the sword. Because you have turned away from the LORD, He will not be with you.”

**Numbers 14:44**

<sup>44</sup> But they dared to go up to the ridge of the hill country, though neither Moses nor the ark of the covenant of the LORD moved from the camp.

**Numbers 14:45**

<sup>45</sup> Then the Amalekites and Canaanites who lived in that part of the hill country came down, attacked them, and routed them all the way to Hormah.

**Numbers 15:1**

<sup>1</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses,

**Numbers 15:2**

<sup>2</sup> “Speak to the Israelites and tell them: After you enter the land that I am giving you as a home

**Numbers 15:3**

<sup>3</sup> and you present a food offering to the LORD from the herd or flock to produce a pleasing aroma to the LORD—either a burnt offering or a sacrifice, for a special vow or freewill offering or appointed feast—

**Numbers 15:4**

<sup>4</sup> then the one presenting his offering to the LORD shall also present a grain offering of a tenth of an

ephah of fine flour mixed with a quarter hin of olive oil.

**Numbers 15:5**

<sup>5</sup> With the burnt offering or sacrifice of each lamb, you are to prepare a quarter hin of wine as a drink offering.

**Numbers 15:6**

<sup>6</sup> With a ram you are to prepare a grain offering of two-tenths of an ephah of fine flour mixed with a third of a hin of olive oil,

**Numbers 15:7**

<sup>7</sup> and a third of a hin of wine as a drink offering, a pleasing aroma to the LORD.

**Numbers 15:8**

<sup>8</sup> When you prepare a young bull as a burnt offering or sacrifice to fulfill a vow or as a peace offering to the LORD,

**Numbers 15:9**

<sup>9</sup> present with the bull a grain offering of three-tenths of an ephah of fine flour mixed with half a hin of olive oil.

**Numbers 15:10**

<sup>10</sup> Also present half a hin of wine as a drink offering. It is a food offering, a pleasing aroma to the LORD.

**Numbers 15:11**

<sup>11</sup> This is to be done for each bull, ram, lamb, or goat.

**Numbers 15:12**

<sup>12</sup> This is how you must prepare each one, no matter how many.

**Numbers 15:13**

<sup>13</sup> Everyone who is native-born shall prepare these things in this way when he presents a food offering as a pleasing aroma to the LORD.

**Numbers 15:14**

<sup>14</sup> And for the generations to come, if a foreigner residing with you or someone else among you wants to prepare a food offering as a pleasing aroma to the LORD, he is to do exactly as you do.

**Numbers 15:15**

<sup>15</sup> The assembly is to have the same statute both for you and for the foreign resident; it is a permanent statute for the generations to come. You and the foreigner shall be the same before the LORD.

**Numbers 15:16**

<sup>16</sup> The same law and the same ordinance will apply both to you and to the foreigner residing with you."

**Numbers 15:17**

<sup>17</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses,

**Numbers 15:18**

<sup>18</sup> "Speak to the Israelites and tell them: When you enter the land to which I am bringing you

**Numbers 15:19**

<sup>19</sup> and you eat the food of the land, you shall lift up an offering to the LORD.

**Numbers 15:20**

<sup>20</sup> From the first of your dough, you are to lift up a cake as a contribution; offer it just like an offering from the threshing floor.

**Numbers 15:21**

<sup>21</sup> Throughout your generations, you are to give the LORD an offering from the first of your dough.

**Numbers 15:22**

<sup>22</sup> Now if you stray unintentionally and do not obey all these commandments that the LORD has spoken to Moses—

**Numbers 15:23**

<sup>23</sup> all that the LORD has commanded you through Moses from the day the LORD gave them and continuing through the generations to come—

**Numbers 15:24**

<sup>24</sup> and if it was done unintentionally without the knowledge of the congregation, then the whole congregation is to prepare one young bull as a burnt offering, a pleasing aroma to the LORD, with its grain offering and drink offering according to the regulation, and one male goat as a sin offering.

**Numbers 15:25**

<sup>25</sup> The priest is to make atonement for the whole congregation of Israel, so that they may be forgiven; for the sin was unintentional and they have brought to the LORD a food offering and a sin offering, presented before the LORD for their unintentional sin.

**Numbers 15:26**

<sup>26</sup> Then the whole congregation of Israel and the foreigners residing among them will be forgiven, since it happened to all the people unintentionally.

**Numbers 15:27**

<sup>27</sup> Also, if one person sins unintentionally, he is to present a year-old female goat as a sin offering.

**Numbers 15:28**

<sup>28</sup> And the priest shall make atonement before the LORD on behalf of the person who erred by sinning unintentionally; and when atonement has been made for him, he will be forgiven.

**Numbers 15:29**

<sup>29</sup> You shall have the same law for the one who acts in error, whether he is a native-born Israelite or a foreigner residing among you.

**Numbers 15:30**

<sup>30</sup> But the person who sins defiantly, whether a native or foreigner, blasphemes the LORD. That person shall be cut off from among his people.

**Numbers 15:31**

<sup>31</sup> He shall certainly be cut off, because he has despised the word of the LORD and broken His commandment; his guilt remains on him."

**Numbers 15:32**

<sup>32</sup> While the Israelites were in the wilderness, a man was found gathering wood on the Sabbath day.

**Numbers 15:33**

<sup>33</sup> Those who found the man gathering wood brought him to Moses, Aaron, and the whole congregation,

**Numbers 15:34**

<sup>34</sup> and because it had not been declared what should be done to him, they placed him in custody.

**Numbers 15:35**

<sup>35</sup> And the LORD said to Moses, "The man must surely be put to death. The whole congregation is to stone him outside the camp."

**Numbers 15:36**

<sup>36</sup> So the whole congregation took the man outside the camp and stoned him to death, as the LORD had commanded Moses.

**Numbers 15:37**

<sup>37</sup> And the LORD said to Moses,

**Numbers 15:38**

<sup>38</sup> "Speak to the Israelites and tell them that throughout the generations to come they are to make for themselves tassels for the corners of their garments, with a blue cord on each tassel.

**Numbers 15:39**

<sup>39</sup> These will serve as tassels for you to look at, so that you may remember all the commandments of the LORD, that you may obey them and not prostitute yourselves by following your own heart and your own eyes.

**Numbers 15:40**

<sup>40</sup> Then you will remember and obey all My commandments, and you will be holy to your God.

**Numbers 15:41**

<sup>41</sup> I am the LORD your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt to be your God. I am the LORD your God."

**Numbers 16:1**

<sup>1</sup> Now Korah son of Izhar, the son of Kohath son of Levi, along with some Reubenites—Dathan and



Abiram, sons of Eliab, and On son of Peleth—conducted

## Numbers 16:2

<sup>2</sup> a rebellion against Moses, along with 250 men of Israel renowned as leaders of the congregation and representatives in the assembly.

## Numbers 16:3

<sup>3</sup> They came together against Moses and Aaron and told them, “You have taken too much upon yourselves! For everyone in the entire congregation is holy, and the LORD is in their midst. Why then do you exalt yourselves above the assembly of the LORD?”

## Numbers 16:4

<sup>4</sup> When Moses heard this, he fell facedown.

## Numbers 16:5

<sup>5</sup> Then he said to Korah and all his followers, “Tomorrow morning the LORD will reveal who belongs to Him and who is holy, and He will bring that person near to Himself. The one He chooses He will bring near to Himself.

## Numbers 16:6

<sup>6</sup> You, Korah, and all your followers are to do as follows: Take censers,

## Numbers 16:7

<sup>7</sup> and tomorrow you are to place fire and incense in them in the presence of the LORD. Then the man the LORD chooses will be the one who is holy. It is you sons of Levi who have taken too much upon yourselves!”

## Numbers 16:8

<sup>8</sup> Moses also said to Korah, “Now listen, you sons of Levi!

## Numbers 16:9

<sup>9</sup> Is it not enough for you that the God of Israel has separated you from the congregation of Israel and brought you near to Himself to perform the work at the LORD’s tabernacle, and to stand before the congregation to minister to them?

## Numbers 16:10

<sup>10</sup> He has brought you near, you and all your fellow Levites, but you are seeking the priesthood as well.

## Numbers 16:11

<sup>11</sup> Therefore, it is you and all your followers who have conspired against the LORD! As for Aaron, who is he that you should grumble against him?”

## Numbers 16:12

<sup>12</sup> Then Moses summoned Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab, but they said, “We will not come!

## Numbers 16:13

<sup>13</sup> Is it not enough that you have brought us up out of a land flowing with milk and honey to kill us in the wilderness? Must you also appoint yourself as ruler over us?

## Numbers 16:14

<sup>14</sup> Moreover, you have not brought us into a land flowing with milk and honey or given us an inheritance of fields and vineyards. Will you gouge out the eyes of these men? No, we will not come!”

**Numbers 16:15**

<sup>15</sup> Then Moses became very angry and said to the LORD, “Do not regard their offering. I have not taken one donkey from them or mistreated a single one of them.”

**Numbers 16:16**

<sup>16</sup> And Moses said to Korah, “You and all your followers are to appear before the LORD tomorrow—you and they and Aaron.

**Numbers 16:17**

<sup>17</sup> Each man is to take his censer, place incense in it, and present it before the LORD—250 censers. You and Aaron are to present your censers as well.”

**Numbers 16:18**

<sup>18</sup> So each man took his censer, put fire and incense in it, and stood with Moses and Aaron at the entrance to the Tent of Meeting.

**Numbers 16:19**

<sup>19</sup> When Korah had gathered his whole assembly against them at the entrance to the Tent of Meeting, the glory of the LORD appeared to the whole congregation.

**Numbers 16:20**

<sup>20</sup> And the LORD said to Moses and Aaron,

**Numbers 16:21**

<sup>21</sup> “Separate yourselves from this congregation so that I may consume them in an instant.”

**Numbers 16:22**

<sup>22</sup> But Moses and Aaron fell facedown and said, “O God, the God of the spirits of all flesh, when one

man sins, will You be angry with the whole congregation?”

**Numbers 16:23**

<sup>23</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses,

**Numbers 16:24**

<sup>24</sup> “Tell the congregation to move away from the dwellings of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram.”

**Numbers 16:25**

<sup>25</sup> So Moses got up and went to Dathan and Abiram, and the elders of Israel followed him.

**Numbers 16:26**

<sup>26</sup> And he warned the congregation, “Move away now from the tents of these wicked men. Do not touch anything that belongs to them, or you will be swept away because of all their sins.”

**Numbers 16:27**

<sup>27</sup> So they moved away from the dwellings of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram. Meanwhile, Dathan and Abiram had come out and stood at the entrances to their tents with their wives and children and infants.

**Numbers 16:28**

<sup>28</sup> Then Moses said, “This is how you will know that the LORD has sent me to do all these things, for it was not my own doing:

**Numbers 16:29**

<sup>29</sup> If these men die a natural death, or if they suffer the fate of all men, then the LORD has not sent me.

**Numbers 16:30**

<sup>30</sup> But if the LORD brings about something unprecedented, and the earth opens its mouth and swallows them and all that belongs to them so that they go down alive into Sheol, then you will know that these men have treated the LORD with contempt.”

**Numbers 16:31**

<sup>31</sup> As soon as Moses had finished saying all this, the ground beneath them split open,

**Numbers 16:32**

<sup>32</sup> and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed them and their households—all Korah’s men and all their possessions.

**Numbers 16:33**

<sup>33</sup> They went down alive into Sheol with all they owned. The earth closed over them, and they vanished from the assembly.

**Numbers 16:34**

<sup>34</sup> At their cries, all the people of Israel who were around them fled, saying, “The earth may swallow us too!”

**Numbers 16:35**

<sup>35</sup> And fire came forth from the LORD and consumed the 250 men who were offering the incense.

**Numbers 16:36**

<sup>36</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses,

**Numbers 16:37**

<sup>37</sup> “Tell Eleazar son of Aaron the priest to remove the censers from the flames and to scatter the coals far away, because the censers are holy.

**Numbers 16:38**

<sup>38</sup> As for the censers of those who sinned at the cost of their own lives, hammer them into sheets to overlay the altar, for these were presented before the LORD, and so have become holy. They will serve as a sign to the Israelites.”

**Numbers 16:39**

<sup>39</sup> So Eleazar the priest took the bronze censers brought by those who had been burned up, and he had them hammered out to overlay the altar,

**Numbers 16:40**

<sup>40</sup> just as the LORD commanded him through Moses. This was to be a reminder to the Israelites that no outsider who is not a descendant of Aaron should approach to offer incense before the LORD, lest he become like Korah and his followers.

**Numbers 16:41**

<sup>41</sup> The next day the whole congregation of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron, saying, “You have killed the LORD’s people!”

**Numbers 16:42**

<sup>42</sup> But when the congregation gathered against them, Moses and Aaron turned toward the Tent of Meeting, and suddenly the cloud covered it and the glory of the LORD appeared.

**Numbers 16:43**

<sup>43</sup> Then Moses and Aaron went to the front of the Tent of Meeting,

**Numbers 16:44**

<sup>44</sup> and the LORD said to Moses,

**Numbers 16:45**

<sup>45</sup> “Get away from this congregation so that I may consume them in an instant.” And Moses and Aaron fell facedown.

**Numbers 16:46**

<sup>46</sup> Moses said to Aaron, “Take your censer, place fire from the altar in it, and add incense. Go quickly to the congregation and make atonement for them, because wrath has come out from the LORD; the plague has begun.”

**Numbers 16:47**

<sup>47</sup> So Aaron took the censer as Moses had ordered and ran into the midst of the assembly. And seeing that the plague had begun among the people, he offered the incense and made atonement for the people.

**Numbers 16:48**

<sup>48</sup> He stood between the living and the dead, and the plague was halted.

**Numbers 16:49**

<sup>49</sup> But those who died from the plague numbered 14,700, in addition to those who had died on account of Korah.

**Numbers 16:50**

<sup>50</sup> Then Aaron returned to Moses at the entrance to the Tent of Meeting, since the plague had been halted.

**Numbers 17:1**

<sup>1</sup> And the LORD said to Moses,

**Numbers 17:2**

<sup>2</sup> “Speak to the Israelites and take from them twelve staffs, one from the leader of each tribe. Write each man’s name on his staff,

**Numbers 17:3**

<sup>3</sup> and write Aaron’s name on the staff of Levi, because there must be one staff for the head of each tribe.

**Numbers 17:4**

<sup>4</sup> Place the staffs in the Tent of Meeting in front of the Testimony, where I meet with you.

**Numbers 17:5**

<sup>5</sup> The staff belonging to the man I choose will sprout, and I will rid Myself of the constant grumbling of the Israelites against you.”

**Numbers 17:6**

<sup>6</sup> So Moses spoke to the Israelites, and each of their leaders gave him a staff—one for each of the leaders of their tribes, twelve staffs in all. And Aaron’s staff was among them.

**Numbers 17:7**

<sup>7</sup> Then Moses placed the staffs before the LORD in the Tent of the Testimony.

**Numbers 17:8**

<sup>8</sup> The next day Moses entered the Tent of the Testimony and saw that Aaron’s staff, representing the house of Levi, had sprouted, put forth buds, blossomed, and produced almonds.

**Numbers 17:9**

<sup>9</sup> Then Moses brought out all the staffs from the LORD's presence to all the Israelites. They saw them, and each man took his own staff.

**Numbers 17:10**

<sup>10</sup> The LORD said to Moses, "Put Aaron's staff back in front of the Testimony, to be kept as a sign for the rebellious, so that you may put an end to their grumbling against Me, lest they die."

**Numbers 17:11**

<sup>11</sup> So Moses did as the LORD had commanded him.

**Numbers 17:12**

<sup>12</sup> Then the Israelites declared to Moses, "Look, we are perishing! We are lost; we are all lost!"

**Numbers 17:13**

<sup>13</sup> Anyone who comes near the tabernacle of the LORD will die. Are we all going to perish?"

**Numbers 18:1**

<sup>1</sup> So the LORD said to Aaron, "You and your sons and your father's house must bear the iniquity involving the sanctuary. And you and your sons alone must bear the iniquity involving your priesthood."

**Numbers 18:2**

<sup>2</sup> But bring with you also your brothers from the tribe of Levi, the tribe of your father, that they may join you and assist you and your sons before the Tent of the Testimony.

**Numbers 18:3**

<sup>3</sup> And they shall attend to your duties and to all the duties of the Tent; but they must not come near to

the furnishings of the sanctuary or the altar, or both they and you will die.

**Numbers 18:4**

<sup>4</sup> They are to join you and attend to the duties of the Tent of Meeting, doing all the work at the Tent; but no outsider may come near you.

**Numbers 18:5**

<sup>5</sup> And you shall attend to the duties of the sanctuary and of the altar, so that wrath may not fall on the Israelites again.

**Numbers 18:6**

<sup>6</sup> Behold, I Myself have selected your fellow Levites from the Israelites as a gift to you, dedicated to the LORD to perform the service for the Tent of Meeting.

**Numbers 18:7**

<sup>7</sup> But only you and your sons shall attend to your priesthood for everything concerning the altar and what is inside the veil, and you are to perform that service. I am giving you the work of the priesthood as a gift, but any outsider who comes near the sanctuary must be put to death."

**Numbers 18:8**

<sup>8</sup> Then the LORD said to Aaron, "Behold, I have put you in charge of My offerings. As for all the sacred offerings of the Israelites, I have given them to you and your sons as a portion and a permanent statute."

**Numbers 18:9**

<sup>9</sup> A portion of the most holy offerings reserved from the fire will be yours. From all the offerings they render to Me as most holy offerings, whether grain offerings or sin offerings or guilt offerings, that part belongs to you and your sons.

**Numbers 18:10**

<sup>10</sup> You are to eat it as a most holy offering, and every male may eat it. You shall regard it as holy.

**Numbers 18:11**

<sup>11</sup> And this is yours as well: the offering of their gifts, along with all the wave offerings of the Israelites. I have given this to you and your sons and daughters as a permanent statute. Every ceremonially clean person in your household may eat it.

**Numbers 18:12**

<sup>12</sup> I give you all the freshest olive oil and all the finest new wine and grain that the Israelites give to the LORD as their firstfruits.

**Numbers 18:13**

<sup>13</sup> The firstfruits of everything in their land that they bring to the LORD will belong to you. Every ceremonially clean person in your household may eat them.

**Numbers 18:14**

<sup>14</sup> Every devoted thing in Israel belongs to you.

**Numbers 18:15**

<sup>15</sup> The firstborn of every womb, whether man or beast, that is offered to the LORD belongs to you. But you must surely redeem every firstborn son and every firstborn male of unclean animals.

**Numbers 18:16**

<sup>16</sup> You are to pay the redemption price for a month-old male according to your valuation: five shekels of silver, according to the sanctuary shekel, which is twenty gerahs.

**Numbers 18:17**

<sup>17</sup> But you must not redeem the firstborn of an ox, a sheep, or a goat; they are holy. You are to splatter their blood on the altar and burn their fat as a food offering, a pleasing aroma to the LORD.

**Numbers 18:18**

<sup>18</sup> And their meat belongs to you, just as the breast and right thigh of the wave offering belong to you.

**Numbers 18:19**

<sup>19</sup> All the holy offerings that the Israelites present to the LORD I give to you and to your sons and daughters as a permanent statute. It is a permanent covenant of salt before the LORD for you and your offspring."

**Numbers 18:20**

<sup>20</sup> Then the LORD said to Aaron, "You will have no inheritance in their land, nor will you have any portion among them. I am your portion and your inheritance among the Israelites.

**Numbers 18:21**

<sup>21</sup> Behold, I have given to the Levites all the tithes in Israel as an inheritance in return for the work they do, the service of the Tent of Meeting.

**Numbers 18:22**

<sup>22</sup> No longer may the Israelites come near to the Tent of Meeting, or they will incur guilt and die.

**Numbers 18:23**

<sup>23</sup> The Levites are to perform the work of the Tent of Meeting, and they must bear their iniquity. This is a permanent statute for the generations to come. The Levites will not receive an inheritance among the Israelites.

**Numbers 18:24**

<sup>24</sup> For I have given to the Levites as their inheritance the tithe that the Israelites present to the LORD as a contribution. That is why I told them that they would not receive an inheritance among the Israelites.”

**Numbers 18:25**

<sup>25</sup> And the LORD instructed Moses,

**Numbers 18:26**

<sup>26</sup> “Speak to the Levites and tell them: ‘When you receive from the Israelites the tithe that I have given you as your inheritance, you must present part of it as an offering to the LORD—a tithe of the tithe.

**Numbers 18:27**

<sup>27</sup> Your offering will be reckoned to you as grain from the threshing floor or juice from the winepress.

**Numbers 18:28**

<sup>28</sup> So you are to present an offering to the LORD from all the tithes you receive from the Israelites, and from these you are to give the LORD’s offering to Aaron the priest.

**Numbers 18:29**

<sup>29</sup> You must present the offering due the LORD from all the best of every gift, the holiest part of it.’

**Numbers 18:30**

<sup>30</sup> Therefore say to the Levites, ‘When you have presented the best part, it will be reckoned to you as the produce of the threshing floor or winepress.

**Numbers 18:31**

<sup>31</sup> And you and your households may eat the rest of it anywhere; it is the compensation for your work at the Tent of Meeting.

**Numbers 18:32**

<sup>32</sup> Once you have presented the best part of it, you will not incur guilt because of it. But you must not defile the sacred offerings of the Israelites, or else you will die.”

**Numbers 19:1**

<sup>1</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses and Aaron,

**Numbers 19:2**

<sup>2</sup> “This is the statute of the law that the LORD has commanded: Instruct the Israelites to bring you an unblemished red heifer that has no defect and has never been placed under a yoke.

**Numbers 19:3**

<sup>3</sup> Give it to Eleazar the priest, and he will have it brought outside the camp and slaughtered in his presence.

**Numbers 19:4**

<sup>4</sup> Eleazar the priest is to take some of its blood on his finger and sprinkle it seven times toward the front of the Tent of Meeting.

**Numbers 19:5**

<sup>5</sup> Then the heifer must be burned in his sight. Its hide, its flesh, and its blood are to be burned, along with its dung.

**Numbers 19:6**

<sup>6</sup> The priest is to take cedar wood, hyssop, and scarlet wool and throw them onto the burning heifer.

**Numbers 19:7**

<sup>7</sup> Then the priest must wash his clothes and bathe his body in water; after that he may enter the camp, but he will be ceremonially unclean until evening.

**Numbers 19:8**

<sup>8</sup> The one who burned the heifer must also wash his clothes and bathe his body in water, and he too will be ceremonially unclean until evening.

**Numbers 19:9**

<sup>9</sup> Then a man who is ceremonially clean is to gather up the ashes of the heifer and store them in a ceremonially clean place outside the camp. They must be kept by the congregation of Israel for preparing the water of purification; this is for purification from sin.

**Numbers 19:10**

<sup>10</sup> The man who has gathered up the ashes of the heifer must also wash his clothes, and he will be ceremonially unclean until evening. This is a permanent statute for the Israelites and for the foreigner residing among them.

**Numbers 19:11**

<sup>11</sup> Whoever touches any dead body will be unclean for seven days.

**Numbers 19:12**

<sup>12</sup> He must purify himself with the water on the third day and on the seventh day; then he will be clean. But if he does not purify himself on the third and seventh days, he will not be clean.

**Numbers 19:13**

<sup>13</sup> Anyone who touches a human corpse and fails to purify himself defiles the tabernacle of the LORD. That person must be cut off from Israel. He remains unclean, because the water of purification has not been sprinkled on him, and his uncleanness is still on him.

**Numbers 19:14**

<sup>14</sup> This is the law when a person dies in a tent: Everyone who enters the tent and everyone already in the tent will be unclean for seven days,

**Numbers 19:15**

<sup>15</sup> and any open container without a lid fastened on it is unclean.

**Numbers 19:16**

<sup>16</sup> Anyone in the open field who touches someone who has been killed by the sword or has died of natural causes, or anyone who touches a human bone or a grave, will be unclean for seven days.

**Numbers 19:17**

<sup>17</sup> For the purification of the unclean person, take some of the ashes of the burnt sin offering, put them in a jar, and pour fresh water over them.

**Numbers 19:18**

<sup>18</sup> Then a man who is ceremonially clean is to take some hyssop, dip it in the water, and sprinkle the tent, all the furnishings, and the people who were there. He is also to sprinkle the one who touched a bone, a grave, or a person who has died or been slain.

**Numbers 19:19**

<sup>19</sup> The man who is ceremonially clean is to sprinkle the unclean person on the third day and on the seventh day. After he purifies the unclean person on the seventh day, the one being cleansed must



wash his clothes and bathe in water, and that evening he will be clean.

### Numbers 19:20

<sup>20</sup> But if a person who is unclean does not purify himself, he will be cut off from the assembly, because he has defiled the sanctuary of the LORD. The water of purification has not been sprinkled on him; he is unclean.

### Numbers 19:21

<sup>21</sup> This is a permanent statute for the people: The one who sprinkles the water of purification must wash his clothes, and whoever touches the water of purification will be unclean until evening.

### Numbers 19:22

<sup>22</sup> Anything the unclean person touches will become unclean, and anyone who touches it will be unclean until evening."

### Numbers 20:1

<sup>1</sup> In the first month, the whole congregation of Israel entered the Wilderness of Zin and stayed in Kadesh. There Miriam died and was buried.

### Numbers 20:2

<sup>2</sup> Now there was no water for the congregation, so they gathered against Moses and Aaron.

### Numbers 20:3

<sup>3</sup> The people quarreled with Moses and said, "If only we had perished with our brothers before the LORD!

### Numbers 20:4

<sup>4</sup> Why have you brought the LORD's assembly into this wilderness for us and our livestock to die here?

### Numbers 20:5

<sup>5</sup> Why have you led us up out of Egypt to bring us to this wretched place? It is not a place of grain, figs, vines, or pomegranates—and there is no water to drink!"

### Numbers 20:6

<sup>6</sup> Then Moses and Aaron went from the presence of the assembly to the entrance to the Tent of Meeting. They fell facedown, and the glory of the LORD appeared to them.

### Numbers 20:7

<sup>7</sup> And the LORD said to Moses,

### Numbers 20:8

<sup>8</sup> "Take the staff and assemble the congregation. You and your brother Aaron are to speak to the rock while they watch, and it will pour out its water. You will bring out water from the rock and provide drink for the congregation and their livestock."

### Numbers 20:9

<sup>9</sup> So Moses took the staff from the LORD's presence, just as he had been commanded.

### Numbers 20:10

<sup>10</sup> Then Moses and Aaron gathered the assembly in front of the rock, and Moses said to them, "Listen now, you rebels, must we bring you water out of this rock?"

### Numbers 20:11

<sup>11</sup> Then Moses raised his hand and struck the rock twice with his staff, so that a great amount of water gushed out, and the congregation and their livestock were able to drink.

**Numbers 20:12**

<sup>12</sup> But the LORD said to Moses and Aaron, "Because you did not trust Me to show My holiness in the sight of the Israelites, you will not bring this assembly into the land that I have given them."

**Numbers 20:13**

<sup>13</sup> These were the waters of Meribah, where the Israelites quarreled with the LORD, and He showed His holiness among them.

**Numbers 20:14**

<sup>14</sup> From Kadesh, Moses sent messengers to tell the king of Edom, "This is what your brother Israel says: You know all the hardship that has befallen us,

**Numbers 20:15**

<sup>15</sup> how our fathers went down to Egypt, where we lived many years. The Egyptians mistreated us and our fathers,

**Numbers 20:16**

<sup>16</sup> and when we cried out to the LORD, He heard our voice, sent an angel, and brought us out of Egypt. Now look, we are in Kadesh, a city on the edge of your territory.

**Numbers 20:17**

<sup>17</sup> Please let us pass through your land. We will not go through any field or vineyard, or drink water from any well. We will stay on the King's Highway; we will not turn to the right or to the left until we have passed through your territory."

**Numbers 20:18**

<sup>18</sup> But Edom answered, "You may not travel through our land, or we will come out and confront you with the sword."

**Numbers 20:19**

<sup>19</sup> "We will stay on the main road," the Israelites replied, "and if we or our herds drink your water, we will pay for it. There will be no problem; only let us pass through on foot."

**Numbers 20:20**

<sup>20</sup> But Edom insisted, "You may not pass through." And they came out to confront the Israelites with a large army and a strong hand.

**Numbers 20:21**

<sup>21</sup> So Edom refused to allow Israel to pass through their territory, and Israel turned away from them.

**Numbers 20:22**

<sup>22</sup> After they had set out from Kadesh, the whole congregation of Israel came to Mount Hor.

**Numbers 20:23**

<sup>23</sup> And at Mount Hor, near the border of the land of Edom, the LORD said to Moses and Aaron,

**Numbers 20:24**

<sup>24</sup> "Aaron will be gathered to his people; he will not enter the land that I have given the Israelites, because both of you rebelled against My command at the waters of Meribah.

**Numbers 20:25**

<sup>25</sup> Take Aaron and his son Eleazar and bring them up Mount Hor.

**Numbers 20:26**

<sup>26</sup> Remove Aaron's priestly garments and put them on his son Eleazar. Aaron will be gathered to his people and will die there."

**Numbers 20:27**

<sup>27</sup> So Moses did as the LORD had commanded, and they climbed Mount Hor in the sight of the whole congregation.

**Numbers 20:28**

<sup>28</sup> After Moses had removed Aaron's garments and put them on his son Eleazar, Aaron died there on top of the mountain. Then Moses and Eleazar came down from the mountain.

**Numbers 20:29**

<sup>29</sup> When the whole congregation saw that Aaron had died, the entire house of Israel mourned for him thirty days.

**Numbers 21:1**

<sup>1</sup> When the Canaanite king of Arad, who lived in the Negev, heard that Israel was coming along the road to Atharim, he attacked Israel and captured some prisoners.

**Numbers 21:2**

<sup>2</sup> So Israel made a vow to the LORD: "If You will deliver this people into our hands, we will devote their cities to destruction."

**Numbers 21:3**

<sup>3</sup> And the LORD heard Israel's plea and delivered up the Canaanites. Israel devoted them and their cities to destruction; so they named the place Hormah.

**Numbers 21:4**

<sup>4</sup> Then they set out from Mount Hor along the route to the Red Sea, in order to bypass the land of Edom. But the people grew impatient on the journey

**Numbers 21:5**

<sup>5</sup> and spoke against God and against Moses: "Why have you led us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? There is no bread or water, and we detest this wretched food!"

**Numbers 21:6**

<sup>6</sup> So the LORD sent venomous snakes among the people, and many of the Israelites were bitten and died.

**Numbers 21:7**

<sup>7</sup> Then the people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you. Intercede with the LORD so He will take the snakes away from us." So Moses interceded for the people.

**Numbers 21:8**

<sup>8</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent and mount it on a pole. When anyone who is bitten looks at it, he will live."

**Numbers 21:9**

<sup>9</sup> So Moses made a bronze snake and mounted it on a pole. If anyone who was bitten looked at the bronze snake, he would live.

**Numbers 21:10**

<sup>10</sup> Then the Israelites set out and camped at Obboth.

**Numbers 21:11**

<sup>11</sup> They journeyed from Obboth and camped at Iyeabarim in the wilderness opposite Moab to the east.

**Numbers 21:12**

<sup>12</sup> From there they set out and camped in the Valley of Zered.

**Numbers 21:13**

<sup>13</sup> From there they moved on and camped on the other side of the Arnon, in the wilderness that extends into the Amorite territory. Now the Arnon is the border between the Moabites and the Amorites.

**Numbers 21:14**

<sup>14</sup> Therefore it is stated in the Book of the Wars of the LORD: "Waheb in Suphah and the wadis of the Arnon,

**Numbers 21:15**

<sup>15</sup> even the slopes of the wadis that extend to the site of Ar and lie along the border of Moab."

**Numbers 21:16**

<sup>16</sup> From there they went on to Beer, the well where the LORD said to Moses, "Gather the people so that I may give them water."

**Numbers 21:17**

<sup>17</sup> Then Israel sang this song: "Spring up, O well, all of you sing to it!

**Numbers 21:18**

<sup>18</sup> The princes dug the well; the nobles of the people hollowed it out with their scepters and with their staffs." From the wilderness the Israelites went on to Mattanah,

**Numbers 21:19**

<sup>19</sup> and from Mattanah to Nahaliel, and from Nahaliel to Bamoth,

**Numbers 21:20**

<sup>20</sup> and from Bamoth to the valley in Moab where the top of Pisgah overlooks the wasteland.

**Numbers 21:21**

<sup>21</sup> Then Israel sent messengers to Sihon king of the Amorites, saying,

**Numbers 21:22**

<sup>22</sup> "Let us pass through your land. We will not turn aside into any field or vineyard, or drink water from any well. We will stay on the King's Highway until we have passed through your territory."

**Numbers 21:23**

<sup>23</sup> But Sihon would not let Israel pass through his territory. Instead, he gathered his whole army and went out to confront Israel in the wilderness. When he came to Jahaz, he fought against Israel.

**Numbers 21:24**

<sup>24</sup> And Israel put him to the sword and took possession of his land, from the Arnon to the Jabbok—but only up to the border of the Ammonites, because it was fortified.

**Numbers 21:25**

<sup>25</sup> Israel captured all the cities of the Amorites and occupied them, including Heshbon and all its villages.

**Numbers 21:26**

<sup>26</sup> Heshbon was the city of Sihon king of the Amorites, who had fought against the former king of Moab and taken all his land as far as the Arnon.

**Numbers 21:27**

<sup>27</sup> That is why the poets say: "Come to Heshbon, let it be rebuilt; let the city of Sihon be restored.

**Numbers 21:28**

<sup>28</sup> For a fire went out from Heshbon, a blaze from the city of Sihon. It consumed Ar of Moab, the rulers of Arnon's heights.

**Numbers 21:29**

<sup>29</sup> Woe to you, O Moab! You are destroyed, O people of Chemosh! He gave up his sons as refugees, and his daughters into captivity to Sihon king of the Amorites.

**Numbers 21:30**

<sup>30</sup> But we have overthrown them; Heshbon is destroyed as far as Dibon. We demolished them as far as Nophah, which reaches to Medeba."

**Numbers 21:31**

<sup>31</sup> So Israel lived in the land of the Amorites.

**Numbers 21:32**

<sup>32</sup> After Moses had sent spies to Jazer, Israel captured its villages and drove out the Amorites who were there.

**Numbers 21:33**

<sup>33</sup> Then they turned and went up the road to Bashan, and Og king of Bashan and his whole army came out to meet them in battle at Edrei.

**Numbers 21:34**

<sup>34</sup> But the LORD said to Moses, "Do not fear him, for I have delivered him into your hand, along with all his people and his land. Do to him as you did to Sihon king of the Amorites, who lived in Heshbon."

**Numbers 21:35**

<sup>35</sup> So they struck down Og, along with his sons and his whole army, until no remnant was left. And they took possession of his land.

**Numbers 22:1**

<sup>1</sup> Then the Israelites traveled on and camped in the plains of Moab near the Jordan, across from Jericho.

**Numbers 22:2**

<sup>2</sup> Now Balak son of Zippor saw all that Israel had done to the Amorites,

**Numbers 22:3**

<sup>3</sup> and Moab was terrified of the people because they were numerous. Indeed, Moab dreaded the Israelites.

**Numbers 22:4**

<sup>4</sup> So the Moabites said to the elders of Midian, "This horde will devour everything around us, as an ox licks up the grass of the field." Since Balak son of Zippor was king of Moab at that time,

**Numbers 22:5**

<sup>5</sup> he sent messengers to summon Balaam son of Beor at Pethor, which is by the Euphrates in the land of his people. "Behold, a people has come out of Egypt," said Balak. "They cover the face of the land and have settled next to me.

**Numbers 22:6**

<sup>6</sup> So please come now and put a curse on this people, because they are too mighty for me. Perhaps I may be able to defeat them and drive them out of the land; for I know that those you bless are blessed, and those you curse are cursed."

**Numbers 22:7**

<sup>7</sup> The elders of Moab and Midian departed with the fees for divination in hand. They came to Balaam and relayed to him the words of Balak.

**Numbers 22:8**

<sup>8</sup> "Spend the night here," Balaam replied, "and I will give you the answer that the LORD speaks to me." So the princes of Moab stayed with Balaam.

**Numbers 22:9**

<sup>9</sup> Then God came to Balaam and asked, "Who are these men with you?"

**Numbers 22:10**

<sup>10</sup> And Balaam said to God, "Balak son of Zippor, king of Moab, sent me this message:

**Numbers 22:11**

<sup>11</sup> 'Behold, a people has come out of Egypt, and they cover the face of the land. Now come and put a curse on them for me. Perhaps I may be able to fight against them and drive them away.'"

**Numbers 22:12**

<sup>12</sup> But God said to Balaam, "Do not go with them. You are not to curse this people, for they are blessed."

**Numbers 22:13**

<sup>13</sup> So Balaam got up the next morning and said to Balak's princes, "Go back to your homeland, because the LORD has refused to let me go with you."

**Numbers 22:14**

<sup>14</sup> And the princes of Moab arose, returned to Balak, and said, "Balaam refused to come with us."

**Numbers 22:15**

<sup>15</sup> Then Balak sent other princes, more numerous and more distinguished than the first messengers.

**Numbers 22:16**

<sup>16</sup> They came to Balaam and said, "This is what Balak son of Zippor says: 'Please let nothing hinder you from coming to me,

**Numbers 22:17**

<sup>17</sup> for I will honor you richly and do whatever you say. So please come and put a curse on this people for me!'"

**Numbers 22:18**

<sup>18</sup> But Balaam replied to the servants of Balak, "If Balak were to give me his house full of silver and gold, I could not do anything small or great to go beyond the command of the LORD my God.

**Numbers 22:19**

<sup>19</sup> So now, please stay here overnight as the others did, that I may find out what else the LORD has to tell me."

**Numbers 22:20**

<sup>20</sup> That night God came to Balaam and said, "Since these men have come to summon you, get up and go with them, but you must only do what I tell you."

**Numbers 22:21**

<sup>21</sup> So in the morning Balaam got up, saddled his donkey, and went with the princes of Moab.

**Numbers 22:22**

<sup>22</sup> Then God's anger was kindled because Balaam was going along, and the angel of the LORD stood in the road to oppose him. Balaam was riding his donkey, and his two servants were with him.

**Numbers 22:23**

<sup>23</sup> When the donkey saw the angel of the LORD standing in the road with a drawn sword in his hand, she turned off the path and went into a field. So Balaam beat her to return her to the path.

**Numbers 22:24**

<sup>24</sup> Then the angel of the LORD stood in a narrow passage between two vineyards, with walls on either side.

**Numbers 22:25**

<sup>25</sup> And the donkey saw the angel of the LORD and pressed herself against the wall, crushing Balaam's foot against it. So he beat her once again.

**Numbers 22:26**

<sup>26</sup> And the angel of the LORD moved on ahead and stood in a narrow place where there was no room to turn to the right or left.

**Numbers 22:27**

<sup>27</sup> When the donkey saw the angel of the LORD, she lay down under Balaam, and he became furious and beat her with his staff.

**Numbers 22:28**

<sup>28</sup> Then the LORD opened the donkey's mouth, and she said to Balaam, "What have I done to you that you have beaten me these three times?"

**Numbers 22:29**

<sup>29</sup> Balaam answered the donkey, "You have made a fool of me! If I had a sword in my hand, I would kill you right now!"

**Numbers 22:30**

<sup>30</sup> But the donkey said to Balaam, "Am I not the donkey you have ridden all your life until today? Have I ever treated you this way before?" "No," he replied.

**Numbers 22:31**

<sup>31</sup> Then the LORD opened Balaam's eyes, and he saw the angel of the LORD standing in the road with a drawn sword in his hand. And Balaam bowed low and fell facedown.

**Numbers 22:32**

<sup>32</sup> The angel of the LORD asked him, "Why have you beaten your donkey these three times? Behold, I have come out to oppose you, because your way is perverse before me.

**Numbers 22:33**

<sup>33</sup> The donkey saw me and turned away from me these three times. If she had not turned away, then by now I would surely have killed you and let her live."

**Numbers 22:34**

<sup>34</sup> "I have sinned," Balaam said to the angel of the LORD, "for I did not realize that you were standing in the road to confront me. And now, if this is displeasing in your sight, I will go back home."

**Numbers 22:35**

<sup>35</sup> But the angel of the LORD said to Balaam, "Go with the men, but you are to speak only what I tell you." So Balaam went with the princes of Balak.

**Numbers 22:36**

<sup>36</sup> When Balak heard that Balaam was coming, he went out to meet him at the Moabite city on the Arnon border, at the edge of his territory.

**Numbers 22:37**

<sup>37</sup> And he said to Balaam, "Did I not send you an urgent summons? Why did you not come to me? Am I really not able to reward you richly?"

**Numbers 22:38**

<sup>38</sup> "See, I have come to you," Balaam replied, "but can I say just anything? I must speak only the word that God puts in my mouth."

**Numbers 22:39**

<sup>39</sup> So Balaam accompanied Balak, and they came to Kiriath-huzoth.

**Numbers 22:40**

<sup>40</sup> Balak sacrificed cattle and sheep, and he gave portions to Balaam and the princes who were with him.

**Numbers 22:41**

<sup>41</sup> The next morning, Balak took Balaam and brought him up to Bamoth-baal. From there he could see the outskirts of the camp of the people.

**Numbers 23:1**

<sup>1</sup> Then Balaam said to Balak, "Build for me seven altars here, and prepare for me seven bulls and seven rams."

**Numbers 23:2**

<sup>2</sup> So Balak did as Balaam had instructed, and Balak and Balaam offered a bull and a ram on each altar.

**Numbers 23:3**

<sup>3</sup> "Stay here by your burnt offering while I am gone," Balaam said to Balak. "Perhaps the LORD will meet with me. And whatever He reveals to me, I will tell you." So Balaam went off to a barren height,

**Numbers 23:4**

<sup>4</sup> and God met with him. "I have set up seven altars," Balaam said, "and on each altar I have offered a bull and a ram."

**Numbers 23:5**

<sup>5</sup> Then the LORD put a message in Balaam's mouth, saying, "Return to Balak and give him this message."

**Numbers 23:6**

<sup>6</sup> So he returned to Balak, who was standing there beside his burnt offering, with all the princes of Moab.

**Numbers 23:7**

<sup>7</sup> And Balaam lifted up an oracle, saying: "Balak brought me from Aram, the king of Moab from the mountains of the east. 'Come,' he said, 'put a curse on Jacob for me; come and denounce Israel!'"

**Numbers 23:8**

<sup>8</sup> How can I curse those whom God has not cursed? How can I denounce those whom the LORD has not denounced?

**Numbers 23:9**

<sup>9</sup> For I see them from atop the rocky cliffs, and I watch them from the hills. Behold, a people dwelling apart, not reckoning themselves among the nations.



**Numbers 23:10**

<sup>10</sup> Who can count the dust of Jacob or number even a fourth of Israel? Let me die the death of the righteous; let my end be like theirs!"

**Numbers 23:11**

<sup>11</sup> Then Balak said to Balaam, "What have you done to me? I brought you here to curse my enemies, and behold, you have only blessed them!"

**Numbers 23:12**

<sup>12</sup> But Balaam replied, "Should I not speak exactly what the LORD puts in my mouth?"

**Numbers 23:13**

<sup>13</sup> Then Balak said to him, "Please come with me to another place where you can see them. You will only see the outskirts of their camp—not all of them. And from there, curse them for me."

**Numbers 23:14**

<sup>14</sup> So Balak took him to the field of Zophim, to the top of Pisgah, where he built seven altars and offered a bull and a ram on each altar.

**Numbers 23:15**

<sup>15</sup> Balaam said to Balak, "Stay here beside your burnt offering while I meet the LORD over there."

**Numbers 23:16**

<sup>16</sup> And the LORD met with Balaam and put a message in his mouth, saying, "Return to Balak and speak what I tell you."

**Numbers 23:17**

<sup>17</sup> So he returned to Balak, who was standing there by his burnt offering with the princes of Moab. "What did the LORD say?" Balak asked.

**Numbers 23:18**

<sup>18</sup> Then Balaam lifted up an oracle, saying: "Arise, O Balak, and listen; give ear to me, O son of Zippor.

**Numbers 23:19**

<sup>19</sup> God is not a man, that He should lie, or a son of man, that He should change His mind. Does He speak and not act? Does He promise and not fulfill?

**Numbers 23:20**

<sup>20</sup> I have indeed received a command to bless; He has blessed, and I cannot change it.

**Numbers 23:21**

<sup>21</sup> He considers no disaster for Jacob; He sees no trouble for Israel. The LORD their God is with them, and the shout of the King is among them.

**Numbers 23:22**

<sup>22</sup> God brought them out of Egypt with strength like a wild ox.

**Numbers 23:23**

<sup>23</sup> For there is no spell against Jacob and no divination against Israel. It will now be said of Jacob and Israel, 'What great things God has done!'

**Numbers 23:24**

<sup>24</sup> Behold, the people rise like a lioness; they rouse themselves like a lion, not resting until they devour their prey and drink the blood of the slain."

**Numbers 23:25**

<sup>25</sup> Now Balak said to Balaam, "Then neither curse them at all nor bless them at all!"

**Numbers 23:26**

<sup>26</sup> But Balaam replied, “Did I not tell you that whatever the LORD says, I must do?”

**Numbers 23:27**

<sup>27</sup> “Please come,” said Balak, “I will take you to another place. Perhaps it will please God that you curse them for me from there.”

**Numbers 23:28**

<sup>28</sup> And Balak took Balaam to the top of Peor, which overlooks the wasteland.

**Numbers 23:29**

<sup>29</sup> Then Balaam said, “Build for me seven altars here, and prepare for me seven bulls and seven rams.”

**Numbers 23:30**

<sup>30</sup> So Balak did as Balaam had instructed, and he offered a bull and a ram on each altar.

**Numbers 24:1**

<sup>1</sup> And when Balaam saw that it pleased the LORD to bless Israel, he did not seek omens as on previous occasions, but he turned his face toward the wilderness.

**Numbers 24:2**

<sup>2</sup> When Balaam looked up and saw Israel encamped tribe by tribe, the Spirit of God came upon him,

**Numbers 24:3**

<sup>3</sup> and he lifted up an oracle, saying: “This is the prophecy of Balaam son of Beor, the prophecy of a man whose eyes are open,

**Numbers 24:4**

<sup>4</sup> the prophecy of one who hears the words of God, who sees a vision from the Almighty, who bows down with eyes wide open:

**Numbers 24:5**

<sup>5</sup> How lovely are your tents, O Jacob, your dwellings, O Israel!

**Numbers 24:6**

<sup>6</sup> They spread out like palm groves, like gardens beside a stream, like aloes the LORD has planted, like cedars beside the waters.

**Numbers 24:7**

<sup>7</sup> Water will flow from his buckets, and his seed will have abundant water. His king will be greater than Agag, and his kingdom will be exalted.

**Numbers 24:8**

<sup>8</sup> God brought him out of Egypt with strength like a wild ox, to devour hostile nations and crush their bones, to pierce them with arrows.

**Numbers 24:9**

<sup>9</sup> He crouches, he lies down like a lion, like a lioness—who dares to rouse him? Blessed are those who bless you and cursed are those who curse you.”

**Numbers 24:10**

<sup>10</sup> Then Balak’s anger burned against Balaam, and he struck his hands together and said to Balaam, “I summoned you to curse my enemies, but behold, you have persisted in blessing them these three times.

**Numbers 24:11**

<sup>11</sup> Therefore, flee at once to your home! I said I would reward you richly, but instead the LORD has denied your reward."

**Numbers 24:12**

<sup>12</sup> Balaam answered Balak, "Did I not already tell the messengers you sent me

**Numbers 24:13**

<sup>13</sup> that even if Balak were to give me his house full of silver and gold, I could not do anything of my own accord, good or bad, to go beyond the command of the LORD? I must speak whatever the LORD says.

**Numbers 24:14**

<sup>14</sup> Now I am going back to my people, but come, let me warn you what this people will do to your people in the days to come."

**Numbers 24:15**

<sup>15</sup> Then Balaam lifted up an oracle, saying, "This is the prophecy of Balaam son of Beor, the prophecy of a man whose eyes are open,

**Numbers 24:16**

<sup>16</sup> the prophecy of one who hears the words of God, who has knowledge from the Most High, who sees a vision from the Almighty, who bows down with eyes wide open:

**Numbers 24:17**

<sup>17</sup> I see him, but not now; I behold him, but not near. A star will come forth from Jacob, and a scepter will arise from Israel. He will crush the skulls of Moab and strike down all the sons of Sheth.

**Numbers 24:18**

<sup>18</sup> Edom will become a possession, as will Seir, his enemy; but Israel will perform with valor.

**Numbers 24:19**

<sup>19</sup> A ruler will come from Jacob and destroy the survivors of the city."

**Numbers 24:20**

<sup>20</sup> Then Balaam saw Amalek and lifted up an oracle, saying: "Amalek was first among the nations, but his end is destruction."

**Numbers 24:21**

<sup>21</sup> Next he saw the Kenites and lifted up an oracle, saying: "Your dwelling place is secure, and your nest is set in a cliff.

**Numbers 24:22**

<sup>22</sup> Yet Kain will be destroyed when Asshur takes you captive."

**Numbers 24:23**

<sup>23</sup> Once more Balaam lifted up an oracle, saying: "Ah, who can live unless God has ordained it?

**Numbers 24:24**

<sup>24</sup> Ships will come from the coasts of Cyprus; they will subdue Asshur and Eber, but they too will perish forever."

**Numbers 24:25**

<sup>25</sup> Then Balaam arose and returned to his homeland, and Balak also went on his way.

**Numbers 25:1**

<sup>1</sup> While Israel was staying in Shittim, the men began to indulge in sexual immorality with the daughters of Moab,

**Numbers 25:2**

<sup>2</sup> who also invited them to the sacrifices for their gods. And the people ate and bowed down to these gods.

**Numbers 25:3**

<sup>3</sup> So Israel joined in worshiping Baal of Peor, and the anger of the LORD burned against them.

**Numbers 25:4**

<sup>4</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses, "Take all the leaders of the people and execute them in broad daylight before the LORD, so that His fierce anger may turn away from Israel."

**Numbers 25:5**

<sup>5</sup> So Moses told the judges of Israel, "Each of you must kill all of his men who have joined in worshiping Baal of Peor."

**Numbers 25:6**

<sup>6</sup> Just then an Israelite man brought to his family a Midianite woman in the sight of Moses and the whole congregation of Israel while they were weeping at the entrance to the Tent of Meeting.

**Numbers 25:7**

<sup>7</sup> On seeing this, Phinehas son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, got up from the assembly, took a spear in his hand,

**Numbers 25:8**

<sup>8</sup> followed the Israelite into his tent, and drove the spear through both of them—through the Israelite and on through the belly of the woman. So the plague against the Israelites was halted,

**Numbers 25:9**

<sup>9</sup> but those who died in the plague numbered 24,000.

**Numbers 25:10**

<sup>10</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses,

**Numbers 25:11**

<sup>11</sup> "Phinehas son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, has turned My wrath away from the Israelites; for he was zealous for My sake among them, so that I did not consume the Israelites in My zeal.

**Numbers 25:12**

<sup>12</sup> Declare, therefore, that I am granting him My covenant of peace.

**Numbers 25:13**

<sup>13</sup> It will be a covenant of permanent priesthood for him and his descendants, because he was zealous for his God and made atonement for the Israelites."

**Numbers 25:14**

<sup>14</sup> The name of the Israelite who was slain with the Midianite woman was Zimri son of Salu, the leader of a Simeonite family.

**Numbers 25:15**

<sup>15</sup> And the name of the slain Midianite woman was Cozbi, the daughter of Zur, a tribal chief of a Midianite family.

**Numbers 25:16**

<sup>16</sup> And the LORD said to Moses,

**Numbers 25:17**

<sup>17</sup> “Attack the Midianites and strike them dead.

**Numbers 25:18**

<sup>18</sup> For they assailed you deceitfully when they seduced you in the matter of Peor and their sister Cozbi, the daughter of the Midianite leader, the woman who was killed on the day the plague came because of Peor.”

**Numbers 26:1**

<sup>1</sup> After the plague had ended, the LORD said to Moses and Eleazar son of Aaron the priest,

**Numbers 26:2**

<sup>2</sup> “Take a census of the whole congregation of Israel by the houses of their fathers—all those twenty years of age or older who can serve in the army of Israel.”

**Numbers 26:3**

<sup>3</sup> So on the plains of Moab by the Jordan, across from Jericho, Moses and Eleazar the priest issued the instruction,

**Numbers 26:4**

<sup>4</sup> “Take a census of the men twenty years of age or older, as the LORD has commanded Moses.” And these were the Israelites who came out of the land of Egypt:

**Numbers 26:5**

<sup>5</sup> Reuben was the firstborn of Israel. These were the descendants of Reuben: The Hanochite clan from Hanoch, the Palluite clan from Pallu,

**Numbers 26:6**

<sup>6</sup> the Hezronite clan from Hezron, and the Carmite clan from Carmi.

**Numbers 26:7**

<sup>7</sup> These were the clans of Reuben, and their registration numbered 43,730.

**Numbers 26:8**

<sup>8</sup> Now the son of Pallu was Eliab,

**Numbers 26:9**

<sup>9</sup> and the sons of Eliab were Nemuel, Dathan, and Abiram. It was Dathan and Abiram, chosen by the congregation, who rebelled against Moses and Aaron with the followers of Korah who rebelled against the LORD.

**Numbers 26:10**

<sup>10</sup> And the earth opened its mouth and swallowed them along with Korah, whose followers died when the fire consumed 250 men. They serve as a warning sign.

**Numbers 26:11**

<sup>11</sup> However, the line of Korah did not die out.

**Numbers 26:12**

<sup>12</sup> These were the descendants of Simeon by their clans: The Nemuelite clan from Nemuel, the Jaminite clan from Jamin, the Jachinite clan from Jachin,

**Numbers 26:13**

<sup>13</sup> the Zerahite clan from Zerah, and the Shaulite clan from Shaul.

**Numbers 26:14**

<sup>14</sup> These were the clans of Simeon, and there were 22,200 men.

**Numbers 26:15**

<sup>15</sup> These were the descendants of Gad by their clans: The Zephonite clan from Zephon, the Haggite clan from Haggi, the Shunite clan from Shuni,

**Numbers 26:16**

<sup>16</sup> the Oznite clan from Ozni, the Erite clan from Eri,

**Numbers 26:17**

<sup>17</sup> the Arodite clan from Arod, and the Arelite clan from Areli.

**Numbers 26:18**

<sup>18</sup> These were the clans of Gad, and their registration numbered 40,500.

**Numbers 26:19**

<sup>19</sup> The sons of Judah were Er and Onan, but they died in the land of Canaan.

**Numbers 26:20**

<sup>20</sup> These were the descendants of Judah by their clans: The Shelanite clan from Shelah, the Perezite clan from Perez, and the Zerahite clan from Zerah.

**Numbers 26:21**

<sup>21</sup> And these were the descendants of Perez: the Hezronite clan from Hezron and the Hamulite clan from Hamul.

**Numbers 26:22**

<sup>22</sup> These were the clans of Judah, and their registration numbered 76,500.

**Numbers 26:23**

<sup>23</sup> These were the descendants of Issachar by their clans: The Tolaite clan from Tola, the Punite clan from Puvah,

**Numbers 26:24**

<sup>24</sup> the Jashubite clan from Jashub, and the Shimronite clan from Shimron.

**Numbers 26:25**

<sup>25</sup> These were the clans of Issachar, and their registration numbered 64,300.

**Numbers 26:26**

<sup>26</sup> These were the descendants of Zebulun by their clans: The Seredite clan from Sered, the Elonite clan from Elon, and the Jahleelite clan from Jahleel.

**Numbers 26:27**

<sup>27</sup> These were the clans of Zebulun, and their registration numbered 60,500.

**Numbers 26:28**

<sup>28</sup> The descendants of Joseph included the clans of Manasseh and Ephraim.

**Numbers 26:29**

<sup>29</sup> These were the descendants of Manasseh: The Machirite clan from Machir, the father of Gilead, and the Gileadite clan from Gilead.

**Numbers 26:30**

<sup>30</sup> These were the descendants of Gilead: the Iezerite clan from Iezer, the Helekite clan from Helek,

**Numbers 26:31**

<sup>31</sup> the Asrielite clan from Asriel, the Shechemite clan from Shechem,

**Numbers 26:32**

<sup>32</sup> the Shemidaite clan from Shemida, and the Hepherite clan from Hepher.

**Numbers 26:33**

<sup>33</sup> Now Zelophehad son of Hepher had no sons but only daughters. The names of his daughters were Mahlah, Noah, Hoglah, Milcah, and Tirzah.

**Numbers 26:34**

<sup>34</sup> These were the clans of Manasseh, and their registration numbered 52,700.

**Numbers 26:35**

<sup>35</sup> These were the descendants of Ephraim by their clans: The Shuthelahite clan from Shuthelah, the Becherite clan from Becher, and the Tahanite clan from Tahan.

**Numbers 26:36**

<sup>36</sup> And the descendants of Shuthelah were the Eranite clan from Eran.

**Numbers 26:37**

<sup>37</sup> These were the clans of Ephraim, and their registration numbered 32,500. These clans were the descendants of Joseph.

**Numbers 26:38**

<sup>38</sup> These were the descendants of Benjamin by their clans: The Belaite clan from Bela, the Ashbelite clan from Ashbel, the Ahihamite clan from Ahiham,

**Numbers 26:39**

<sup>39</sup> the Shuphamite clan from Shupham, and the Huphamite clan from Hupham.

**Numbers 26:40**

<sup>40</sup> And the descendants of Bela from Ard and Naaman were the Ardite clan from Ard and the Naamite clan from Naaman.

**Numbers 26:41**

<sup>41</sup> These were the clans of Benjamin, and their registration numbered 45,600.

**Numbers 26:42**

<sup>42</sup> These were the descendants of Dan by their clans: The Shuhamite clan from Shuham. These were the clans of Dan.

**Numbers 26:43**

<sup>43</sup> All of them were Shuhamite clans, and their registration numbered 64,400.

**Numbers 26:44**

<sup>44</sup> These were the descendants of Asher by their clans: The Imnite clan from Imnah, the Ishvite clan from Ishvi, and the Beriite clan from Beriah.

**Numbers 26:45**

<sup>45</sup> And these were the descendants of Beriah: the Heberite clan from Heber and the Malchielite clan from Malchiel.

**Numbers 26:46**

<sup>46</sup> And the name of Asher's daughter was Serah.

**Numbers 26:47**

<sup>47</sup> These were the clans of Asher, and their registration numbered 53,400.

**Numbers 26:48**

<sup>48</sup> These were the descendants of Naphtali by their clans: The Jahzeelite clan from Jahzeel, the Gunitite clan from Guni,

**Numbers 26:49**

<sup>49</sup> the Jezerite clan from Jezer, and the Shillemite clan from Shille.

**Numbers 26:50**

<sup>50</sup> These were the clans of Naphtali, and their registration numbered 45,400.

**Numbers 26:51**

<sup>51</sup> These men of Israel numbered 601,730 in all.

**Numbers 26:52**

<sup>52</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses,

**Numbers 26:53**

<sup>53</sup> "The land is to be divided among the tribes as an inheritance, according to the number of names.

**Numbers 26:54**

<sup>54</sup> Increase the inheritance for a large tribe and decrease it for a small one; each tribe is to receive its inheritance according to the number of those registered.

**Numbers 26:55**

<sup>55</sup> Indeed, the land must be divided by lot; they shall receive their inheritance according to the names of the tribes of their fathers.

**Numbers 26:56**

<sup>56</sup> Each inheritance is to be divided by lot among the larger and smaller tribes."

**Numbers 26:57**

<sup>57</sup> Now these were the Levites numbered by their clans: The Gershonite clan from Gershon, the Kohathite clan from Kohath, and the Merarite clan from Merari.

**Numbers 26:58**

<sup>58</sup> These were the families of the Levites: The Libnite clan, the Hebronite clan, the Mahlite clan, the Mushite clan, and the Korahite clan. Now Kohath was the father of Amram,

**Numbers 26:59**

<sup>59</sup> and Amram's wife was named Jochebed. She was also a daughter of Levi, born to Levi in Egypt. To Amram she bore Aaron, Moses, and their sister Miriam.

**Numbers 26:60**

<sup>60</sup> Nadab, Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar were born to Aaron,



**Numbers 26:61**

<sup>61</sup> but Nadab and Abihu died when they offered unauthorized fire before the LORD.

**Numbers 26:62**

<sup>62</sup> The registration of the Levites totaled 23,000, every male a month old or more; they were not numbered among the other Israelites, because no inheritance was given to them among the Israelites.

**Numbers 26:63**

<sup>63</sup> These were the ones numbered by Moses and Eleazar the priest when they counted the Israelites on the plains of Moab by the Jordan, across from Jericho.

**Numbers 26:64**

<sup>64</sup> Among all these, however, there was not one who had been numbered by Moses and Aaron the priest when they counted the Israelites in the Wilderness of Sinai.

**Numbers 26:65**

<sup>65</sup> For the LORD had told them that they would surely die in the wilderness. Not one was left except Caleb son of Jephunneh and Joshua son of Nun.

**Numbers 27:1**

<sup>1</sup> Now the daughters of Zelophehad son of Hephher, the son of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh, belonged to the clans of Manasseh son of Joseph. These were the names of his daughters: Mahlah, Noah, Hoglah, Milcah, and Tirzah. They approached

**Numbers 27:2**

<sup>2</sup> the entrance to the Tent of Meeting, stood before Moses, Eleazar the priest, the leaders, and the whole congregation, and said,

**Numbers 27:3**

<sup>3</sup> “Our father died in the wilderness, but he was not among the followers of Korah who gathered together against the LORD. Instead, he died because of his own sin, and he had no sons.

**Numbers 27:4**

<sup>4</sup> Why should the name of our father disappear from his clan because he had no sons? Give us property among our father’s brothers.”

**Numbers 27:5**

<sup>5</sup> So Moses brought their case before the LORD,

**Numbers 27:6**

<sup>6</sup> and the LORD answered him,

**Numbers 27:7**

<sup>7</sup> “The daughters of Zelophehad speak correctly. You certainly must give them property as an inheritance among their father’s brothers and transfer their father’s inheritance to them.

**Numbers 27:8**

<sup>8</sup> Furthermore, you shall say to the Israelites, ‘If a man dies and leaves no son, you are to transfer his inheritance to his daughter.

**Numbers 27:9**

<sup>9</sup> If he has no daughter, give his inheritance to his brothers.

**Numbers 27:10**

<sup>10</sup> If he has no brothers, give his inheritance to his father’s brothers.

**Numbers 27:11**

<sup>11</sup> And if his father has no brothers, give his inheritance to the next of kin from his clan, that he may take possession of it. This is to be a statutory ordinance for the Israelites, as the LORD has commanded Moses.”

**Numbers 27:12**

<sup>12</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses, “Go up this mountain of the Abarim range and see the land that I have given the Israelites.

**Numbers 27:13**

<sup>13</sup> After you have seen it, you too will be gathered to your people, as your brother Aaron was;

**Numbers 27:14**

<sup>14</sup> for when the congregation contended in the Wilderness of Zin, both of you rebelled against My command to show My holiness in their sight regarding the waters.” Those were the waters of Meribah in Kadesh, in the Wilderness of Zin.

**Numbers 27:15**

<sup>15</sup> So Moses appealed to the LORD,

**Numbers 27:16**

<sup>16</sup> “May the LORD, the God of the spirits of all flesh, appoint a man over the congregation

**Numbers 27:17**

<sup>17</sup> who will go out and come in before them, and who will lead them out and bring them in, so that the congregation of the LORD will not be like sheep without a shepherd.”

**Numbers 27:18**

<sup>18</sup> And the LORD replied to Moses, “Take Joshua son of Nun, a man with the Spirit in him, and lay your hands on him.

**Numbers 27:19**

<sup>19</sup> Have him stand before Eleazar the priest and the whole congregation, and commission him in their sight.

**Numbers 27:20**

<sup>20</sup> Confer on him some of your authority, so that the whole congregation of Israel will obey him.

**Numbers 27:21**

<sup>21</sup> He shall stand before Eleazar the priest, who will seek counsel for him before the LORD by the judgment of the Urim. At his command, he and all the Israelites with him—the entire congregation—will go out and come in.”

**Numbers 27:22**

<sup>22</sup> Moses did as the LORD had commanded him. He took Joshua, had him stand before Eleazar the priest and the whole congregation,

**Numbers 27:23**

<sup>23</sup> and laid his hands on him and commissioned him, as the LORD had instructed through Moses.

**Numbers 28:1**

<sup>1</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses,

**Numbers 28:2**

<sup>2</sup> “Command the Israelites and say to them: See that you present to Me at its appointed time the food for My food offerings, as a pleasing aroma to Me.

**Numbers 28:3**

<sup>3</sup> And tell them that this is the food offering you are to present to the LORD as a regular burnt offering each day: two unblemished year-old male lambs.

**Numbers 28:4**

<sup>4</sup> Offer one lamb in the morning and the other at twilight,

**Numbers 28:5**

<sup>5</sup> along with a tenth of an ephah of fine flour as a grain offering, mixed with a quarter hin of oil from pressed olives.

**Numbers 28:6**

<sup>6</sup> This is a regular burnt offering established at Mount Sinai as a pleasing aroma, a food offering to the LORD.

**Numbers 28:7**

<sup>7</sup> The drink offering accompanying each lamb shall be a quarter hin. Pour out the offering of fermented drink to the LORD in the sanctuary area.

**Numbers 28:8**

<sup>8</sup> And offer the second lamb at twilight, with the same grain offering and drink offering as in the morning. It is a food offering, a pleasing aroma to the LORD.

**Numbers 28:9**

<sup>9</sup> On the Sabbath day, present two unblemished year-old male lambs, accompanied by a grain offering of two-tenths of an ephah of fine flour mixed with oil, as well as a drink offering.

**Numbers 28:10**

<sup>10</sup> This is the burnt offering for every Sabbath, in addition to the regular burnt offering and its drink offering.

**Numbers 28:11**

<sup>11</sup> At the beginning of every month, you are to present to the LORD a burnt offering of two young bulls, one ram, and seven male lambs a year old, all unblemished,

**Numbers 28:12**

<sup>12</sup> along with three-tenths of an ephah of fine flour mixed with oil as a grain offering with each bull, two-tenths of an ephah of fine flour mixed with oil as a grain offering with the ram,

**Numbers 28:13**

<sup>13</sup> and a tenth of an ephah of fine flour mixed with oil as a grain offering with each lamb. This is a burnt offering, a pleasing aroma, a food offering to the LORD.

**Numbers 28:14**

<sup>14</sup> Their drink offerings shall be half a hin of wine with each bull, a third of a hin with the ram, and a quarter hin with each lamb. This is the monthly burnt offering to be made at each new moon throughout the year.

**Numbers 28:15**

<sup>15</sup> In addition to the regular burnt offering with its drink offering, one male goat is to be presented to the LORD as a sin offering.

**Numbers 28:16**

<sup>16</sup> The fourteenth day of the first month is the LORD's Passover.

**Numbers 28:17**

<sup>17</sup> On the fifteenth day of this month, there shall be a feast; for seven days unleavened bread is to be eaten.

**Numbers 28:18**

<sup>18</sup> On the first day there is to be a sacred assembly; you must not do any regular work.

**Numbers 28:19**

<sup>19</sup> Present to the LORD a food offering, a burnt offering of two young bulls, one ram, and seven male lambs a year old, all unblemished.

**Numbers 28:20**

<sup>20</sup> The grain offering shall consist of fine flour mixed with oil; offer three-tenths of an ephah with each bull, two-tenths of an ephah with the ram,

**Numbers 28:21**

<sup>21</sup> and a tenth of an ephah with each of the seven lambs.

**Numbers 28:22**

<sup>22</sup> Include one male goat as a sin offering to make atonement for you.

**Numbers 28:23**

<sup>23</sup> You are to present these in addition to the regular morning burnt offering.

**Numbers 28:24**

<sup>24</sup> Offer the same food each day for seven days as a food offering, a pleasing aroma to the LORD. It is to be offered with its drink offering and the regular burnt offering.

**Numbers 28:25**

<sup>25</sup> On the seventh day you shall hold a sacred assembly; you must not do any regular work.

**Numbers 28:26**

<sup>26</sup> On the day of firstfruits, when you present an offering of new grain to the LORD during the Feast of Weeks, you are to hold a sacred assembly; you must not do any regular work.

**Numbers 28:27**

<sup>27</sup> Present a burnt offering of two young bulls, one ram, and seven male lambs a year old as a pleasing aroma to the LORD,

**Numbers 28:28**

<sup>28</sup> together with their grain offerings of fine flour mixed with oil—three-tenths of an ephah with each bull, two-tenths of an ephah with the ram,

**Numbers 28:29**

<sup>29</sup> and a tenth of an ephah with each of the seven lambs.

**Numbers 28:30**

<sup>30</sup> Include one male goat to make atonement for you.

**Numbers 28:31**

<sup>31</sup> Offer them with their drink offerings in addition to the regular burnt offering and its grain offering. The animals must be unblemished.

**Numbers 29:1**

<sup>1</sup> “On the first day of the seventh month, you are to hold a sacred assembly, and you must not do any regular work. This will be a day for you to sound the trumpets.

**Numbers 29:2**

<sup>2</sup> As a pleasing aroma to the LORD, you are to present a burnt offering of one young bull, one ram, and seven male lambs a year old, all unblemished,

**Numbers 29:3**

<sup>3</sup> together with their grain offerings of fine flour mixed with oil—three-tenths of an ephah with the bull, two-tenths of an ephah with the ram,

**Numbers 29:4**

<sup>4</sup> and a tenth of an ephah with each of the seven male lambs.

**Numbers 29:5**

<sup>5</sup> Include one male goat as a sin offering to make atonement for you.

**Numbers 29:6**

<sup>6</sup> These are in addition to the monthly and daily burnt offerings with their prescribed grain offerings and drink offerings. They are a pleasing aroma, a food offering to the LORD.

**Numbers 29:7**

<sup>7</sup> On the tenth day of this seventh month, you are to hold a sacred assembly, and you shall humble yourselves; you must not do any work.

**Numbers 29:8**

<sup>8</sup> Present as a pleasing aroma to the LORD a burnt offering of one young bull, one ram, and seven male lambs a year old, all unblemished,

**Numbers 29:9**

<sup>9</sup> together with their grain offerings of fine flour mixed with oil—three-tenths of an ephah with the bull, two-tenths of an ephah with the ram,

**Numbers 29:10**

<sup>10</sup> and a tenth of an ephah with each of the seven lambs.

**Numbers 29:11**

<sup>11</sup> Include one male goat for a sin offering, in addition to the sin offering of atonement and the regular burnt offering with its grain offering and drink offerings.

**Numbers 29:12**

<sup>12</sup> On the fifteenth day of the seventh month, you are to hold a sacred assembly; you must not do any regular work, and you shall observe a feast to the LORD for seven days.

**Numbers 29:13**

<sup>13</sup> As a pleasing aroma to the LORD, you are to present a food offering, a burnt offering of thirteen young bulls, two rams, and fourteen male lambs a year old, all unblemished,

**Numbers 29:14**

<sup>14</sup> along with the grain offering of three-tenths of an ephah of fine flour mixed with oil with each of the thirteen bulls, two-tenths of an ephah with each of the two rams,

**Numbers 29:15**

<sup>15</sup> and a tenth of an ephah with each of the fourteen lambs.

**Numbers 29:16**

<sup>16</sup> Include one male goat as a sin offering, in addition to the regular burnt offering with its grain offering and drink offering.

**Numbers 29:17**

<sup>17</sup> On the second day you are to present twelve young bulls, two rams, and fourteen male lambs a year old, all unblemished,

**Numbers 29:18**

<sup>18</sup> along with the grain and drink offerings for the bulls, rams, and lambs, according to the number prescribed.

**Numbers 29:19**

<sup>19</sup> Include one male goat as a sin offering, in addition to the regular burnt offering with its grain offering and drink offering.

**Numbers 29:20**

<sup>20</sup> On the third day you are to present eleven bulls, two rams, and fourteen male lambs a year old, all unblemished,

**Numbers 29:21**

<sup>21</sup> along with the grain and drink offerings for the bulls, rams, and lambs, according to the number prescribed.

**Numbers 29:22**

<sup>22</sup> Include one male goat as a sin offering, in addition to the regular burnt offering with its grain offering and drink offering.

**Numbers 29:23**

<sup>23</sup> On the fourth day you are to present ten bulls, two rams, and fourteen male lambs a year old, all unblemished,

**Numbers 29:24**

<sup>24</sup> along with the grain and drink offerings for the bulls, rams, and lambs, according to the number prescribed.

**Numbers 29:25**

<sup>25</sup> Include one male goat as a sin offering, in addition to the regular burnt offering with its grain offering and drink offering.

**Numbers 29:26**

<sup>26</sup> On the fifth day you are to present nine bulls, two rams, and fourteen male lambs a year old, all unblemished,

**Numbers 29:27**

<sup>27</sup> along with the grain and drink offerings for the bulls, rams, and lambs, according to the number prescribed.

**Numbers 29:28**

<sup>28</sup> Include one male goat as a sin offering, in addition to the regular burnt offering with its grain offering and drink offering.

**Numbers 29:29**

<sup>29</sup> On the sixth day you are to present eight bulls, two rams, and fourteen male lambs a year old, all unblemished,

**Numbers 29:30**

<sup>30</sup> along with the grain and drink offerings for the bulls, rams, and lambs, according to the number prescribed.

**Numbers 29:31**

<sup>31</sup> Include one male goat as a sin offering, in addition to the regular burnt offering with its grain offering and drink offering.

**Numbers 29:32**

<sup>32</sup> On the seventh day you are to present seven bulls, two rams, and fourteen male lambs a year old, all unblemished,

**Numbers 29:33**

<sup>33</sup> along with the grain and drink offerings for the bulls, rams, and lambs, according to the number prescribed.

**Numbers 29:34**

<sup>34</sup> Include one male goat as a sin offering, in addition to the regular burnt offering with its grain offering and drink offering.

**Numbers 29:35**

<sup>35</sup> On the eighth day you are to hold a solemn assembly; you must not do any regular work.

**Numbers 29:36**

<sup>36</sup> As a pleasing aroma to the LORD, you are to present a food offering, a burnt offering of one bull, one ram, and seven male lambs a year old, all unblemished,

**Numbers 29:37**

<sup>37</sup> along with the grain and drink offerings for the bulls, rams, and lambs, according to the number prescribed.

**Numbers 29:38**

<sup>38</sup> Include one male goat as a sin offering, in addition to the regular burnt offering with its grain offering and drink offering.

**Numbers 29:39**

<sup>39</sup> You are to present these offerings to the LORD at your appointed times, in addition to your vow and freewill offerings, whether burnt offerings, grain offerings, drink offerings, or peace offerings."

**Numbers 29:40**

<sup>40</sup> So Moses spoke all this to the Israelites just as the LORD had commanded him.

**Numbers 30:1**

<sup>1</sup> Then Moses said to the heads of the tribes of Israel, "This is what the LORD has commanded:

**Numbers 30:2**

<sup>2</sup> If a man makes a vow to the LORD or swears an oath to obligate himself by a pledge, he must not break his word; he must do everything he has promised.

**Numbers 30:3**

<sup>3</sup> And if a woman in her father's house during her youth makes a vow to the LORD or obligates herself by a pledge,

**Numbers 30:4**

<sup>4</sup> and her father hears about her vow or pledge but says nothing to her, then all the vows or pledges by which she has bound herself shall stand.

**Numbers 30:5**

<sup>5</sup> But if her father prohibits her on the day he hears about it, then none of the vows or pledges by which she has bound herself shall stand. The LORD will absolve her because her father has prohibited her.

**Numbers 30:6**

<sup>6</sup> If a woman marries while under a vow or rash promise by which she has bound herself,

**Numbers 30:7**

<sup>7</sup> and her husband hears of it but says nothing to her on that day, then the vows or pledges by which she has bound herself shall stand.

**Numbers 30:8**

<sup>8</sup> But if her husband prohibits her when he hears of it, he nullifies the vow that binds her or the rash promise she has made, and the LORD will absolve her.

**Numbers 30:9**

<sup>9</sup> Every vow a widow or divorced woman pledges to fulfill is binding on her.

**Numbers 30:10**

<sup>10</sup> If a woman in her husband's house has made a vow or put herself under an obligation with an oath,

**Numbers 30:11**

<sup>11</sup> and her husband hears of it but says nothing to her and does not prohibit her, then all the vows or pledges by which she has bound herself shall stand.

**Numbers 30:12**

<sup>12</sup> But if her husband nullifies them on the day he hears of them, then nothing that came from her lips, whether her vows or pledges, shall stand. Her husband has nullified them, and the LORD will absolve her.

**Numbers 30:13**

<sup>13</sup> Her husband may confirm or nullify any vow or any sworn pledge to deny herself.

**Numbers 30:14**

<sup>14</sup> But if her husband says nothing to her from day to day, then he confirms all the vows and pledges that bind her. He has confirmed them, because he said nothing to her on the day he heard about them.

**Numbers 30:15**

<sup>15</sup> But if he nullifies them after he hears of them, then he will bear her iniquity."

**Numbers 30:16**

<sup>16</sup> These are the statutes that the LORD commanded Moses concerning the relationship between a man and his wife, and between a father and a young daughter still in his home.

**Numbers 31:1**

<sup>1</sup> And the LORD said to Moses,



**Numbers 31:2**

<sup>2</sup> “Take vengeance on the Midianites for the Israelites. After that, you will be gathered to your people.”

**Numbers 31:3**

<sup>3</sup> So Moses told the people, “Arm some of your men for war, that they may go against the Midianites and execute the LORD’s vengeance on them.

**Numbers 31:4**

<sup>4</sup> Send into battle a thousand men from each tribe of Israel.”

**Numbers 31:5**

<sup>5</sup> So a thousand men were recruited from each tribe of Israel—twelve thousand armed for war.

**Numbers 31:6**

<sup>6</sup> And Moses sent the thousand from each tribe into battle, along with Phinehas son of Eleazar the priest, who took with him the vessels of the sanctuary and the trumpets for signaling.

**Numbers 31:7**

<sup>7</sup> Then they waged war against Midian, as the LORD had commanded Moses, and they killed every male.

**Numbers 31:8**

<sup>8</sup> Among the slain were Evi, Rekem, Zur, Hur, and Reba—the five kings of Midian. They also killed Balaam son of Beor with the sword.

**Numbers 31:9**

<sup>9</sup> The Israelites captured the Midianite women and their children, and they plundered all their herds, flocks, and goods.

**Numbers 31:10**

<sup>10</sup> Then they burned all the cities where the Midianites had lived, as well as all their encampments,

**Numbers 31:11**

<sup>11</sup> and carried away all the plunder and spoils, both people and animals.

**Numbers 31:12**

<sup>12</sup> They brought the captives, spoils, and plunder to Moses, to Eleazar the priest, and to the congregation of Israel at the camp on the plains of Moab, by the Jordan across from Jericho.

**Numbers 31:13**

<sup>13</sup> And Moses, Eleazar the priest, and all the leaders of the congregation went to meet them outside the camp.

**Numbers 31:14**

<sup>14</sup> But Moses was angry with the officers of the army—the commanders of thousands and commanders of hundreds—who were returning from the battle.

**Numbers 31:15**

<sup>15</sup> “Have you spared all the women?” he asked them.

**Numbers 31:16**

<sup>16</sup> “Look, these women caused the sons of Israel, through the counsel of Balaam, to turn unfaithfully against the LORD at Peor, so that the plague struck the congregation of the LORD.

**Numbers 31:17**

<sup>17</sup> So now, kill all the boys, as well as every woman who has had relations with a man,

**Numbers 31:18**

<sup>18</sup> but spare for yourselves every girl who has never had relations with a man.

**Numbers 31:19**

<sup>19</sup> All of you who have killed a person or touched the dead are to remain outside the camp for seven days. On the third day and the seventh day you are to purify both yourselves and your captives.

**Numbers 31:20**

<sup>20</sup> And purify every garment and leather good, everything made of goat's hair, and every article of wood."

**Numbers 31:21**

<sup>21</sup> Then Eleazar the priest said to the soldiers who had gone into battle, "This is the statute of the law which the LORD has commanded Moses:

**Numbers 31:22**

<sup>22</sup> Only the gold, silver, bronze, iron, tin, and lead—

**Numbers 31:23**

<sup>23</sup> everything that can withstand the fire—must be put through the fire, and it will be clean. But it must still be purified with the water of purification. And everything that cannot withstand the fire must pass through the water.

**Numbers 31:24**

<sup>24</sup> On the seventh day you are to wash your clothes, and you will be clean. After that you may enter the camp."

**Numbers 31:25**

<sup>25</sup> The LORD said to Moses,

**Numbers 31:26**

<sup>26</sup> "You and Eleazar the priest and the family heads of the congregation are to take a count of what was captured, both of man and beast.

**Numbers 31:27**

<sup>27</sup> Then divide the captives between the troops who went out to battle and the rest of the congregation.

**Numbers 31:28**

<sup>28</sup> Set aside a tribute for the LORD from what belongs to the soldiers who went into battle: one out of every five hundred, whether persons, cattle, donkeys, or sheep.

**Numbers 31:29**

<sup>29</sup> Take it from their half and give it to Eleazar the priest as an offering to the LORD.

**Numbers 31:30**

<sup>30</sup> From the Israelites' half, take one out of every fifty, whether persons, cattle, donkeys, sheep, or other animals, and give them to the Levites who keep charge of the tabernacle of the LORD."

**Numbers 31:31**

<sup>31</sup> So Moses and Eleazar the priest did as the LORD had commanded Moses,

**Numbers 31:32**

<sup>32</sup> and this plunder remained from the spoils the soldiers had taken: 675,000 sheep,

**Numbers 31:33**

<sup>33</sup> 72,000 cattle,

**Numbers 31:34**

<sup>34</sup> 61,000 donkeys,

**Numbers 31:35**

<sup>35</sup> and 32,000 women who had not slept with a man.

**Numbers 31:36**

<sup>36</sup> This was the half portion for those who had gone to war: 337,500 sheep,

**Numbers 31:37**

<sup>37</sup> including a tribute to the LORD of 675,

**Numbers 31:38**

<sup>38</sup> 36,000 cattle, including a tribute to the LORD of 72,

**Numbers 31:39**

<sup>39</sup> 30,500 donkeys, including a tribute to the LORD of 61,

**Numbers 31:40**

<sup>40</sup> and 16,000 people, including a tribute to the LORD of 32.

**Numbers 31:41**

<sup>41</sup> Moses gave the tribute to Eleazar the priest as an offering for the LORD, as the LORD had commanded Moses.

**Numbers 31:42**

<sup>42</sup> From the Israelites' half, which Moses had set apart from the men who had gone to war,

**Numbers 31:43**

<sup>43</sup> this half belonged to the congregation: 337,500 sheep,

**Numbers 31:44**

<sup>44</sup> 36,000 cattle,

**Numbers 31:45**

<sup>45</sup> 30,500 donkeys,

**Numbers 31:46**

<sup>46</sup> and 16,000 people.

**Numbers 31:47**

<sup>47</sup> From the Israelites' half, Moses took one out of every fifty persons and animals and gave them to the Levites who kept charge of the tabernacle of the LORD, as the LORD had commanded him.

**Numbers 31:48**

<sup>48</sup> Then the officers who were over the units of the army—the commanders of thousands and of hundreds—approached Moses

**Numbers 31:49**

<sup>49</sup> and said, "Your servants have counted the soldiers under our command, and not one of us is missing.

**Numbers 31:50**

<sup>50</sup> So we have brought to the LORD an offering of the gold articles each man acquired—armlets,

bracelets, rings, earrings, and necklaces—to make atonement for ourselves before the LORD.”

### Numbers 31:51

<sup>51</sup> So Moses and Eleazar the priest received from them all the articles made out of gold.

### Numbers 31:52

<sup>52</sup> All the gold that the commanders of thousands and of hundreds presented as an offering to the LORD weighed 16,750 shekels.

### Numbers 31:53

<sup>53</sup> Each of the soldiers had taken plunder for himself.

### Numbers 31:54

<sup>54</sup> And Moses and Eleazar the priest received the gold from the commanders of thousands and of hundreds and brought it into the Tent of Meeting as a memorial for the Israelites before the LORD.

### Numbers 32:1

<sup>1</sup> Now the Reubenites and Gadites, who had very large herds and flocks, surveyed the lands of Jazer and Gilead, and they saw that the region was suitable for livestock.

### Numbers 32:2

<sup>2</sup> So the Gadites and Reubenites came to Moses, Eleazar the priest, and the leaders of the congregation, and said,

### Numbers 32:3

<sup>3</sup> “Ataroth, Dibon, Jazer, Nimrah, Heshbon, Elealeh, Sebam, Nebo, and Beon,

### Numbers 32:4

<sup>4</sup> which the LORD conquered before the congregation of Israel, are suitable for livestock—and your servants have livestock.”

### Numbers 32:5

<sup>5</sup> “If we have found favor in your sight,” they said, “let this land be given to your servants as a possession. Do not make us cross the Jordan.”

### Numbers 32:6

<sup>6</sup> But Moses asked the Gadites and Reubenites, “Shall your brothers go to war while you sit here?”

### Numbers 32:7

<sup>7</sup> Why are you discouraging the Israelites from crossing into the land that the LORD has given them?

### Numbers 32:8

<sup>8</sup> This is what your fathers did when I sent them from Kadesh-barnea to inspect the land.

### Numbers 32:9

<sup>9</sup> For when your fathers went up to the Valley of Eshcol and saw the land, they discouraged the Israelites from entering the land that the LORD had given them.

### Numbers 32:10

<sup>10</sup> So the anger of the LORD was kindled that day, and He swore an oath, saying,

### Numbers 32:11

<sup>11</sup> ‘Because they did not follow Me wholeheartedly, not one of the men twenty years of age or older who came out of Egypt will see the land that I swore to give Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob—

**Numbers 32:12**

<sup>12</sup> not one except Caleb son of Jephunneh the Kenizzite and Joshua son of Nun—because they did follow the LORD wholeheartedly.’

**Numbers 32:13**

<sup>13</sup> The anger of the LORD burned against Israel, and He made them wander in the wilderness forty years, until the whole generation who had done evil in His sight was gone.

**Numbers 32:14**

<sup>14</sup> Now behold, you, a brood of sinners, have risen up in place of your fathers to further stoke the burning anger of the LORD against Israel.

**Numbers 32:15**

<sup>15</sup> For if you turn away from following Him, He will once again leave this people in the wilderness, and you will be the cause of their destruction.”

**Numbers 32:16**

<sup>16</sup> Then the Gadites and Reubenites approached Moses and said, “We want to build sheepfolds here for our livestock and cities for our little ones.

**Numbers 32:17**

<sup>17</sup> But we will arm ourselves and be ready to go ahead of the Israelites until we have brought them into their place. Meanwhile, our little ones will remain in the fortified cities for protection from the inhabitants of the land.

**Numbers 32:18**

<sup>18</sup> We will not return to our homes until every Israelite has taken possession of his inheritance.

**Numbers 32:19**

<sup>19</sup> Yet we will not have an inheritance with them across the Jordan and beyond, because our inheritance has come to us on the east side of the Jordan.”

**Numbers 32:20**

<sup>20</sup> Moses replied, “If you will do this—if you will arm yourselves before the LORD for battle,

**Numbers 32:21**

<sup>21</sup> and if every one of your armed men crosses the Jordan before the LORD, until He has driven His enemies out before Him,

**Numbers 32:22**

<sup>22</sup> then when the land is subdued before the LORD, you may return and be free of obligation to the LORD and to Israel. And this land will belong to you as a possession before the LORD.

**Numbers 32:23**

<sup>23</sup> But if you do not do this, you will certainly sin against the LORD—and be assured that your sin will find you out.

**Numbers 32:24**

<sup>24</sup> Build cities for your little ones and folds for your flocks, but do what you have promised.”

**Numbers 32:25**

<sup>25</sup> The Gadites and Reubenites said to Moses, “Your servants will do just as our lord commands.

**Numbers 32:26**

<sup>26</sup> Our children, our wives, our livestock, and all our animals will remain here in the cities of Gilead.

**Numbers 32:27**

<sup>27</sup> But your servants are equipped for war, and every man will cross over to the battle before the LORD, just as our lord says.”

**Numbers 32:28**

<sup>28</sup> So Moses gave orders about them to Eleazar the priest, to Joshua son of Nun, and to the family leaders of the tribes of Israel.

**Numbers 32:29**

<sup>29</sup> And Moses said to them, “If the Gadites and Reubenites cross the Jordan with you, with every man armed for battle before the LORD, and the land is subdued before you, then you are to give them the land of Gilead as a possession.

**Numbers 32:30**

<sup>30</sup> But if they do not arm themselves and go across with you, then they must accept their possession among you in the land of Canaan.”

**Numbers 32:31**

<sup>31</sup> The Gadites and Reubenites replied, “As the LORD has spoken to your servants, so we will do.

**Numbers 32:32**

<sup>32</sup> We will cross over into the land of Canaan armed before the LORD, that we may have our inheritance on this side of the Jordan.”

**Numbers 32:33**

<sup>33</sup> So Moses gave to the Gadites, to the Reubenites, and to the half-tribe of Manasseh son of Joseph the kingdom of Sihon king of the Amorites and the kingdom of Og king of Bashan—the land including its cities and the territory surrounding them.

**Numbers 32:34**

<sup>34</sup> And the Gadites built up Dibon, Ataroth, Aroer,

**Numbers 32:35**

<sup>35</sup> Atroth-shophan, Jazer, Jogbehah,

**Numbers 32:36**

<sup>36</sup> Beth-nimrah, and Beth-haran as fortified cities, and they built folds for their flocks.

**Numbers 32:37**

<sup>37</sup> The Reubenites built up Heshbon, Elealeh, Kiriathaim,

**Numbers 32:38**

<sup>38</sup> as well as Nebo and Baal-meon (whose names were changed), and Sibmah. And they renamed the cities they rebuilt.

**Numbers 32:39**

<sup>39</sup> The descendants of Machir son of Manasseh went to Gilead, captured it, and drove out the Amorites who were there.

**Numbers 32:40**

<sup>40</sup> So Moses gave Gilead to the clan of Machir son of Manasseh, and they settled there.

**Numbers 32:41**

<sup>41</sup> Jair, a descendant of Manasseh, went and captured their villages and called them Havvoth-jair.

**Numbers 32:42**

<sup>42</sup> And Nobah went and captured Kenath and its villages and called it Nobah, after his own name.

**Numbers 33:1**

<sup>1</sup> These are the journeys of the Israelites when they came out of the land of Egypt by their divisions under the leadership of Moses and Aaron.

**Numbers 33:2**

<sup>2</sup> At the LORD's command, Moses recorded the stages of their journey. These are the stages listed by their starting points:

**Numbers 33:3**

<sup>3</sup> On the fifteenth day of the first month, on the day after the Passover, the Israelites set out from Rameses. They marched out defiantly in full view of all the Egyptians,

**Numbers 33:4**

<sup>4</sup> who were burying all their firstborn, whom the LORD had struck down among them; for the LORD had executed judgment against their gods.

**Numbers 33:5**

<sup>5</sup> The Israelites set out from Rameses and camped at Succoth.

**Numbers 33:6**

<sup>6</sup> They set out from Succoth and camped at Etham, on the edge of the wilderness.

**Numbers 33:7**

<sup>7</sup> They set out from Etham and turned back to Pi-hahiroth, opposite Baal-zephon, and they camped near Migdol.

**Numbers 33:8**

<sup>8</sup> They set out from Pi-hahiroth and crossed through the sea, into the wilderness, and they journeyed three days into the Wilderness of Etham and camped at Marah.

**Numbers 33:9**

<sup>9</sup> They set out from Marah and came to Elim, where there were twelve springs and seventy palm trees, and they camped there.

**Numbers 33:10**

<sup>10</sup> They set out from Elim and camped by the Red Sea.

**Numbers 33:11**

<sup>11</sup> They set out from the Red Sea and camped in the Desert of Sin.

**Numbers 33:12**

<sup>12</sup> They set out from the Desert of Sin and camped at Dophkah.

**Numbers 33:13**

<sup>13</sup> They set out from Dophkah and camped at Alush.

**Numbers 33:14**

<sup>14</sup> They set out from Alush and camped at Rephidim, where there was no water for the people to drink.

**Numbers 33:15**

<sup>15</sup> They set out from Rephidim and camped in the Wilderness of Sinai.

**Numbers 33:16**

<sup>16</sup> They set out from the Wilderness of Sinai and camped at Kibroth-hattaavah.

**Numbers 33:17**

<sup>17</sup> They set out from Kibroth-hattaavah and camped at Hazeroth.

**Numbers 33:18**

<sup>18</sup> They set out from Hazeroth and camped at Rithmah.

**Numbers 33:19**

<sup>19</sup> They set out from Rithmah and camped at Rimmon-perez.

**Numbers 33:20**

<sup>20</sup> They set out from Rimmon-perez and camped at Libnah.

**Numbers 33:21**

<sup>21</sup> They set out from Libnah and camped at Rissah.

**Numbers 33:22**

<sup>22</sup> They set out from Rissah and camped at Kehelathah.

**Numbers 33:23**

<sup>23</sup> They set out from Kehelathah and camped at Mount Shepher.

**Numbers 33:24**

<sup>24</sup> They set out from Mount Shepher and camped at Haradah.

**Numbers 33:25**

<sup>25</sup> They set out from Haradah and camped at Makheloth.

**Numbers 33:26**

<sup>26</sup> They set out from Makheloth and camped at Tahath.

**Numbers 33:27**

<sup>27</sup> They set out from Tahath and camped at Terah.

**Numbers 33:28**

<sup>28</sup> They set out from Terah and camped at Mithkah.

**Numbers 33:29**

<sup>29</sup> They set out from Mithkah and camped at Hashmonah.

**Numbers 33:30**

<sup>30</sup> They set out from Hashmonah and camped at Moseroth.

**Numbers 33:31**

<sup>31</sup> They set out from Moseroth and camped at Bene-jaakan.

**Numbers 33:32**

<sup>32</sup> They set out from Bene-jaakan and camped at Hor-haggidgad.

**Numbers 33:33**

<sup>33</sup> They set out from Hor-haggidgad and camped at Jotbathah.



**Numbers 33:34**

<sup>34</sup> They set out from Jotbathah and camped at Abironah.

**Numbers 33:35**

<sup>35</sup> They set out from Abironah and camped at Ezion-geber.

**Numbers 33:36**

<sup>36</sup> They set out from Ezion-geber and camped at Kadesh in the Wilderness of Zin.

**Numbers 33:37**

<sup>37</sup> They set out from Kadesh and camped at Mount Hor, on the outskirts of the land of Edom.

**Numbers 33:38**

<sup>38</sup> At the LORD's command, Aaron the priest climbed Mount Hor and died there on the first day of the fifth month, in the fortieth year after the Israelites had come out of the land of Egypt.

**Numbers 33:39**

<sup>39</sup> Aaron was 123 years old when he died on Mount Hor.

**Numbers 33:40**

<sup>40</sup> Now the Canaanite king of Arad, who lived in the Negev in the land of Canaan, heard that the Israelites were coming.

**Numbers 33:41**

<sup>41</sup> And the Israelites set out from Mount Hor and camped at Zalmonah.

**Numbers 33:42**

<sup>42</sup> They set out from Zalmonah and camped at Punon.

**Numbers 33:43**

<sup>43</sup> They set out from Punon and camped at Oboth.

**Numbers 33:44**

<sup>44</sup> They set out from Oboth and camped at Iye-abarim on the border of Moab.

**Numbers 33:45**

<sup>45</sup> They set out from Iyim and camped at Dibon-gad.

**Numbers 33:46**

<sup>46</sup> They set out from Dibon-gad and camped at Almon-diblathaim.

**Numbers 33:47**

<sup>47</sup> They set out from Almon-diblathaim and camped in the mountains of Abarim facing Nebo.

**Numbers 33:48**

<sup>48</sup> They set out from the mountains of Abarim and camped on the plains of Moab by the Jordan across from Jericho.

**Numbers 33:49**

<sup>49</sup> And there on the plains of Moab they camped by the Jordan, from Beth-jeshimoth to Abel-shittim.

**Numbers 33:50**

<sup>50</sup> On the plains of Moab by the Jordan across from Jericho, the LORD said to Moses,

**Numbers 33:51**

<sup>51</sup> “Speak to the Israelites and tell them: When you cross the Jordan into the land of Canaan,

**Numbers 33:52**

<sup>52</sup> you must drive out before you all the inhabitants of the land, destroy all their carved images and cast idols, and demolish all their high places.

**Numbers 33:53**

<sup>53</sup> You are to take possession of the land and settle in it, for I have given you the land to possess.

**Numbers 33:54**

<sup>54</sup> And you are to divide the land by lot according to your clans. Give a larger inheritance to a larger clan and a smaller inheritance to a smaller one. Whatever falls to each one by lot will be his. You will receive an inheritance according to the tribes of your fathers.

**Numbers 33:55**

<sup>55</sup> But if you do not drive out the inhabitants of the land before you, those you allow to remain will become barbs in your eyes and thorns in your sides; they will harass you in the land where you settle.

**Numbers 33:56**

<sup>56</sup> And then I will do to you what I had planned to do to them.”

**Numbers 34:1**

<sup>1</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses,

**Numbers 34:2**

<sup>2</sup> “Command the Israelites and say to them: When you enter the land of Canaan, it will be allotted to you as an inheritance with these boundaries:

**Numbers 34:3**

<sup>3</sup> Your southern border will extend from the Wilderness of Zin along the border of Edom. On the east, your southern border will run from the end of the Salt Sea,

**Numbers 34:4**

<sup>4</sup> cross south of the Ascent of Akrabbim, continue to Zin, and go south of Kadesh-barnea. Then it will go on to Hazar-addar and proceed to Azmon,

**Numbers 34:5**

<sup>5</sup> where it will turn from Azmon, join the Brook of Egypt, and end at the Sea.

**Numbers 34:6**

<sup>6</sup> Your western border will be the coastline of the Great Sea; this will be your boundary on the west.

**Numbers 34:7**

<sup>7</sup> Your northern border will run from the Great Sea directly to Mount Hor,

**Numbers 34:8**

<sup>8</sup> and from Mount Hor to Lebo-hamath, then extend to Zedad,

**Numbers 34:9**

<sup>9</sup> continue to Ziphron, and end at Hazar-enan. This will be your boundary on the north.

**Numbers 34:10**

<sup>10</sup> And your eastern border will run straight from Hazar-enan to Shepham,

**Numbers 34:11**

<sup>11</sup> then go down from Shepham to Riblah on the east side of Ain and continue along the slopes east of the Sea of Chinnereth.

**Numbers 34:12**

<sup>12</sup> Then the border will go down along the Jordan and end at the Salt Sea. This will be your land, defined by its borders on all sides.”

**Numbers 34:13**

<sup>13</sup> So Moses commanded the Israelites, “Apportion this land by lot as an inheritance. The LORD has commanded that it be given to the nine and a half tribes.

**Numbers 34:14**

<sup>14</sup> For the tribes of the Reubenites and Gadites, along with the half-tribe of Manasseh, have already received their inheritance.

**Numbers 34:15**

<sup>15</sup> These two and a half tribes have received their inheritance across the Jordan from Jericho, toward the sunrise.”

**Numbers 34:16**

<sup>16</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses,

**Numbers 34:17**

<sup>17</sup> “These are the names of the men who are to assign the land as an inheritance for you: Eleazar the priest and Joshua son of Nun.

**Numbers 34:18**

<sup>18</sup> Appoint one leader from each tribe to distribute the land.

**Numbers 34:19**

<sup>19</sup> These are their names: Caleb son of Jephunneh from the tribe of Judah;

**Numbers 34:20**

<sup>20</sup> Shemuel son of Ammihud from the tribe of Simeon;

**Numbers 34:21**

<sup>21</sup> Elidad son of Chislon from the tribe of Benjamin;

**Numbers 34:22**

<sup>22</sup> Bukki son of Jogli, a leader from the tribe of Dan;

**Numbers 34:23**

<sup>23</sup> Hanniel son of Ephod, a leader from the tribe of Manasseh son of Joseph;

**Numbers 34:24**

<sup>24</sup> Kemuel son of Shiphtan, a leader from the tribe of Ephraim;

**Numbers 34:25**

<sup>25</sup> Eli-zaphan son of Parnach, a leader from the tribe of Zebulun;

**Numbers 34:26**

<sup>26</sup> Paltiel son of Azzan, a leader from the tribe of Issachar;

**Numbers 34:27**

<sup>27</sup> Ahihud son of Shelomi, a leader from the tribe of Asher;

**Numbers 34:28**

<sup>28</sup> and Pedahel son of Ammihud, a leader from the tribe of Naphtali.”

**Numbers 34:29**

<sup>29</sup> These are the ones whom the LORD commanded to apportion the inheritance to the Israelites in the land of Canaan.

**Numbers 35:1**

<sup>1</sup> Again the LORD spoke to Moses on the plains of Moab by the Jordan across from Jericho:

**Numbers 35:2**

<sup>2</sup> “Command the Israelites to give, from the inheritance they will possess, cities for the Levites to live in and pasturelands around the cities.

**Numbers 35:3**

<sup>3</sup> The cities will be for them to live in, and the pasturelands will be for their herds, their flocks, and all their other livestock.

**Numbers 35:4**

<sup>4</sup> The pasturelands around the cities you are to give the Levites will extend a thousand cubits from the wall on every side.

**Numbers 35:5**

<sup>5</sup> You are also to measure two thousand cubits outside the city on the east, two thousand on the south, two thousand on the west, and two thousand on the north, with the city in the center. These

areas will serve as larger pasturelands for the cities.

**Numbers 35:6**

<sup>6</sup> Six of the cities you give the Levites are to be appointed as cities of refuge, to which a manslayer may flee. In addition to these, give the Levites forty-two other cities.

**Numbers 35:7**

<sup>7</sup> The total number of cities you give the Levites will be forty-eight, with their corresponding pasturelands.

**Numbers 35:8**

<sup>8</sup> The cities that you apportion from the territory of the Israelites should be given to the Levites in proportion to the inheritance of each tribe: more from a larger tribe and less from a smaller one.”

**Numbers 35:9**

<sup>9</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses,

**Numbers 35:10**

<sup>10</sup> “Speak to the Israelites and tell them: When you cross the Jordan into the land of Canaan,

**Numbers 35:11**

<sup>11</sup> designate cities to serve as your cities of refuge, so that a person who kills someone unintentionally may flee there.

**Numbers 35:12**

<sup>12</sup> You are to have these cities as a refuge from the avenger, so that the manslayer will not die until he stands trial before the assembly.

**Numbers 35:13**

<sup>13</sup> The cities you select will be your six cities of refuge.

**Numbers 35:14**

<sup>14</sup> Select three cities across the Jordan and three in the land of Canaan as cities of refuge.

**Numbers 35:15**

<sup>15</sup> These six cities will serve as a refuge for the Israelites and for the foreigner or stranger among them, so that anyone who kills a person unintentionally may flee there.

**Numbers 35:16**

<sup>16</sup> If, however, anyone strikes a person with an iron object and kills him, he is a murderer; the murderer must surely be put to death.

**Numbers 35:17**

<sup>17</sup> Or if anyone has in his hand a stone of deadly size, and he strikes and kills another, he is a murderer; the murderer must surely be put to death.

**Numbers 35:18**

<sup>18</sup> If anyone has in his hand a deadly object of wood, and he strikes and kills another, he is a murderer; the murderer must surely be put to death.

**Numbers 35:19**

<sup>19</sup> The avenger of blood is to put the murderer to death; when he finds him, he is to kill him.

**Numbers 35:20**

<sup>20</sup> Likewise, if anyone maliciously pushes another or intentionally throws an object at him and kills him,

**Numbers 35:21**

<sup>21</sup> or if in hostility he strikes him with his hand and he dies, the one who struck him must surely be put to death; he is a murderer. When the avenger of blood finds the murderer, he is to kill him.

**Numbers 35:22**

<sup>22</sup> But if anyone pushes a person suddenly, without hostility, or throws an object at him unintentionally,

**Numbers 35:23**

<sup>23</sup> or without looking drops a heavy stone that kills him, but he was not an enemy and did not intend to harm him,

**Numbers 35:24**

<sup>24</sup> then the congregation must judge between the slayer and the avenger of blood according to these ordinances.

**Numbers 35:25**

<sup>25</sup> The assembly is to protect the manslayer from the hand of the avenger of blood. Then the assembly will return him to the city of refuge to which he fled, and he must live there until the death of the high priest, who was anointed with the holy oil.

**Numbers 35:26**

<sup>26</sup> But if the manslayer ever goes outside the limits of the city of refuge to which he fled

**Numbers 35:27**

<sup>27</sup> and the avenger of blood finds him outside of his city of refuge and kills him, then the avenger will not be guilty of bloodshed,

**Numbers 35:28**

<sup>28</sup> because the manslayer must remain in his city of refuge until the death of the high priest. Only after the death of the high priest may he return to the land he owns.

**Numbers 35:29**

<sup>29</sup> This will be a statutory ordinance for you for the generations to come, wherever you live.

**Numbers 35:30**

<sup>30</sup> If anyone kills a person, the murderer is to be put to death on the testimony of the witnesses. But no one is to be put to death based on the testimony of a lone witness.

**Numbers 35:31**

<sup>31</sup> You are not to accept a ransom for the life of a murderer who deserves to die; he must surely be put to death.

**Numbers 35:32**

<sup>32</sup> Nor should you accept a ransom for the person who flees to a city of refuge and allow him to return and live on his own land before the death of the high priest.

**Numbers 35:33**

<sup>33</sup> Do not pollute the land where you live, for bloodshed pollutes the land, and no atonement can be made for the land on which the blood is shed, except by the blood of the one who shed it.

**Numbers 35:34**

<sup>34</sup> Do not defile the land where you live and where I dwell. For I, the LORD, dwell among the Israelites."

**Numbers 36:1**

<sup>1</sup> Now the family heads of the clan of Gilead son of Machir son of Manasseh, one of the clans of Joseph, approached Moses and the leaders who were the heads of the Israelite families and addressed them,

**Numbers 36:2**

<sup>2</sup> saying, "When the LORD commanded my lord to give the land as an inheritance to the Israelites by lot, He also commanded him to give the inheritance of our brother Zelophehad to his daughters.

**Numbers 36:3**

<sup>3</sup> But if they marry any of the men from the other tribes of Israel, their inheritance will be withdrawn from the portion of our fathers and added to the tribe into which they marry. So our allotted inheritance would be taken away.

**Numbers 36:4**

<sup>4</sup> And when the Jubilee for the Israelites comes, their inheritance will be added to the tribe into which they marry and taken away from the tribe of our fathers."

**Numbers 36:5**

<sup>5</sup> So at the word of the LORD, Moses commanded the Israelites: "The tribe of the sons of Joseph speaks correctly.

**Numbers 36:6**

<sup>6</sup> This is what the LORD has commanded concerning the daughters of Zelophehad: They may marry anyone they please, provided they marry within a clan of the tribe of their father.

**Numbers 36:7**

<sup>7</sup> No inheritance in Israel may be transferred from tribe to tribe, because each of the Israelites is to retain the inheritance of the tribe of his fathers.

**Numbers 36:8**

<sup>8</sup> Every daughter who possesses an inheritance from any Israelite tribe must marry within a clan of the tribe of her father, so that every Israelite will possess the inheritance of his fathers.

**Numbers 36:9**

<sup>9</sup> No inheritance may be transferred from one tribe to another, for each tribe of Israel must retain its inheritance.”

**Numbers 36:10**

<sup>10</sup> So the daughters of Zelophehad did as the LORD had commanded Moses.

**Numbers 36:11**

<sup>11</sup> Mahlah, Tirzah, Hoglah, Milcah, and Noah, the daughters of Zelophehad, were married to cousins on their father’s side.

**Numbers 36:12**

<sup>12</sup> They married within the clans of the descendants of Manasseh son of Joseph, and their inheritance remained within the tribe of their father’s clan.

**Numbers 36:13**

<sup>13</sup> These are the commandments and ordinances that the LORD gave the Israelites through Moses on the plains of Moab by the Jordan across from Jericho.