# Numbers

- ¶1. And Jehovah spoke to Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, in the tent of meeting, on the first day of the second month of the second year after their coming out of the land of Egypt, saying,
- 2. "Take the sum of the whole congregation of the children of Israel, by their families, by the house of their fathers, by the number of names of every male, by their polls,
- 3. twenty years old and above, everyone in Israel who goes out in the host; you and Aaron shall number them by their hosts.
- 4. And with you shall be a man from each tribe, each a head of his father's house.
- 5. And these are the names of the men who shall stand with *y*ou: from Reuben, Elizur ben-Shedeur;
- 6. from Simeon, Shelumiel ben-Zurishaddai;
- 7. from Judah, Nahshon ben-Amminadab;
- 8. from Issachar, Nethaneel ben-Zuar;
- 9. from Zebulun, Eliab ben-Helon;
- 10. of the children of Joseph: from Ephraim, Elishama ben-Ammihud; from Manasseh, Gamaliel ben-Pedahzur;
- 11. from Benjamin, Abidan ben-Gideoni;
- 12. from Dan, Ahiezer ben-Ammishadai;
- 13. from Asher, Pagiel ben-Ochran;
- 14. from Gad, Eliasaph ben-Deuel;
- 15. from Naphtali, Ahira ben-Enan."
- 16. These were those called from the congregation, princes of the tribes of their fathers; they were heads of thousands in Israel.
- 17. And Moses and Aaron took these men who had been designated by their names.
- 18. And they assembled the whole congregation on the first day of the second month, and they declared the lineage of their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of names of those twenty years and above, by their polls,
- 19. just as Jehovah commanded Moses. And he numbered them in the wilderness of Sinai.
- ¶20. And they were: The sons of Reuben, firstborn of Israel, their generations, by their families, by the house of their fathers, by the number of names, by their polls, every male twenty years old and above, all who go forth to war,
- 21. those numbered of the tribe of Reuben: forty-six thousand five hundred.
- ¶22. The sons of Simeon, their generations, by their families, by the house of their fathers, his numberings by the number of names, by their polls, every male twenty years old and above, all who go forth to war,
- 23. those numbered of the tribe of Simeon: fifty-nine thousand three hundred.

¶24. The sons of Gad, their generations, by their families, by the house of their fathers, by the number of names, twenty years old and above, all who go forth to war,

- 25. those numbered of the tribe of Gad: forty-five thousand six hundred and fifty.
- ¶26. The sons of Judah, their generations, by their families, by the house of their fathers, by the number of names, twenty years old and above, all who go forth to war,
- 27. those numbered of the tribe of Judah: seventy-four thousand six hundred.
- ¶28. The sons of Issachar, their generations, by their families, by the house of their fathers, by the number of names, twenty years old and above, all who go forth to war,
- 29. those numbered of the tribe of Issachar: fifty-four thousand four hundred.
- ¶30. The sons of Zebulun, their generations, by their families, by the house of their fathers, by the number of names, twenty years old and above, all who go forth to war,
- 31. those numbered of the tribe of Zebulun: fifty-seven thousand four hundred.
- ¶32. Of the sons of Joseph: The sons of Ephraim, their generations, by their families, by the house of their fathers, by the number of names, twenty years old and above, all who go forth to war,
- 33. those numbered of the tribe of Ephraim: forty thousand five hundred.
- 34. The sons of Manasseh, their generations, by their families, by the house of their fathers, by the number of names, twenty years old and above, all who go forth to war,
- 35. those numbered of the tribe of Manasseh: thirty-two thousand two hundred.
- ¶36. The sons of Benjamin, their generations, by their families, by the house of their fathers, by the number of names, twenty years old and above, all who go forth to war,
- 37. those numbered of the tribe of Benjamin: thirty-five thousand four hundred.
- ¶38. The sons of Dan, their generations, by their families, by the house of their fathers, by the number of names, twenty years old and above, all who go forth to war,
- 39. those numbered of the tribe of Dan: sixty-two thousand seven hundred.
- ¶40. The sons of Asher, their generations, by their families, by the house of their fathers, by the number of names, twenty years old and above, all who go forth to war,
- 41. those numbered of the tribe of Asher: forty-one thousand five hundred.
- ¶42. The sons of Naphtali, their generations, by their families, by the house of their fathers, by the number of names, twenty years old and above, all who go forth to war,
- 43. those numbered of the tribe of Naphtali: fifty-three thousand four hundred.
- ¶44. These were those numbered, which Moses, and Aaron, and the princes of Israel (twelve men, one each for the house of his fathers) numbered.
- 45. And all who were numbered of the sons of Israel, by the house of their fathers, twenty years old and above, all in Israel who go forth to war,
- 46. even all who were numbered were six hundred and three thousand, five hundred and fifty.

- ¶47. But the Levites were not numbered among them by the tribe of their fathers,
- 48. for Jehovah had spoken to Moses, saying,
- 49. "Except that you shall neither number the tribe of Levi nor count them with the children of Israel,
- 50. but you shall appoint the Levites to be over the tabernacle of the testimony, and over all its accourrements, and over all that pertains to it. They shall bear the tabernacle and all its accourrements, and they shall do the service of it, and they shall camp round about the tabernacle.
- 51. And when the tabernacle is to set out, the Levites shall take it down, and when the tabernacle is to be pitched, the Levites shall set it up; and a stranger who comes near shall be put to death.
- 52. And the children of Israel shall camp, each *tribe* within its encampment, with each by its standard, according to their hosts.
- 53. But the Levites shall camp round about the tabernacle of the testimony, that there be no wrath upon the congregation of the children of Israel; and the Levites shall keep charge of the tabernacle of the testimony."
- 54. And the children of Israel did so; according to all that Jehovah commanded Moses, so they did.

- ¶1. And Jehovah spoke to Moses and to Aaron, saying,
- 2. "Each *tribe* of the children of Israel shall camp by its standard, with banners according to the house of their fathers; they shall camp at a distance round about the tent of meeting.
- 3. And those encamping eastward, toward the sunrise, shall be of the standard of the camp of Judah, according to their hosts. And the prince of the children of Judah shall be Nahshon ben-Amminadab.
- 4. And his host, those that were numbered of them, were seventy-four thousand six hundred.
- 5. And those encamped by him shall be of the tribe of Issachar. And the prince of the children of Issachar shall be Nethaneel ben-Zuar.
- 6. And his host, those that were numbered of it, were fifty-four thousand four hundred.
- 7. Then the tribe of Zebulun. And the prince of the children of Zebulun shall be Eliab ben-Helon.
- 8. And his host, those that were numbered of it, were fifty-seven thousand four hundred.
- 9. All who were numbered of the camp of Judah were one hundred eighty-six thousand four hundred, according to their hosts. They shall set out first.
- ¶10. "The standard of the camp of Reuben shall be southward, according to their hosts. And the prince of the children of Reuben shall be Elizur ben-Shedeur.
- 11. And his host, those that were numbered of it, were forty-six thousand five hundred.

12. And encamped beside him, the tribe of Simeon. And the prince of the children of Simeon shall be Shelumiel ben-Zuri·shaddai.

- 13. And his host, those that were numbered of them, were fifty-nine thousand three hundred.
- 14. Then the tribe of Gad. And the prince of the children of Gad shall be Eliasaph ben-Reuel.
- 15. And his host, those that were numbered of them, were forty-five thousand six hundred and fifty.
- 16. All who were numbered of the camp of Reuben were one hundred fifty-one thousand four hundred and fifty, according to their hosts. And they shall set out second.
- ¶17. "Then the tent of meeting shall set out, with the camp of the Levites, in the midst of the camps; as they encamp, so shall they set forth, each in its place according to their standards.
- ¶18. "The standard of the camp of Ephraim, according to their hosts, shall be westward. And the prince of the children of Ephraim shall be Elishama ben-Ammihud.
- 19. And his host, those that were numbered of them, were forty thousand five hundred.
- 20. And beside him, the tribe of Manasseh. And the prince of the children of Manasseh shall be Gamaliel ben-Pedahzur.
- 21. And his host, those that were numbered of them, were thirty-two thousand two hundred.
- 22. Then the tribe of Benjamin. And the prince of the children of Benjamin shall be Abidan ben-Gideoni.
- 23. And his host, those that were numbered of them, were thirty-five thousand four hundred.
- 24. All who were numbered of the camp of Ephraim were one hundred eight thousand and one hundred, according to their hosts. And they shall set out third.
- ¶25. "The standard of the camp of Dan shall be northward, according to their hosts. And the prince of the children of Dan shall be Ahiezer ben-Ammishadai.
- 26. And his host, those that were numbered of them, were sixty-two thousand seven hundred.
- 27. And those encamped by him shall be of the tribe of Asher. And the prince of the children of Asher shall be Pagiel ben-Ochran.
- 28. And his host, those that were numbered of them, were forty-one thousand five hundred.
- 29. Then the tribe of Naphtali. And the prince of the children of Naphtali shall be Ahira ben-Enan.
- 30. And his host, those that were numbered of them, were fifty-three thousand four hundred.
- 31. All who were numbered of the camp of Dan were one hundred fifty-seven thousand six hundred. And they shall set out at the rear, according to their standards."

¶32. These were numbered of the children of Israel by the house of their fathers. All who were numbered of the camps, according to their hosts, were six hundred three thousand five hundred and fifty.

- 33. But the Levites were not numbered among the children of Israel, just as Jehovah commanded Moses.
- 34. And the children of Israel did according to all that Jehovah commanded Moses; in this manner, they encamped by their standards, and thus they set out, each *tribe* by its families, according to the house of its fathers.

- ¶1. And these are the generations of Aaron and Moses in the day Jehovah spoke with Moses on Mount Sinai.
- 2. And these are the names of the sons of Aaron: Nadab the firstborn, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.
- 3. These are the names of the sons of Aaron, the anointed priests whom he ordained to minister as a priest.
- 4. But Nadab and Abihu died before Jehovah when they offered strange fire before Jehovah in the wilderness of Sinai, and they had no sons. And Eleazar and Ithamar ministered as priests in the presence of Aaron their father.
- ¶5. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 6. "Bring the tribe of Levi near, and present it before Aaron the priest, that they may serve him.
- 7. And they shall keep his charge and the charge of the whole congregation before the tent of meeting, to do the service of the tabernacle.
- 8. And they shall attend to all the accourrements of the tent of meeting and the charge of the children of Israel, to do the service of the tabernacle.
- 9. And you shall give the Levites to Aaron, and to his sons; they are wholly given to him from the children of Israel.
- 10. And you shall appoint Aaron, and his sons, and they shall attend to their priesthood; and the stranger who comes near shall be put to death."
- ¶11. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 12. "And I, behold, I have taken the Levites from among the children of Israel instead of all the firstborn that open the womb of the children of Israel, and the Levites shall be mine.
- 13. For all the firstborn are mine; on the day that I struck all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, I consecrated as mine all the firstborn in Israel. Whether man or beast, they shall be mine; I am Jehovah."
- ¶14. And Jehovah spoke to Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, saying,

15. "Number the children of Levi by the house of their fathers, by their families; you shall number them, every male a month old and above."

- 16. And Moses numbered them according to the word of Jehovah, just as he was commanded.
- 17. And these are the sons of Levi by their names: Gershon, and Kohath, and Merari.
- 18. And these are the names of the sons of Gershon by their families: Libni and Shimei.
- 19. And the sons of Kohath by their families: Amram and Izhar, Hebron and Uzziel.
- 20. And the sons of Merari by their families: Mahli and Mushi. These are the families of the Levites by the house of their fathers.
- 21. From Gershon was the family of the Libnites and the family of the Shimeites. These are the families of Gershonites.
- 22. Those numbered of them, by the number of every male aged a month and above, those numbered of them, were seven thousand five hundred.
- 23. "The families of the Gershonites shall encamp westward, behind the tabernacle.
- 24. And the prince of the house of the father of the Gershonites shall be Eliasaph ben-Lael.
- 25. And the charge of the sons of Gershon in the tent of meeting shall be the tabernacle, and the tent, its covering, and the hanging for the entrance of the tent of meeting,
- 26. and the screens of the courtyard, and the hanging at the entrance of the courtyard which is in front of the tabernacle and in front of the altar, all around, and its ropes for all its service."
- ¶27. And from Kohath was the family of the Amramites, and the family of the Izharites, and the family of the Hebronites, and the family of the Uzzielites. These are the families of the Kohathites.
- 28. By number, every male aged a month and above were eight thousand six hundred who kept the charge of the holy place.
- 29. "The families of the sons of Kohath shall encamp on the southward side of the tabernacle.
- 30. And the prince of the house of the father of the families of the Kohathites shall be Elizaphan ben-Uzziel.
- 31. And their charge shall be the ark, and the table, and the menorah, and the altars, and the accourrements of the holy place with which they minister, and the hanging, and all its labor.
- 32. And the prince over the princes of the Levites shall be Eleazar ben-Aaron, the priest, having oversight of those who keep the charge of the holy place."
- ¶33. From Merari was the family of the Mahlites, and the family of the Mushites. These are the families of Merari.
- 34. And those numbered of them, by the number of every male aged a month and above, were six thousand two hundred.

35. "And the prince of the house of the father of the families of Merari shall be Zuriel ben-Abihail; they shall encamp on the northward side of the tabernacle.

- 36. And the appointed charge for the sons of Merari shall be the boards of the tabernacle, and its bars, and its posts, and its sockets, and all its accourrements, and all its labor,
- 37. and the posts of the courtyard round about, and their sockets, and their stakes, and their ropes.
- 38. And those that encamp before the tabernacle to the east, before the tent of meeting eastward, shall be Moses, and Aaron, and his sons, keeping the charge of the sanctuary for the charge of the children of Israel. The stranger who comes near shall surely be put to death."
- 39. All who were numbered of the Levites whom Moses and Aaron numbered according to the word of Jehovah, by their families, every male aged a month and above, were twenty-two thousand.
- ¶40. And Jehovah said to Moses, "Number every firstborn male of the children of Israel aged a month and above, and take the number of their names.
- 41. And you shall take the Levites for me (I am Jehovah) instead of all the firstborn of the children of Israel, and the livestock of the Levites instead of all the firstborn of the livestock of the children of Israel."
- 42. And Moses numbered all the firstborn among the children of Israel, just as Jehovah commanded him.
- 43. And all the firstborn males aged a month and above, by the number of their names of those who were numbered, were twenty-two thousand two hundred and seventy-three.
- ¶44. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 45. "Take the Levites instead of all the firstborn among the children of Israel, and the livestock of the Levites instead of their livestock, and the Levites shall be mine. I am Jehovah.
- 46. And for the redemption price of the two hundred and seventy-three firstborn of the children of Israel who are more than the number of the Levites,
- 47. you shall take five shekels each by the poll. (You shall take it according to the shekel of the sanctuary, twenty gerahs to the shekel.)
- 48. And you shall give the money to Aaron, and to his sons, as the redemption price for the excess number of them."
- 49. And Moses took the redemption money for those redeemed in excess of the Levites.
- 50. From the firstborn of the children of Israel, he took the money, one thousand three hundred and sixty-five shekels according to the shekel of the sanctuary.
- 51. And Moses gave the money for those redeemed to Aaron, and to his sons, according to the word of Jehovah, as Jehovah had commanded Moses.

- ¶1. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, and to Aaron, saying,
- 2. "Take the sum of the sons of Kohath from among the sons of Levi, by their families, by the house of their fathers,
- 3. from thirty years old and above up to fifty years old, all who enter the service, to do the work within the tent of meeting.
- 4. This is the responsibility of the sons of Kohath in the tent of meeting: the Most Holy Place.
- 5. When the camp sets out, Aaron and his sons shall go in and take down the veil for the hanging and cover the ark of the testimony with it.
- 6. And they shall lay a covering of badger skin on it and spread a solid blue cloth over it and put in its poles.
- 7. And they shall spread a blue cloth on the table of the Presence, and put the dishes, and the spoons, and the bowls, and the libation cups on it; the perpetual bread shall also be on it.
- 8. And they shall spread a cloth of bright scarlet over them and cover that with a covering of badger skin and put in its poles.
- 9. And they shall take a blue cloth and cover the menorah of light, and its lamps, and its tongs, and its snuff-dishes, and all the vessels for its oil with which they attend to it.
- 10. And they shall put it and all its accourrements into a covering of badger skin and put it on a pole.
- 11. And they shall spread a blue cloth on the gold altar, and cover it with a covering of badger skin, and put in its poles.
- 12. And they shall take all the accourrements of the ministry with which they minister within the holy place and put them in a blue cloth and cover them within a covering of badger skin, and they shall put it on a pole.
- 13. And they shall remove the ashes from the altar and spread a purple cloth over it.
- 14. And on it, they shall put all the accourrements with which they minister: the fire-pans, the meat-hooks, and the shovels, and the basins, all the accourrements of the altar, and they shall spread a covering of badger skin over it, and put in its poles.
- 15. When the camp is to set out, and Aaron and his sons have finished covering the holy things and all the accourtements of the holy place, after that, the sons of Kohath shall come in to bear them, but they shall not touch the holy things, or they shall die. These things from the tent of meeting are the burden of the sons of Kohath.
- 16. And Eleazar ben-Aaron, the priest, shall have the oversight of the oil for the light, and the pungent incense, and the continual grain offering, and the anointing oil—the oversight of all the tabernacle and all that is in it, of the holy place and its accourrements."
- ¶17. And Jehovah spoke to Moses and to Aaron, saying,
- 18. "You shall not allow the tribe of the families of the Kohathites to be cut off from among the Levites,

19. but do this for them, that they may live and not die when they draw near to the Most Holy Place. Aaron and his sons shall go in and assign each one of them to his work and to his burden.

- 20. But they shall not go in to watch as the sanctuary is covered, lest they die."
- ¶21. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 22. "Take the sum also of the sons of Gershon by the house of their fathers, by their families,
- 23. from thirty years old and above up to fifty years old, you shall number them, all who enter to do the service, to do the work of the tent of meeting.
- 24. This work shall be for the families of the Gershonites to do and to bear:
- 25. they shall bear the curtains of the tabernacle, even the tent of meeting; its covering and the covering of badger skin that is on top of it; and the hanging at the entrance of the tent of meeting;
- 26. and the screens of the courtyard; and the hanging at the entrance of the gate of the courtyard that is in front of the tabernacle and in front of the altar round about; and their ropes; and all the equipment for their service, even all that is made for them. Thus shall they do.
- 27. All the labor of the sons of the Gershonites shall be in accordance with the commandment of Aaron and his sons regarding all their burden bearing and all their labor, and you shall appoint all their burden to them by a charge.
- 28. This work shall be for the families of the sons of the Gershonites concerning the tent of meeting, and their charge shall be under the hand of Ithamar ben-Aaron, the priest.
- ¶29. "As for the sons of Merari, by their families, by the house of their fathers, you shall number them.
- 30. From thirty years old and above up to fifty years old, you shall number them, all who enter into the service, to do the work of the tent of meeting.
- 31. And this charge is their burden for all their labor in the tent of meeting: the boards of the tabernacle, and its bars, and its pillars, and its sockets,
- 32. and the posts of the courtyard round about, and their sockets, and their stakes, and their ropes for all their equipment and for all of their labor. And by names shall *y*ou assign the equipment for the charge of their burden.
- 33. This is the work of the families of the sons of Merari for all their labor in the tent of meeting, under the hand of Ithamar ben-Aaron, the priest."
- ¶34. And Moses, and Aaron, and the princes of the congregation, numbered the sons of the Kohathites by their families, and by the house of their fathers,
- 35. from thirty years old and above up to fifty years old, all who enter into the service for the labor within the tent of meeting.
- 36. And those numbered of them by their families were two thousand seven hundred and fifty.

37. These were numbered of the families of the Kohathites, all who could work inside the tent of meeting, whom Moses and Aaron numbered according to the command of Jehovah by the hand of Moses.

- 38. And the sons of Gershon were numbered by their families, and by the house of their fathers,
- 39. from thirty years old and above up to fifty years old, all who enter into the service for the labor of the tent of meeting.
- 40. And those numbered of them by their families, by the house of their fathers, were two thousand six hundred and thirty.
- 41. These were numbered of the families of the sons of Gershon, all who could work in the tent of meeting, whom Moses and Aaron numbered according to the command of Jehovah.
- 42. And the families of the sons of Merari were numbered by their families, by the house of their fathers,
- 43. from thirty years old and above up to fifty years old, all who enter into the service for the labor of the tent of meeting.
- 44. And those numbered of them by their families were three thousand two hundred.
- 45. These were numbered of the families of the sons of Merari whom Moses and Aaron numbered according to the command of Jehovah by the hand of Moses.
- 46. All those numbered, whom Moses and Aaron and the princes of Israel numbered of the Levites by their families, by the house of their fathers,
- 47. from thirty years old and above up to fifty years old, all who entered in to do the service of labor and the service of bearing burdens in the tent of meeting.
- 48. And those numbered of them were eight thousand five hundred and eighty.
- 49. According to the command of Jehovah by the hand of Moses, he numbered them, each one according to his service and according to his burden, thus were they numbered by him, as Jehovah commanded Moses.

- ¶1. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 2. "Command the children of Israel, that they send out from the camp every leper, and anyone with a discharge, and everyone defiled by the dead.
- 3. Both male and female shall you send out. You shall send them outside the camp so that they do not defile their camps because I dwell in their midst."
- 4. And the children of Israel did so and sent them outside the camp; just as Jehovah said to Moses, so the children of Israel did.
- ¶5. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 6. "Speak to the children of Israel, 'If a man or a woman commits any of the sins of mankind, acting unfaithfully against Jehovah, then that soul shall be guilty.

7. And they shall confess their sin that they committed, and he shall make full restitution, and add a fifth to it, and give it to whomever he wronged.

- 8. But if the man has no redeemer to whom he can repay the wrong, the wrong shall be repaid to Jehovah, to the priest, besides the ram of atonements with which he makes atonement for him.
- ¶9. "And every excise offering from all the holy things of the children of Israel that they bring to the priest shall be his,
- 10. and each man's holy things shall be his; whatever a man gives to the priest shall be his."
- ¶11. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 12. "Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them, 'If any man's wife turns aside and acts unfaithfully against him,
- 13. and a man lies sexually with her, and it is concealed from the eyes of her husband and is hidden, and she has been defiled, and there is no witness against her, neither was she caught in the act,
- 14. but a spirit of jealousy comes over him and he is jealous of his wife, and she is defiled, or if a spirit of jealousy comes over him and he is jealous of his wife, but she is not defiled,
- 15. then the man shall bring his wife to the priest, and he shall bring her offering for her, the tenth part of an ephah of barley flour; he shall pour no oil on it, neither shall he put frankincense on it, for it is a jealousy offering; it is a memorial offering bringing iniquity to remembrance.
- 16. And the priest shall bring her near and present her before Jehovah.
- 17. And the priest shall take holy water in an earthen vessel; the priest shall also take some of the dust that is on the floor of the tabernacle and put it in the water.
- 18. And the priest shall make the woman stand before Jehovah, and uncover the woman's head, and he shall put the memorial offering in her palms, which is a jealousy offering, and in the priest's hand shall be the bitter water that brings the curse.
- 19. And the priest shall cause her to swear an oath and say to the woman, 'If no man lay with you, and if you have not turned aside to uncleanness instead of to your husband, you shall be free from this bitter water that brings the curse.
- 20. But if you have turned aside, instead of to your husband, and if you have defiled yourself and a man other than your husband has given you his copulation, *you shall be cursed*.'
- 21. Then the priest shall cause the woman to swear with the oath of cursing, and the priest shall say to the woman, 'Jehovah make you a curse and an oath in the midst of your people when Jehovah makes your thigh waste away and your womb swell.

22. And this water that brings the curse shall go into your bowels to make your womb swell, and to cause your thigh to waste away. 'And the woman shall say, 'Amen, amen.'

- 23. And the priest shall write these curses in the book and wipe them into the bitter water.
- 24. Then he shall cause the woman to drink the bitter water that brings the curse, and the water of bitterness that brings the curse shall go into her.
- 25. And the priest shall take the jealousy offering from the hand of the woman, and he shall wave the offering before Jehovah, and offer it on the altar.
- 26. And the priest shall take a handful from the offering, its memorial portion, and burn it on the altar, and afterward, he shall make the woman drink the water.
- 27. And when he has made her drink the water, then it shall come to pass that if she has defiled herself and acted unfaithfully against her husband, then the water of bitterness that brings the curse shall go into her, and her womb will swell and her thigh will waste away, and the woman shall be a curse in the midst of her people,
- 28. but if the woman has not defiled herself, and she is clean, then she is free, and she shall conceive seed.
- 29. This is the law of jealousies for when a wife turns aside instead of to her husband, and she is defiled,
- 30. or for a man, when a spirit of jealousy comes over him, and he is jealous of his wife, and he presents the woman before Jehovah, and the priest performs all this law regarding her.
- 31. Then the man will be free from iniquity, and the woman shall bear her iniquity."

- ¶1. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 2. "Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them, 'If a man or a woman makes an exceptional vow, a vow of a Nazirite to separate himself unto Jehovah,
- 3. he shall separate *himself* from wine and strong drink. He shall not drink vinegar of wine or vinegar of strong drink, nor shall he drink any juice from grapes, nor shall he eat fresh or dried grapes.
- 4. All the days of his separation, he shall not eat of anything that is made from the grapevine, from the seeds even to the skin.
- 5. All the days of his Nazirite vow, no razor shall pass over his head until the days which he separates to Jehovah be fulfilled; he shall be holy, letting the locks of the hair of his head grow.
- 6. All the days of his separation to Jehovah, he shall not go near a dead body,
- 7. for his father or for his mother, for his brother or for his sister. He shall not defile himself for them when they die, for the separation of his God is upon his head.
- 8. All the days of his separation, he shall be holy to Jehovah.
- 9. But if a man dies very suddenly by him, and he defiles the head of his separation, then he shall shave his head on the day of his cleansing; on the seventh day, he shall shave it.

10. And on the eighth day, he shall bring two turtledoves or two young doves to the priest at the entrance of the tent of meeting.

- 11. And the priest shall use one for a sin offering and one for a burnt offering, and make atonement for him because he sinned on account of the body; and he shall consecrate his head on that day.
- 12. Then he shall separate to Jehovah the days of his separation, and he shall bring a yearold lamb for a guilt offering, but the first days shall be lost because he defiled his separation.
- 13. And this is the law for the Nazirite: on the day when the days of his separation are fulfilled, one shall bring him to the entrance of the tent of meeting.
- 14. And he shall bring his offering to Jehovah: one year-old lamb without blemish for a burnt offering, and one year-old ewe lamb without blemish for a sin offering, and one ram without blemish for peace offerings,
- 15. and a basket of unleavened bread, cakes of fine flour mixed with oil, and unleavened wafers anointed with oil, and their grain offering, and their drink offerings.
- 16. And the priest shall bring it before Jehovah, and he shall make his sin offering and his burnt offering.
- 17. And with the ram, he shall make the sacrifice of peace offerings to Jehovah with the basket of unleavened bread; the priest shall also make his grain offering and his drink offering.
- 18. And the devoted one shall shave the head of his separation at the entrance to the tent of meeting, and he shall take the hair of his head of separation and put it on the fire that is under the sacrifice of the peace offerings.
- 19. And the priest shall take the boiled shoulder from the ram, and one unleavened cake from the basket, and one unleavened wafer, and put them on the palms of the devoted one, after he has shaved the hair of his separation.
- 20. And the priest shall wave them as a wave offering before Jehovah (it is holy to the priest) with the breast of the wave offering and with the thigh of the exsect offering, and afterward, the devoted one may drink wine.
- 21. This is the law concerning the devoted one who has made a vow and his offering to Jehovah for his separation, besides that which he can afford. According to his vow that he vowed, thus he must do concerning the law of his separation."
- ¶22. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 23. "Speak to Aaron and to his sons, saying, 'Thus shall you bless the children of Israel, saying to them,
- 24. "Jehovah bless you and keep you.
- 25. Jehovah make His face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you.
- 26. Jehovah lift up His countenance upon you, and give you peace."
- 27. And they shall put my name upon the children of Israel, and I will bless them."

¶1. And it came to pass on the day Moses finished setting up the tabernacle and had anointed it and consecrated it and all its accourrements, and the altar and all its accourrements, when he had anointed and consecrated them,

- 2. that the princes of Israel, the heads of the house of their fathers, those who were the princes of the tribes, those who were over the numbered, drew near.
- 3. And they brought their offering before Jehovah: six covered wagons and twelve oxen, a wagon for two of the princes, and an ox for each one, and they presented them before the tabernacle.
- 4. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 5. "Receive these from them, and they shall be for use in the service of the tent of meeting, for you shall give them to the Levites, each one for its service."
- 6. So Moses took the wagons and the oxen and gave them to the Levites.
- 7. Two wagons and four oxen, he gave to the sons of Gershon for their service,
- 8. and four wagons and eight oxen, he gave to the sons of Merari for their service under Ithamar ben-Aaron, the priest.
- 9. But to the sons of Kohath, he gave none because the service of the holy *things* was upon them; they bore on the shoulder.
- ¶10. And the princes drew near for the dedication of the altar on the day that it was anointed, and the princes offered their offering before the altar.
- 11. And Jehovah said to Moses, "One prince a day—one prince a day—they shall offer their offering for the dedication of the altar."
- 12. And he that offered his offering on the first day was Nahshon ben-Amminadab, of the tribe of Judah.
- 13. And his offering was one silver dish, its weight one hundred thirty shekels; one silver basin of seventy shekels according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them filled with fine flour mixed with oil for a grain offering;
- 14. one gold spoon of ten shekels, full of incense;
- 15. one bullock from the herd, one ram, one year-old lamb, for a burnt offering;
- 16. one male from the goats for a sin offering;
- 17. and for the sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five lambs a year-old. This was the offering of Nahshon ben-Amminadab.
- $\P 18$ . On the second day, Nethaneel ben-Zuar, prince of Issachar, offered.
- 19. He offered his offering: one silver dish, its weight one hundred thirty shekels; one silver basin of seventy shekels according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them filled with fine flour mixed with oil for a grain offering;
- 20. one gold spoon of ten shekels, full of incense;
- 21. one bullock from the herd, one ram, one year-old lamb, for a burnt offering;
- 22. one male from the goats for a sin offering;
- 23. and for the sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five lambs, a year-old. This was the offering of Nethaneel ben-Zuar.

- ¶24. On the third day, the prince of the sons of Zebulun, Eliab ben-Helon, offered.
- 25. His offering: one silver dish, its weight one hundred thirty shekels; one silver basin of seventy shekels according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them filled with fine flour mixed with oil for a grain offering;
- 26. one gold spoon of ten shekels, full of incense;
- 27. one bullock from the herd, one ram, one year-old lamb, for a burnt offering;
- 28. one male from the goats for a sin offering;
- 29. and for the sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five lambs, a year-old. This was the offering of Eliab ben-Helon.
- ¶30. On the fourth day, the prince of the sons of Reuben, Elizur ben-Shedeur, offered.
- 31. His offering: one silver dish, its weight one hundred thirty shekels; one silver basin of seventy shekels according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them filled with fine flour mixed with oil for a grain offering;
- 32. one gold spoon of ten shekels, full of incense;
- 33. one bullock from the herd, one ram, one year-old lamb, for a burnt offering;
- 34. one male from the goats for a sin offering;
- 35. and for the sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five lambs, a year-old. This was the offering of Elizur ben-Shedeur.
- ¶36. On the fifth day, the prince of the sons of Simeon, Shelumiel ben-Zurishaddai, offered.
- 37. His offering: one silver dish, its weight one hundred thirty shekels; one silver basin of seventy shekels according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them filled with fine flour mixed with oil for a grain offering;
- 38. one gold spoon of ten shekels, full of incense;
- 39. one bullock from the herd, one ram, one year-old lamb, for a burnt offering;
- 40. one male from the goats for a sin offering;
- 41. and for the sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five lambs, a year-old. This was the offering of Shelumiel ben-Zurishaddai.
- ¶42. On the sixth day, the prince of the sons of Gad, Eliasaph ben-Deuel, offered.
- 43. His offering: one silver dish, its weight one hundred thirty shekels; one silver basin of seventy shekels according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them filled with fine flour mixed with oil for a grain offering;
- 44. one gold spoon of ten shekels, full of incense;
- 45. one bullock from the herd, one ram, one year-old lamb, for a burnt offering;
- 46. one male from the goats for a sin offering;
- 47. and for the sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five lambs, a year-old. This was the offering of Eliasaph ben-Deuel.
- ¶48. On the seventh day, the prince of the sons of Ephraim, Elishama ben-Ammihud, offered.

49. His offering: one silver dish, its weight one hundred thirty shekels; one silver basin of seventy shekels according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them filled with fine flour mixed with oil for a grain offering;

- 50. one gold spoon of ten shekels, full of incense;
- 51. one bullock from the herd, one ram, one year-old lamb, for a burnt offering;
- 52. one male from the goats for a sin offering;
- 53. and for the sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five lambs, a year-old. This was the offering of Elishama ben-Ammihud.
- ¶54. On the eighth day, the prince of the sons of Manasseh, Gamaliel ben-Pedahzur, offered.
- 55. His offering: one silver dish, its weight one hundred thirty shekels; one silver basin of seventy shekels according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them filled with fine flour mixed with oil for a grain offering;
- 56. one gold spoon of ten shekels, full of incense;
- 57. one bullock from the herd, one ram, one year-old lamb, for a burnt offering;
- 58. one male from the goats for a sin offering;
- 59. and for the sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five lambs, a year-old. This was the offering of Gamaliel ben-Pedahzur.
- ¶60. On the ninth day, the prince of the sons of Benjamin, Abidan ben-Gideoni, offered.
- 61. His offering: one silver dish, its weight one hundred thirty shekels; one silver basin of seventy shekels according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them filled with fine flour mixed with oil for a grain offering;
- 62. one gold spoon of ten shekels, full of incense;
- 63. one bullock from the herd, one ram, one year-old lamb, for a burnt offering;
- 64. one male from the goats for a sin offering;
- 65. and for the sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five lambs, a year-old. This was the offering of Abidan ben-Gideoni.
- ¶66. On the tenth day, the prince of the sons of Dan, Ahiezer ben-Ammishadai, offered.
- 67. His offering: one silver dish, its weight one hundred thirty shekels; one silver basin of seventy shekels according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them filled with fine flour mixed with oil for a grain offering;
- 68. one gold spoon of ten shekels, full of incense;
- 69. one bullock from the herd, one ram, one year-old lamb, for a burnt offering;
- 70. one male from the goats for a sin offering;
- 71. and for the sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five lambs, a year-old. This was the offering of Ahiezer ben-Ammishadai.
- ¶72. On the eleventh day, the prince of the sons of Asher, Pagiel ben-Ochran, offered.

73. His offering: one silver dish, its weight one hundred thirty shekels; one silver basin of seventy shekels according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them filled with fine flour mixed with oil for a grain offering;

- 74. one gold spoon of ten shekels, full of incense;
- 75. one bullock from the herd, one ram, one year-old lamb, for a burnt offering;
- 76. one male from the goats for a sin offering;
- 77. and for the sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five lambs, a year-old. This was the offering of Pagiel ben-Ochran.
- ¶78. On the twelfth day, the prince of the sons of Naphtali, Ahira ben-Enan, offered.
- 79. His offering: one silver dish, its weight one hundred thirty shekels; one silver basin of seventy shekels according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them filled with fine flour mixed with oil for a grain offering;
- 80. one gold spoon of ten shekels, full of incense;
- 81. one bullock from the herd, one ram, one year-old lamb, for a burnt offering;
- 82. one male from the goats for a sin offering;
- 83. and for the sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five lambs, a year-old. This was the offering of Ahira ben-Enan.
- ¶84. This was for the dedication of the altar from the princes of Israel, on the day that it was anointed: twelve silver dishes; twelve silver basins; twelve gold spoons,
- 85. each silver dish of one hundred thirty shekels, and each basin seventy, all the silver accoutrements were two thousand four hundred shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary;
- 86. twelve gold spoons full of incense, each spoon ten shekels apiece, according to the shekel of the sanctuary; all the gold of the spoons was one hundred twenty shekels.
- 87. All the cattle for the burnt offering were twelve bullocks, the rams twelve, the year-old lambs twelve, with their grain offering, and the males of the goats were twelve for the sin offering.
- 88. And all the cattle for the sacrifice of peace offerings were twenty-four bullocks, the rams sixty, the he-goats sixty, the year-old lambs sixty. This was for the dedication of the altar after it was anointed.
- ¶89. And when Moses went in to the tent of meeting to speak with Him, then he heard the voice speaking to him from above the mercy-seat which was on the ark of the testimony, from between the two cherubim, and he spoke to Him.

- ¶1. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 2. "Speak to Aaron, and say to him, 'When you light the lamps, the seven lamps will give light before the menorah."
- 3. And Aaron did so; he lit its lamps *to give light* before the menorah, as Jehovah commanded Moses.

4. And the work of the menorah was of beaten gold; from its base to its flower, it was of beaten work. According to the vision that Jehovah showed Moses, so he made the menorah.

- ¶5. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 6. "Take the Levites from among the children of Israel and cleanse them.
- 7. And thus shall you do to them to cleanse them: sprinkle water of purification on them, and have them pass a razor over all their flesh, and wash their clothes, and cleanse themselves.
- 8. Then they shall take a bullock from the herd with its grain offering of fine flour mixed with oil, and you shall take a second bullock from the herd for a sin offering.
- 9. And you shall bring the Levites near, before the tent of meeting, and assemble the whole congregation of the children of Israel.
- 10. Then you shall bring the Levites near, before Jehovah, and the children of Israel shall lay their hands on the Levites.
- 11. And Aaron shall offer the Levites as a wave offering from the children of Israel before Jehovah, that they may do the service of Jehovah.
- 12. And the Levites shall lay their hands on the head of the bullocks, and with one, you shall make a sin offering, and with the other, a burnt offering to Jehovah, to make atonement for the Levites.
- 13. Then you shall present the Levites before Aaron, and before his sons, and offer them as a wave offering to Jehovah.
- 14. Thus shall you separate the Levites from among the children of Israel, and the Levites shall be mine.
- 15. And after that, the Levites shall go in to do the service of the tent of meeting, when you have cleansed them and offered them as a wave offering.
- 16. For they are wholly dedicated to me from among the children of Israel instead of all who first open the womb, the firstborn of all the children of Israel. I have taken them for myself,
- 17. because all the firstborn among the children of Israel are mine, whether man or beast. On the day that I struck all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, I sanctified them for myself.
- 18. But I have taken the Levites instead of all the firstborn of the children of Israel.
- 19. And I have given the Levites as dedicated to Aaron and to his sons from among the children of Israel to do the service of the children of Israel in the tent of meeting, and to make atonement for the children of Israel, so there will be no plague among the children of Israel when the children of Israel draw near to the sanctuary."
- 20. And Moses, and Aaron, and all the congregation of the children of Israel did to the Levites according to all that Jehovah commanded Moses concerning the Levites. Thus the children of Israel did to them.

21. And the Levites cleansed themselves, and they washed their clothes, and Aaron offered them as a wave offering before Jehovah, and Aaron made atonement for them to cleanse them.

- 22. And after that, the Levites entered in to do their service in the tent of meeting before Aaron and before his sons. As Jehovah had commanded Moses concerning the Levites, so they did to them.
- ¶23. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 24. "This is what pertains to the Levites: from twenty-five years old and above, one shall enter in to serve in the host in the service of the tent of meeting.
- 25. And at fifty years old, he shall withdraw from the host for the service and serve no more.
- 26. Yet, he shall minister to his brothers in the tent of meeting by keeping guard, but he shall do no service. Thus shall you do concerning the Levites regarding their charges."

- ¶1. And Jehovah spoke to Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, in the first month of the second year after they came out from the land of Egypt, saying,
- 2. "The children of Israel shall also observe the Passover at its appointed time.
- 3. On the fourteenth day of this month at twilight, you shall observe it at its appointed time; according to all its statutes and according to all its ordinances shall you observe it."
- 4. And Moses told the children of Israel to observe the Passover.
- 5. And they observed the Passover in the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month, at twilight, in the wilderness of Sinai; according to all that Jehovah commanded Moses, so the children of Israel did.
- 6. And it came to pass that there were men defiled by the dead body of a man and could not observe the Passover on that day. So, they came before Moses, and before Aaron, on that day.
- 7. And those men said to him, "We are defiled by the dead body of a man. Now we are restrained so that we cannot offer the offering of Jehovah at its appointed time among the children of Israel!"
- 8. And Moses said to them, "Wait, and let me hear what Jehovah will command concerning Vou."
- 9. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 10. "Speak to the children of Israel, saying, 'If by reason of a dead body, any man of you or your descendants is unclean or is on a journey afar off, he shall observe the Passover to Jehovah.
- 11. In the second month, on the fourteenth day at twilight, they shall observe it. They shall eat it with unleavened bread and bitter herbs.

12. They shall leave nothing of it until morning, nor shall they break a bone of it; in accordance with every statute of the Passover shall they keep it.

- 13. But the man who is clean or is not on a journey and fails to observe the Passover, that soul shall certainly be cut off from his people because he did not bring the offering of Jehovah at its appointed time; that man shall bear his sin.
- 14. And if a stranger sojourns among *y*ou and would observe the Passover to Jehovah, then according to the statute of the Passover and its ordinance shall he observe it; there shall be one statute for *y*ou, both for the stranger and for one born in the land."
- ¶15. And on the day that the tabernacle was set up, the cloud covered the tabernacle, that is, the tent of testimony, and in the evening, it became in appearance like fire over the tabernacle, until morning.
- 16. So it was, continually; the cloud covered it, with an appearance of fire at night.
- 17. Upon command, the cloud was taken up from over the tent, and after that, the children of Israel journeyed, and at the place where the cloud settled, there, the children of Israel encamped.
- 18. At the command of Jehovah, the children of Israel journeyed, and at the command of Jehovah, they camped; all the days that the cloud was settled over the tabernacle, they remained encamped.
- 19. And when the cloud remained many days over the tabernacle, then the children of Israel kept the charge of Jehovah and did not journey.
- 20. Even when it was that the cloud was over the tabernacle for few days, at the command of Jehovah, they encamped, and at the command of Jehovah, they journeyed.
- 21. And so it was that when the cloud remained from evening until morning and then the cloud was taken up in the morning, they journeyed; whether day or night, when the cloud was taken up, they journeyed.
- 22. Whether for two days, or a month, or longer, as long as the cloud remained over the tabernacle, settled upon it, the children of Israel remained encamped and did not journey. But when it was taken up, they journeyed.
- 23. At the command of Jehovah, they encamped, and at the command of Jehovah, they journeyed; they kept the charge of Jehovah, at the command of Jehovah by the hand of Moses.

- ¶1. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 2. "Make for yourself two trumpets; of beaten silver shall you make them, and they will be for you for summoning the congregation and for breaking the encampments.
- 3. When they blow with them, then all the congregation shall gather themselves to you at the entrance of the tent of meeting.
- 4. But if they blow with one, then the princes, heads of the thousands of Israel, shall gather themselves to you.
- 5. And when you blow an alarm, then the camps encamped eastward shall set out.

6. And when you blow a second alarm, then the camps encamped southward shall set out; they shall blow an alarm for them to set out.

- 7. But when the Assembly is to be assembled, *y*ou shall blow, but *y*ou shall not blow an alarm.
- 8. And the sons of Aaron, the priests, shall blow with the trumpets, and they shall be a statute for *y*ou forever, throughout *y*our generations.
- 9. And when you go to war in your land against an enemy who is oppressing you, then you shall blow an alarm with the trumpets, and you will be remembered before Jehovah your God and be delivered from your enemies.
- 10. Also, on the day of your rejoicing, and at your appointed times, and at the beginning of each of your months, you shall blow with the trumpets over your burnt offerings and over the sacrifices of your peace offerings, and they will be a memorial for you before your God. I am Jehovah your God."
- ¶11. And it came to pass in the second year, in the second month, on the twentieth day of the month, that the cloud was taken up from over the tabernacle of the testimony,
- 12. and the children of Israel set out on their journeys from the wilderness of Sinai; and the cloud settled in the wilderness of Paran.
- 13. And they set out for the first time according to the command of Jehovah by the hand of Moses.
- ¶14. And the standard of the camp of the children of Judah set out first according to their hosts, and over his host was Nahshon ben-Amminadab.
- 15. And over the host of the tribe of the children of Issachar was Nethaneel ben-Zuar.
- 16. And over the host of the tribe of the children of Zebulun was Eliab ben-Helon.
- 17. Then the tabernacle was taken down, and the sons of Gershon and the sons of Merari set out, bearing the tabernacle.
- ¶18. Then the standard of the camp of Reuben set out according to their hosts, and over his host was Elizur ben-Shedeur.
- 19. And over the host of the tribe of the children of Simeon was Shelumiel ben-Zurishaddai.
- 20. And over the host of the tribe of the children of Gad was Eliasaph ben-Deuel.
- 21. And the Kohathites set out bearing the sanctuary, and they set up the tabernacle before they arrived.
- ¶22. Then the standard of the camp of the children of Ephraim set out according to their hosts, and over his host was Elishama ben-Ammihud.
- 23. And over the host of the tribe of the children of Manasseh was Gamaliel ben-Pedahzur.
- 24. And over the host of the tribe of the children of Benjamin was Abidan ben-Gideoni.
- ¶25. Then the standard of the camp of the children of Dan set out according to their hosts, at the rear of all the camps, and over his host was Ahiezer ben-Ammishaddai.
- 26. And over the host of the tribe of the children of Asher was Pagiel ben-Ocran.

- 27. And over the host of the tribe of the children of Naphtali was Ahira ben-Enan.
- 28. This was the order of setting out for the children of Israel, according to their hosts, when they set out.
- ¶29. And Moses said to Hobab ben-Reuel the Midianite, Moses 'father-in-law, "We are setting out for the place of which Jehovah said, 'I will give it to *y*ou.' Come with us, and we will do good to you, for Jehovah has spoken good concerning Israel."
- 30. But he said to him, "I will not go with you, but to my land and to my kindred will I go."
- 31. And he said, "I pray you, do not leave us, because you have known our encampment in the wilderness, and you would be as eyes for us.
- 32. And it shall be that, if you go with us, then whatever good that Jehovah does for us, we will also do for you."
- 33. And they set out from the mount of Jehovah three days 'journey, and the ark of the covenant of Jehovah journeyed before them three days 'journey to search out a resting place for them.
- 34. And the cloud of Jehovah was over them by day when they set out from the camp.
- ¶35. And it came to pass when the ark set out, then Moses would say, "Rise up, O Jehovah, and let your enemies be scattered, and let those who hate you flee from before you!"
- 36. And when it rested, he would say, "Return, O Jehovah, to the ten thousand thousands of Israel!"

# Numbers 11

- ¶1. And it came to pass that when the people complained among themselves, it was evil in the ears of Jehovah, and when Jehovah heard it, His anger was kindled, and the fire of Jehovah burned and consumed them in the outer part of the camp.
- 2. And the people cried out to Moses, and Moses prayed to Jehovah, and the fire died down.
- 3. And he named that place Taberah, 1 because the fire of Jehovah burned among them.
- ¶4. And the mixed *multitude* who were among them had lustful desires, and then the children of Israel turned away and wept, and they said, "Who will give us flesh to eat?
- 5. We remember the fish that we ate freely in Egypt, the cucumbers, and the melons, and the leeks, and the onions, and the garlic.
- 6. For now, our soul is dried up; there is nothing at all but this manna before our eyes."
- 7. (Now, the manna was like coriander seed, and its appearance like that of bdellium.
- 8. And the people went about and collected it, and they ground it in a mill, or beat it in a mortar, and then they baked it in a pot and made cakes from it; and its taste was like the taste of fresh oil.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Hebrew, "a burning".

- 9. And when the dew came down on the camp at night, the manna fell on it.)
- 10. And Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, each man at the entrance of his tent, and the anger of Jehovah was kindled greatly, and it was evil in Moses 'eyes.
- 11. And Moses said to Jehovah, "Why have you done evil to your servant, and why have I not found favor in your eyes, that you laid the burden of all this people on me?
- 12. Did I conceive all this people, or did I give them birth, that you would say to me, 'Carry them in your bosom' as a nursing father would carry a suckling child, to the land that you swore to give their fathers?
- 13. From where am I to get flesh to give to all this people? For they are weeping before me, saying, 'Give us meat, that we may eat!'
- 14. I am not able to bear all this people by myself; it is just too heavy for me.
- 15. If you deal with me like this, kill me, I pray, at once, if I have found favor in your eyes, and let me not see my wretchedness!"
- ¶16. But Jehovah said to Moses, "Gather to me seventy men from the elders of Israel whom you know to be elders of the people and their officers, and bring them to the tent of meeting, that they may present themselves there with you,
- 17. and I will come down and talk with you there, and I will take some of the Spirit that is on you and put it on them, and they shall bear the burden of the people with you so that you do not bear it alone.
- 18. And to the people, you shall say, 'Consecrate yourselves for tomorrow, and you shall eat flesh, for you have wept in the ears of Jehovah, saying, "Who shall give us meat to eat? For it was well for us in Egypt." Therefore, Jehovah shall give you flesh and you shall eat.
- 19. You shall not eat it for one day, neither two days, nor five days, nor yet ten days, nor even twenty days.
- 20. For a whole month of days, until it comes out of your nostrils, and it becomes loathsome to you, because you have despised Jehovah who is among you, and have wept before Him, saying, "Why did we come out of Egypt?""
- 21. And Moses said, "The people whom I am among are six hundred thousand footmen, and you are saying, 'I will give them flesh, and they shall eat it for a month of days.'
- 22. If flock and herd are slaughtered for them, would it be enough for them? Or if all the fish of the sea are gathered for them, would it be enough for them?"
- ¶23. And Jehovah said to Moses, "Has Jehovah's hand been shortened? You shall now see whether my word will happen to you or not!"
- 24. And Moses went out and spoke the words of Jehovah to the people, and he gathered seventy men from the elders of the people, and he stationed them round about the tent.

25. And Jehovah came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and he took some of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy men, the elders, and it came to pass, that when the Spirit rested upon them, they prophesied, but they did not do it again.

- 26. But two men, the name of the one was Eldad and the name of the other was Medad, remained in the camp. And the Spirit rested on them (they were also among those who were recorded), though they did not go out to the tent, and they prophesied by themselves in the camp.
- 27. And a young man ran and reported it to Moses, and he said," Eldad and Medad are prophesying by themselves in the camp!"
- 28. Then Joshua ben-Nun, Moses 'minister from his youth, answered and said, "My lord Moses, forbid them!"
- 29. But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all Jehovah's people were prophets, that Jehovah would put His Spirit on them!"
- 30. And Moses went into the camp, he and the elders of Israel.
- ¶31. And a wind went forth from Jehovah and brought quails from the sea, and it dropped them on the camp, about a day's journey this side and a day's journey that side around the camp, and about two cubits deep on the surface of the ground.
- 32. And the people rose up all that day, and all the night, and all the next day, and they gathered the quail. The least anyone gathered was ten homers, and they spread them out, all around the camp.
- 33. The flesh was still between their teeth, not yet chewed, when the anger of Jehovah was kindled against the people, and Jehovah struck the people with a very grievous plague.
- 34. And he named that place Kibroth-hattaavah² because they buried there the people who lusted.
- 35. The people journeyed from Kibroth-hattaavah to Hazeroth, and so, they were at Hazeroth.

- ¶1. And Miriam and Aaron spoke against Moses on account of the Cushite woman whom he had taken, for he had taken a Cushite woman.
- 2. And they said, "Has Jehovah really spoken only to Moses? Has He not spoken to us also?" And Jehovah heard it.
- 3. (Now, the man Moses was very meek, more than any man who was on the face of the earth.)
- 4. And Jehovah spoke suddenly to Moses, and to Aaron, and to Miriam, "Come out, the three of *y*ou, to the tent of meeting." And the three of them came.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> That is, "graves of lust".

5. And Jehovah came down in a pillar of cloud, and He stood at the entrance of the tent, and He called Aaron and Miriam, and they both came forward.

- 6. And He said, "Hear now my words. If there be a prophet among you, I, Jehovah, will make myself known to him in a vision; I will speak with him in a dream.
- 7. Not so with my servant Moses. He is faithful in all my affairs.
- 8. Mouth to mouth do I speak with him, and plainly, and not in riddles, and he beholds the likeness of Jehovah. Why, then, were you not afraid to speak against my servant, against Moses?"
- 9. And the anger of Jehovah was kindled against them, and He went away.
- 10. And the cloud departed from over the tent, and, behold, Miriam was leprous, like snow, and Aaron turned to Miriam, and behold, she was leprous.
- 11. And Aaron said to Moses, "Oh, my lord, do not, I beg you, lay upon us the sin that we foolishly committed, and in which we have sinned.
- 12. Oh, let her not be like one dying when he comes out of his mother's womb, whose flesh is half eaten up."
- 13. And Moses cried out to Jehovah, saying, "O God, I beg you, heal her; I beg you!"
- 14. But Jehovah said to Moses, "Had her father but spit in her face, would she not be ashamed seven days? She shall be shut up seven days outside of the camp. And afterward, she may be brought in."
- 15. And Miriam was shut up outside of the camp seven days, and the people did not journey until Miriam was brought in.
- 16. And afterward, the people journeyed from Hazeroth, and they camped in the wilderness of Paran.

- ¶1. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 2. "Send men that they may search out the land of Canaan which I am giving to the children of Israel; you shall send one man from each tribe of his fathers, each one a prince among them."
- 3. And Moses sent them from the wilderness of Paran according to the word of Jehovah; all of them were chiefs of the children of Israel.
- 4. And these were their names: from the tribe of Reuben, Shammua ben-Zaccur;
- 5. from the tribe of Simeon, Shaphat ben-Hori;
- 6. from the tribe of Judah, Caleb ben-Jephunneh;
- 7. from the tribe of Issachar, Igal ben-Joseph;
- 8. from the tribe of Ephraim, Hoshea ben-Nun;
- 9. from the tribe of Benjamin, Palti ben-Raphu;
- 10. from the tribe of Zebulun, Gaddiel ben-Sodi;
- 11. from the tribe of Joseph, from the tribe of Manasseh, Gaddi ben-Susi;
- 12. from the tribe of Dan, Ammiel ben-Gemalli;

- 13. from the tribe of Asher, Sethur ben-Michael;
- 14. from the tribe of Naphtali, Nahbi ben-Vophsi;
- 15. from the tribe of Gad, Geuel ben-Makhi.
- 16. These are the names of the men whom Moses sent to spy out the land. But Moses called Hoshea ben-Nun, Joshua.
- 17. And when Moses sent them to spy out the land of Canaan, he said to them, "Go up this way into the Negev, and then, go on up to the hill country
- 18. and observe the land, how it is, and the people who dwell on it, whether they are strong or weak, few or many,
- 19. and what the land that they dwell in is like, whether good or bad, and what kind of cities they dwell in, whether in encampments or in strongholds,
- 20. whether the land is fertile or unproductive, whether trees are in it or not. And make an effort to bring back some of the fruit of the land." (Now the season was the time of the firstfruits of the grapes.)
- 21. And they went up and spied out the land from the wilderness of Zin to Rehob, as men go to Hamath.
- 22. And they went up through the Negev and came to Hebron, and Ahiman, Sheshai, and Talmai, the children of Anak, were there. (Now Hebron was built seven years before Zoan in Egypt.)
- 23. And they came to the valley of Eshcol, and from there, they cut down a branch with one cluster of grapes, and they bore it on a pole between two men, and some of the pomegranates and some of the figs.
- 24. That place was called the valley of Eshcol, on account of the cluster of grapes from there that the sons of Israel cut down.
- 25. And they returned from spying out the land at the end of forty days.
- 26. And they went and came to Moses, and to Aaron, and to all the congregation of the children of Israel in the wilderness of Paran, to Kadesh, and they brought back word to them and to all the congregation, and they showed them the fruit of the land.
- 27. And they reported to him, and they said, "We came to the land to which you sent us, and yes, it flows with milk and honey, and this is its fruit.
- 28. However, the people who dwell in the land are mighty, and the cities are fortified and very great, and we also saw the children of Anak there.
- 29. Amalek dwells in the land of the Negev; and the Hittites, and the Jebusites, and the Amorites dwell in the hill country, and the Canaanites dwell by the sea and along the Jordan."
- 30. Then Caleb silenced the people before Moses, and he said, "Let us go up at once and possess it, for we are well able to do it!"
- 31. But the men who went up with him said, "We are not able to go up against the people, for they are stronger than we are."

32. And they brought an evil report of the land which they had spied out to the children of Israel, saying, "The land that we passed through, to spy it out, is a land that consumes its inhabitants, and all the people that we saw in it are men of great stature.

33. We also saw the giants there, sons of Anak of the giants, and we were as grasshoppers in our eyes, and we were the same in their eyes."

- ¶1. Then all the congregation lifted up and joined their voices, and the people wept throughout that night.
- 2. And all the children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron, and the whole congregation said to them, "If only we had died in the land of Egypt, or that we had died in this wilderness!
- 3. Why has Jehovah brought us to this land to fall by the sword? Our wives and our little ones will become a prey. Would it not be better for us to return to Egypt?"
- 4. And they said, each one to his brother, "Let us appoint a leader, and let us return to Egypt."
- 5. Then Moses and Aaron fell on their faces before the whole Assembly of the congregation of the children of Israel.
- 6. But Joshua ben-Nun and Caleb ben-Jephunneh, who were among those who spied out the land, rent their garments,
- 7. and they spoke to all the congregation of the children of Israel, saying, "The land through which we passed to spy it out is an extraordinarily good land!
- 8. If Jehovah is pleased with us, then He will bring us into this land and give it to us, a land that flows with milk and honey!
- 9. Only, do not rebel against Jehovah, so that *y*ou fear the people of the land, for they are bread for us! Their protection is departed from them, and Jehovah is with us! Don't be afraid of them!"
- 10. Then all the congregation said to stone them with stones. But the glory of Jehovah appeared at the tent of meeting to all the children of Israel.
- 11. And Jehovah said to Moses, "How long will this people spurn me? And how long will they not believe in me, despite all the signs that I have performed in their midst?
- 12. I will strike them with the plague and disinherit them, and I will make you into a great nation, and mightier than they."
- 13. And Moses said to Jehovah, "But the Egyptians will hear! For by your power, you brought this people up from their midst,
- 14. and they will tell the inhabitants of this land. They have heard that you, Jehovah, are in the midst of this people, that you, Jehovah, are seen eye to eye, and your cloud stands over them, and you go before them in a pillar of cloud by day, and in a pillar of fire by night.

15. But should you kill this people as one man, then the nations that have heard of your fame will talk, saying,

- 16. 'Because Jehovah was not able to bring this people to the land which He swore to them, therefore, He slaughtered them in the wilderness.'
- 17. I pray then, let the power of my Lord now be great, just as you spoke, saying,
- 18. 'Jehovah! Slow to anger, and abundant in mercy, bearing with iniquity and transgression, but who by no means will leave *the wicked* unpunished, visiting the iniquity of fathers upon the children to the third and fourth generations.<sup>3</sup>'
- 19. Pardon, I pray you, the iniquity of this people according to the greatness of your mercy, and as you have borne with this people from Egypt even until now."
- 20. And Jehovah said, "I have pardoned, according to your word,
- 21. but even so, as I live, and as all the earth shall be filled with the glory of Jehovah,
- 22. truly, all the men who saw my glory, and my signs that I did in Egypt, and in the wilderness, and have tested me these ten times, and have not heeded my voice,
- 23. *I will damn myself* if they will ever see the land that I swore to their fathers.<sup>4</sup> Yea, none who spurned me shall see it!
- 24. But my servant Caleb, inasmuch as he had a different spirit with him and fully followed me, I will bring him into the land that he went into, and his seed shall possess it.
- 25. Now, the Amalekites and the Canaanites dwell in the valley. Tomorrow, turn, and take *y*ourselves into the wilderness, by the way of the Red Sea."
- ¶26. Then Jehovah spoke to Moses and to Aaron, saying,
- 27. "How long for this evil congregation who are murmuring against me? I have heard the murmurings of the children of Israel that they are murmuring against me.
- 28. Say to them, 'As I live, says Jehovah, *I will damn myself* if I do not do to *y*ou just as *y*ou spoke in my ears!
- 29. Your carcasses shall fall in this wilderness, yea, all who were numbered, your whole number, from twenty years old and above who have murmured against me.
- 30. *I will damn myself* if any of *y*ou shall come into the land for which I lifted my hand to settle *y*ou in it, except Caleb ben-Jephunneh, and Joshua ben-Nun!
- 31. But your little ones whom you said would be a prey, even them shall I bring in, and they will know the land which you rejected.
- 32. But as for you, your carcasses shall fall in this wilderness.
- 33. And *y*our children shall tend flocks in the wilderness forty years, and they shall bear *y*our whoredoms, until the last of *y*our carcasses is consumed in the wilderness.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Cf., Ex. 34:6–7.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Literally, only "—if they will ever see the land. . . ." The curse intended with this oath is so unthinkable—God's own death and damnation—that it is not even uttered. So also, 14:28, 30, 35; 32:11.

34. According to the number of the days that you spied out the land, forty days, shall you bear your iniquities forty years—a day for a year! a day for each year!—and you shall know my enmity.

- 35. I, Jehovah, have spoken: *I will damn myself* if I do not do this to all this wicked congregation who congregate against me. In this wilderness shall they be consumed, and there shall they die!"
- 36. And when the men whom Moses sent to spy out the land returned, they made all the congregation murmur against him by bringing an evil report concerning the land,
- 37. and those men that brought an evil report of the land died by the plague before Jehovah.
- 38. But Joshua ben-Nun, and Caleb ben-Jephunneh, of those men who went to spy out the land lived.
- 39. And Moses told these things to all the children of Israel, and the people mourned greatly.
- 40. And they arose early in the morning and went up to the top of the mountain, saying, "Here we are, and we are going up to the place that Jehovah said, for we have sinned."
- 41. But Moses said, "Why do this? You are transgressing the word of Jehovah; and it will not succeed.
- 42. Do not go up because Jehovah is not in *y*our midst, that *y*ou be not struck down before *y*our enemies.
- 43. For the Amalekites and the Canaanites are there before you, and you shall fall by the sword because you have turned back from following Jehovah, and Jehovah will not be with you."
- 44. But they presumed to go up to the top of the mountain, but the ark of the covenant of Jehovah, and Moses, did not depart from the midst of the camp.
- 45. And the Amalekites and the Canaanites who dwelt in that mountain came down, and they struck them down and destroyed them as far as Hormah.

- ¶1. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 2. "Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them, 'When you come into the land that I am giving to you for your dwellings
- 3. and you make an offering by fire to Jehovah, a burnt offering, or a sacrifice for an exceptional vow, or a freewill offering, or at your appointed times, to make a placating aroma to Jehovah, from the herd or the flock,
- 4. then he who brings his offering shall bring to Jehovah a grain offering of a tenth-part of fine flour mixed with a fourth-part of a hin of oil,
- 5. and a fourth-part of a hin of wine for the drink offering; you shall do this for each lamb of the burnt offering or sacrifice.

6. Or for a ram, you shall make a grain offering of two tenth-parts of fine flour mixed with a third-part of a hin of oil,

- 7. and for the drink offering, you shall offer a third-part of a hin of wine, a placating aroma to Jehovah.
- 8. And when you prepare a young bullock as a burnt offering, or for a sacrifice for an exceptional vow, or of peace offerings to Jehovah,
- 9. then he shall offer with the young bullock a grain offering of three tenth-parts of fine flour mixed with half a hin of oil,
- 10. and you shall offer as a drink offering half a hin of wine as an offering made by fire, a placating aroma to Jehovah.
- 11. In this manner shall it be done for one ox, or for one ram, or for lambs or kids from the flock.
- 12. According to the number that *y*ou prepare, so shall *y*ou do for each one of their number.
- 13. Every native-born man shall do these things in this manner, when making an offering by fire, a placating aroma to Jehovah.
- 14. When a sojourner who sojourns with *y*ou, or whoever is among *y*ou throughout *y*our generations, makes an offering made by fire, a placating aroma to Jehovah, he shall do just as you do.
- 15. The Assembly shall have one ordinance. For you and for the sojourner who sojourns among you, there shall be one ordinance forever throughout your generations; as you are, so will the sojourner be before Jehovah.
- 16. There shall be one law and one custom for *y*ou and for the sojourner who sojourns with *y*ou."
- ¶17. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 18. "Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them, 'When you come into the land to which I am bringing you,
- 19. then it shall be that when you eat of the food of the land, you shall take out a portion for Jehovah.
- 20. As firstfruits of *y*our dough, *y*ou shall excise a cake as a portion; like a portion from a threshing floor, so *y*ou shall excise it.
- 21. From the first of your dough, you shall give a portion to Jehovah throughout your generations.
- ¶22. "And if you have erred and not kept all of these commandments that Jehovah has spoken to Moses,
- 23. any that Jehovah commanded *y*ou by the hand of Moses from the day that Jehovah commanded *them* and onward, throughout *y*our generations,
- 24. then it shall be, if it was committed ignorantly without the awareness of the congregation, that the whole congregation shall offer one young bullock as a burnt

- offering, for a placating aroma to Jehovah, with its grain offering and its drink offering according to the ordinance, and one male from the goats for a sin offering.
- 25. And the priest shall make an atonement for all the congregation of the children of Israel, and it shall be forgiven them, for it was a sin of ignorance, and they shall bring their offering made by fire to Jehovah, and their sin offering before Jehovah for their ignorance,
- 26. and all the congregation of the children of Israel shall be forgiven, and the sojourner who sojourns in their midst, because all the people were in ignorance.
- ¶27. "But if one person sins ignorantly, then he shall bring a year old she-goat for a sin offering,
- 28. and the priest shall make atonement before Jehovah for the ignorant soul when he commits a sin of ignorance, making atonement for him, that it may be forgiven him.
- 29. There shall be one law for *y*ou concerning him who commits sin ignorantly, *both for* the native-born children of Israel and for the sojourner who sojourns in *y*our midst.
- 30. But the soul who acts defiantly, whether native-born or a sojourner, he is blaspheming Jehovah, and that soul shall be cut off from among his people.
- 31. Because he has despised the word of Jehovah and broken His commandment, that soul shall surely be cut off; his iniquity shall be upon him."
- ¶32. And it came to pass while the children of Israel were in the wilderness, they found a man gathering sticks on the Sabbath day.
- 33. And those who found him gathering sticks brought him to Moses, and to Aaron, and to the whole congregation.
- 34. And they put him in custody because what should be done to him had not been revealed.
- 35. And Jehovah said to Moses, "The man shall surely be put to death; all the congregation shall stone him with stones outside the camp."
- 36. Then all the congregation brought him outside the camp, and they stoned him with stones, and he died, as Jehovah had commanded Moses.
- ¶37. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 38. "Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them that they shall make for themselves a tassel on the hems of their garments throughout their generations, and for the tassel of the hem, they shall use blue thread.
- 39. And it shall be for *y*ou a tassel that *y*ou might see it and remember all the commandments of Jehovah and do them, so that *y*ou do not follow after *y*our own heart and after *y*our eyes, by which *y*ou go a-whoring,
- 40. that you might remember, and do all my commandments, and be holy to your God.
- 41. I am Jehovah your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt to be your God; I am Jehovah your God."

¶1. Now, Korah the son of Izhar, the son of Kohath, the son of Levi, and Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab, and On the son of Peleth, sons of Reuben, took

- 2. men of the children of Israel, two hundred and fifty leaders of the congregation, chosen men of the Assembly, men of reputation, and they rose up before Moses.
- 3. And they assembled against Moses and against Aaron, and they said to them, "You take too much on yourselves! For the whole congregation is holy—all of them!—and Jehovah is in their midst! Why then do you exalt yourselves above the Assembly of Jehovah?"
- 4. And when Moses heard *this*, he fell on his face.
- 5. Then he spoke to Korah and to all his congregation, saying, "In the morning, Jehovah will show who is His, and who is holy, and He will cause *him* to draw near to Him. And He will cause the one He has chosen for Himself to draw near Him.
- 6. Do this. Take censers for yourselves, Korah and all his congregation,
- 7. and put fire in them, and lay incense on them before Jehovah tomorrow. And it will be that the one whom Jehovah chooses, he is holy. *You take* too much on *y*ourselves, *you* sons of Levi!"
- 8. And Moses said to Korah, "Hear me now, you sons of Levi!
- 9. Is it a small thing to *y*ou that the God of Israel has separated *y*ou from the congregation of Israel to bring *y*ou near to Him to do the work of the tabernacle of Jehovah and to stand before the congregation to serve them?
- 10. He has brought you, *Korah*, near, and all your brothers, the sons of Levi, with you, and you are after the priesthood as well?
- 11. That is why you and your congregation have assembled *y*ourselves against Jehovah! As for Aaron, what is he, that *y*ou murmur against him?"
- 12. And Moses sent to call for Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab, but they said, "We will not come up.
- 13. Is it a small thing that you brought us out of a land flowing with milk and honey to kill us in the wilderness, that you have made yourself ruler over us? Yea, you appointed yourself ruler!
- 14. Indeed, you have not brought us to a land flowing with milk and honey, or given us an inheritance of fields and vineyards. Will you put out the eyes of those men? We will not come up!"
- 15. Then Moses was very angry, and said to Jehovah, "Have no respect for their offering. Not one donkey have I taken from them. Neither have I done harm to one of them."
- 16. And Moses said to Korah, "You, and all your congregation, be before Jehovah tomorrow, you, and they, and Aaron.
- 17. And each man bring his fire-pan, and put incense on them, and bring them before Jehovah, each man his fire-pan, two hundred and fifty fire-pans—and you and Aaron—each his fire-pan."

18. So they brought, each man, his fire-pan, and they put fire on them and placed incense on them, and they stood at the entrance of the tent of meeting with Moses and Aaron.

- 19. And Korah assembled all the congregation against them at the entrance of the tent of meeting, and the glory of Jehovah appeared to the whole congregation.
- 20. And Jehovah spoke to Moses and to Aaron, saying,
- 21. "Separate yourselves from the midst of this congregation, that I may consume them in a moment!"
- 22. But they fell on their faces, and they said, "O God, the God of the spirits of all flesh, shall one man sin, and you be angry with the whole congregation?"
- 23. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 24. "Speak to the congregation, saying, 'Get up from around the dwelling of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram."
- 25. And Moses arose and went to Dathan and Abiram, and the elders of Israel followed him.
- 26. And he spoke to the congregation, saying, "Get away, I pray you, from the tents of these wicked men, and touch nothing that is theirs, lest you are swept away in all their sins."
- 27. And they got up from around the dwelling of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram. And Dathan and Abiram came out and stood at the entrance of their tents, with their wives, and their sons, and their little ones.
- 28. And Moses said, "By this shall you know that Jehovah sent me to do all these works and that it is not of my own will:
- 29. if these men die the death common to man, or they are visited with a visitation common to man, Jehovah has not sent me.
- 30. But if Jehovah creates a new thing, and the ground opens its mouth and swallows them, and all that belongs to them, and they go down alive to Sheol, then *y*ou shall know that these men have despised Jehovah."
- 31. And it came to pass as he finished speaking all these words, that the ground under them split open.
- 32. And the earth opened its mouth and swallowed them, and their households, and all the men that belong to Korah, with all the goods.
- 33. And they, and all who belonged to them, went down alive to Sheol and the earth closed over them, and they were destroyed from the midst of the Assembly.
- 34. And all Israel who were round about them fled at their cry, for they said, "Lest the earth swallow us up."
- 35. And fire came out from Jehovah, and it consumed the two hundred and fifty men who were offering incense.
- ¶36. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 37. "Speak to Eleazar ben-Aaron, the priest, that he take up the fire-pans from the midst of the burning and scatter the ashes yonder, for they have been consecrated,

38. with the fire-pans of these sinners, at the cost of their lives, and make them into beaten plates to be a plating for the altar, for they offered them before Jehovah; therefore, they are holy, and they will be a sign to the children of Israel."

- 39. And Eleazar the priest took the bronze fire-pans that those who were burned up had offered, and they beat them into a plating for the altar,
- 40. as a memorial to the children of Israel that a stranger, whoever is not of the seed of Aaron, does not come near to offer incense before Jehovah, and he not be like Korah and like his congregation, as Jehovah said to him by the hand of Moses.
- 41. But the next day, all the congregation of the children of Israel murmured against Moses, and against Aaron, saying, "You have killed the people of Jehovah!"
- 42. And it came to pass, when the congregation had assembled against Moses, and against Aaron, that they turned to the tent of meeting, and behold, the cloud covered it, and the glory of Jehovah appeared.
- 43. And Moses and Aaron went to the front of the tent of meeting.
- 44. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 45. "Get up from the midst of this congregation, and I will consume them in a moment." And they fell on their faces.
- 46. And Moses said to Aaron, "Take the fire-pan, and put fire from the altar on it, and place incense on it, and go quickly to the congregation and make atonement for them, for wrath has gone out from Jehovah; the plague has begun!"
- 47. And Aaron took it, as Moses said, and he ran into the midst of the Assembly, and behold, the plague had begun among the people. And he put on the incense and made atonement for the people.
- 48. And he stood between the dead and the living, and the plague was stayed.
- 49. And they that died in the plague were fourteen thousand seven hundred, besides those who died in the matter of Korah.
- 50. And Aaron returned to Moses at the entrance of the tent of meeting, for the plague was stayed.

- ¶1. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 2. "Speak to the children of Israel, and take a rod from them, a rod for the house of *his* father from all of their princes, twelve rods according to the house of their fathers. You shall write each man's name on his rod.
- 3. And you shall write Aaron's name on a rod for Levi, that there be one rod for the head of the house of their fathers.
- 4. And you shall place them in the tent of meeting before the testimony, where I meet with *y*ou.

5. And it shall come to pass that the rod of the man whom I choose shall bud, and I will cause to cease from me the murmurings of the children of Israel which they murmur against *y*ou."

- 6. And Moses spoke to the children of Israel, and all of their princes gave him a rod, for each prince a rod, for each prince according to the house of their fathers, twelve rods, and Aaron's rod was among their rods.
- 7. And Moses placed the rods before Jehovah in the tent of the testimony.
- 8. And it came to pass on the next day that Moses went into the tent of the testimony, and behold, Aaron's rod for the house of Levi had sprouted. Yea, it had put forth buds, and produced blossoms, and yielded almonds.
- 9. And Moses brought out all the rods from before Jehovah to all the children of Israel, and they looked, and each man took his rod.
- 10. And Jehovah said to Moses, "Put Aaron's rod back before the testimony, to keep as a sign for the rebellious children, and put an end to their murmurings against me, that they not die."
- 11. And Moses did so; as Jehovah commanded him, so he did.
- 12. But the children of Israel spoke to Moses, saying, "Behold, we perish! All of us will be destroyed! We will be destroyed!
- 13. All who come anywhere near the tabernacle of Jehovah shall die. Are we to utterly perish?"

- ¶1. And Jehovah said to Aaron, "You, and your sons, and your father's house with you shall bear the iniquity of the sanctuary, and you, and your sons with you, shall bear the iniquity of your priesthood.
- 2. And also, bring your brothers of the tribe of Levi, the tribe of your father, near to you, that they may be joined to you and minister to you, but you and your sons with you shall be before the tent of the testimony.
- 3. And they shall keep your charge and the charge of the whole tent, but they shall not come near to the vessels of the sanctuary, or to the altar, that neither they nor *y*ou die.
- 4. But they shall be joined to you and keep the charge of the tent of meeting concerning all the service of the tent. But a stranger shall not come near to *y*ou.
- 5. And you shall keep the charge of the sanctuary, and the charge of the altar, that wrath will no longer be upon the children of Israel.
- 6. And I, behold, I have taken *y*our brothers, the Levites, from among the children of Israel for *y*ou; they are given as a gift to Jehovah, to do the work of the tent of meeting.
- 7. But you and your sons with you shall attend to your priesthood in all that concerns the altar and that which is within the veil, and you shall do the service. I have given your priesthood as a gift. And the stranger that comes near shall be put to death."

¶8. Jehovah also said to Aaron, "And I, behold, I have given you the charge of my portions of all the holy things of the children of Israel; I have given them to you and to your sons as a consecrated portion by statute forever.

- 9. This shall be yours of the most holy things from *those offered* by fire of all their offerings, of all their grain offerings, and of all their sin offerings, and of all their guilt offerings that they return to me; it shall be most holy to you and to your sons.
- 10. You shall eat it in the Most Holy Place. Every male may eat it; it is set apart for you.
- 11. This also is yours: the exsect offering of their gift from all the wave offerings of the children of Israel (I have given them to you, and to your sons, and to your daughters with you by statute forever; everyone who is clean among your household may eat it);
- 12. all the best of fresh oil, and all the best of new wine, and their firstfruits of grain which they give to Jehovah. I have given them to you.
- 13. The firstfruits of all that is in their land, which they bring to Jehovah shall be yours; everyone who is clean in your household may eat of it.
- 14. Every devoted thing in Israel shall be yours.
- 15. All that first opens the womb of any flesh which they bring to Jehovah, whether of man or of beast, shall be yours; only, you must redeem the firstborn of man, and you shall redeem the firstborn of an unclean beast.
- 16. And it shall be redeemed when a month old; you shall redeem according to your valuation of five silver shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary, which is twenty gerahs.
- 17. But a firstborn of cattle, or firstborn of sheep, or firstborn of a goat, you shall not redeem; they are holy. You shall sprinkle their blood on the altar, and you shall burn their fat as an offering made by fire as a placating aroma to Jehovah.
- 18. And their flesh shall be yours, as the breast of the wave offering and the right shoulder is yours.
- 19. All the exsect offerings of the holy things that the children of Israel offer up to Jehovah have I given to you and to your sons and daughters with you by statute forever; it is a covenant of salt to you and to your seed with you forever, before Jehovah."
- 20. And Jehovah said to Aaron, "You shall not receive an inheritance in their land, nor shall there be a portion for you among them. I am your portion and your inheritance in the midst of the children of Israel.
- 21. And, behold, to the children of Levi have I given all the tithe in Israel for an inheritance for their service that they perform, the service of the tent of meeting.
- 22. And the children of Israel must no longer draw near to the tent of meeting lest they bear sin and die.
- 23. But the Levite alone shall perform the service of the tent of meeting, and they shall bear their iniquity. It is a statute forever throughout *y*our generations that among the children of Israel, they shall receive no inheritance.

24. But the tithe of the children of Israel which they render to Jehovah as a portion, I have given to the Levites as an inheritance. This is why I said to them that among the children of Israel, they shall receive no inheritance."

- ¶25. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 26. "Speak also to the Levites, and say to them, 'When you take the tithe from the children of Israel which I have given to you from them as your inheritance, then you shall take Jehovah's portion out of it, a tithe of the tithe.
- 27. And your portion shall be reckoned to you as the grain from the threshing floor, and as the fullness of the winepress.
- 28. In such manner, you shall also offer Jehovah's portion out of all your tithes which you accept from the children of Israel, and you shall give Jehovah's portion from it to Aaron the priest.
- 29. From all your gifts, you shall render all of Jehovah's portions from the choicest part, its consecrated portion.'
- 30. And you shall say to them, 'When you have rendered its choicest part from it, then it shall be reckoned to the Levites as the increase of the threshing floor and as the increase of the winepress.
- 31. And you shall eat it anywhere, you and your household. It is for your service in the tent of meeting.
- 32. And you shall not bear sin on account of it when you render the choicest part of it. And you shall not profane the holy things of the children of Israel, lest you die."

- ¶1. And Jehovah spoke to Moses and to Aaron, saying,
- 2. "This is a statute of the law which Jehovah commands, saying, 'Speak to the children of Israel, that they bring to you a red heifer without defect, in which is no blemish, on which a yoke has never been placed.
- 3. And you shall give it to Eleazar the priest, and he shall take it outside the camp, and one shall slaughter it before him.
- 4. And Eleazar the priest shall take some of her blood with his finger and sprinkle of her blood at the front of the tent of meeting seven times.
- 5. And one shall burn up the heifer in his sight. Her skin, and her flesh, and her blood, with her dung, shall he burn up.
- 6. And the priest shall take cedar wood, and hyssop, and bright scarlet, and cast it into the midst of the burning heifer.
- 7. Then the priest shall wash his garments and bathe his flesh in water, and afterward, he may come into the camp, but the priest will be unclean until evening.
- 8. And the one who burned her up shall wash his clothes in water and bathe his flesh in water, and he shall be unclean until evening.

9. And a man who is clean shall gather the ashes of the heifer and place them outside the camp in a clean place, and they shall be kept for the water of impurity for the congregation of the children of Israel; it is for purification from sin.

- 10. And the one who gathers the ashes of the heifer shall wash his clothes and shall be unclean until evening. And this shall be a statute forever for the children of Israel and for the stranger who sojourns among them.
- 11. He who touches the dead body of any man shall also be unclean seven days.
- 12. He shall purify himself with it on the third day, and on the seventh day, he shall be clean. But if he does not purify himself on the third day, then on the seventh day, he shall not be clean.
- 13. Whoever touches the dead body of a man who died and does not purify himself defiles the tabernacle of Jehovah, and that soul shall be cut off from Israel, for the water of impurity was not sprinkled on him. He is unclean; his uncleanness is still upon him.
- 14. This is the law when a man dies in a tent: everyone who comes into the tent and everything that is in the tent shall be unclean seven days.
- 15. And every open vessel that has no cover fastened on it is unclean.
- 16. And whoever touches one who was slain with a sword in the open field, or a dead *body*, or a man's bone, or a grave shall be unclean seven days.
- 17. And for an unclean person, they shall take some ashes of the burnt *heifer* for purification from sin, and he shall pour running water on them in a vessel.
- 18. Then a clean man shall take hyssop and dip it in the water, and he shall sprinkle it on the tent, and on all the vessels, and on the people who were there, and on him who touched the bone, or the slain, or the dead *body*, or the grave.
- 19. And the clean man shall sprinkle it on the unclean person on the third day and on the seventh day. And on the seventh day, he shall purify him, and he shall wash his clothes and bathe in water, and he shall be clean at evening.
- 20. But a man who is defiled and does not purify himself, that soul shall surely be cut off from the midst of the Assembly because he defiled the sanctuary of Jehovah. The water of impurity was not sprinkled on him; he is unclean.
- 21. And it shall be a statute for them forever. And he that sprinkles the water of impurity shall wash his clothes, and he who touches the water of impurity shall be unclean until evening.
- 22. And whatever the unclean person touches shall be unclean, and the soul who touches *it* shall be unclean until evening."

- ¶1. And the children of Israel, the whole congregation, entered the wilderness of Zin in the first month, and the people dwelt at Kadesh. And Miriam died there and was buried there.
- 2. And there was no water for the congregation, and they assembled against Moses and against Aaron.

3. And the people contended with Moses and spoke, saying, "If only we had died when our brothers died before Jehovah.

- 4. For why have *y*ou brought the congregation of Jehovah into this wilderness to die here, we and our beasts?
- 5. And why did *y*ou make us come up out of Egypt, to bring us to this evil place, a place without seed, or fig, or vine, or pomegranate? And there is no water to drink!"
- 6. And Moses and Aaron went from the presence of the Assembly to the entrance of the tent of meeting and fell on their faces, and the glory of Jehovah appeared to them.
- 7. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 8. "Take the rod, and assemble the congregation, you and Aaron your brother, and *y*ou shall speak to the rock in their sight, and it will give of its water. Thus shall you bring forth water for them from the rock and give drink to the congregation and their beasts."
- 9. And Moses took the rod from before Jehovah, as He had commanded him.
- 10. Then Moses and Aaron gathered the Assembly before the rock, and he said to them, "Hear now, rebels. Must we bring forth water for *y*ou from this rock?"
- 11. And Moses lifted his hand, and he struck the rock with his rod twice, and water came forth abundantly, and the congregation drank, and their beasts.
- 12. Then Jehovah said to Moses and to Aaron, "Because you did not believe me to sanctify me in the sight of the children of Israel, therefore, you shall not bring this Assembly into the land that I have given them."
- 13. Those are the waters of Meribah because the children of Israel strove with Jehovah, and He was sanctified in them.
- ¶14. And from Kadesh, Moses sent messengers to the king of Edom, "Thus says your brother Israel, 'You know all the hardship that has come upon us,
- 15. that our fathers went down to Egypt, and we dwelt in Egypt many days, and the Egyptians treated us and our fathers harshly.
- 16. And we cried out to Jehovah, and He heard our voice and sent an angel, and he brought us out from Egypt, and behold, we are at Kadesh, a city on the edge of your territory.
- 17. Let us pass by, I pray, through your country. We will not pass through field or through vineyard, nor will we drink water from a well. We will travel on the King's Highway. We will not turn right or left until we have passed through your territory."
- 18. But Edom said to him, "You shall not pass through me! Otherwise, I will come out to meet you with the sword."
- 19. And the children of Israel said to him, "We will go up by the highway, and if I or my cattle drink your water, then I will pay its price—only this one thing, let me pass through on my feet."

20. But he said, "You shall not pass through." And Edom came out to meet him with a heavy force and a strong hand.

- 21. Thus Edom refused to give Israel passage through his territory, and Israel turned away from him.
- ¶22. And the children of Israel, the whole congregation, set out from Kadesh, and they came to Mount Hor.
- 23. And Jehovah spoke to Moses and to Aaron at Mount Hor on the border of the land of Edom, saying,
- 24. "Aaron shall be gathered to his people, for he shall not enter into the land that I have given to the children of Israel because *y*ou rebelled against my command at the waters of Meribah.
- 25. Take Aaron and Eleazar his son, and bring them up on Mount Hor.
- 26. And strip Aaron of his garments, and put them on Eleazar his son. Then Aaron shall be gathered and die there."
- 27. And Moses did as Jehovah commanded, and they went up to Mount Hor in the sight of all the congregation.
- 28. And Moses stripped Aaron of his garments and put them on Eleazar his son. And Aaron died there on the top of the mount. Then Moses came down with Eleazar from the mount.
- 29. And all the congregation saw that Aaron had died, and all the house of Israel wept for Aaron thirty days.

- ¶1. And the Canaanite king of Arad, who dwelt in the Negev, heard that Israel was coming by the way of Atharim, and he fought against Israel and took some of them captive.
- 2. Then Israel vowed a vow to Jehovah and said, "If you will at all give this people into my hand, then I will devote their cities."
- 3. And Jehovah listened to the voice of Israel, and He delivered up the Canaanites, and he devoted them and their cities, and named that place Hormah.
- ¶4. Then they set out from Mount Hor by the way of the Red Sea to go around the land of Edom, and the soul of the people became impatient on the way.
- 5. And the people spoke against God, and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up from Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no bread, and there is no water, and our soul loathes this miserable bread."
- 6. And Jehovah sent snakes, venomous snakes, among the people, and they bit the people, and many of the people of Israel died.
- 7. Then the people came to Moses, and they said, "We have sinned, for we spoke against Jehovah, and against you. Pray to Jehovah that He will take the snakes away from us." So Moses prayed for the people.

8. And Jehovah said to Moses, "Make for yourself a venomous serpent, and set it on a pole, and it shall be that anyone who is bitten and looks at it shall live.

- 9. And Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on the pole, and it came to pass that if a snake bit a man and he looked at the bronze serpent, then he lived.
- ¶10. And the children of Israel set out and encamped at Oboth.
- 11. And they set out from Oboth and encamped at Ijea-haabarim in the wilderness that is before Moab, toward the sunrise.
- 12. From there, they set out and encamped at the wadi Zared.
- 13. From there, they set out and encamped on the other side of Arnon, which is in the wilderness that comes out from the border of the Amorites, for Arnon is the border of Moab, between Moab and the Amorites.
- 14. (Therefore, it is said in the book of the wars of Jehovah, "Wahev in Suphah and the wadis, Arnon
- 15. and the bed of the wadis that extend to the site of Ar and that slope toward the border of Moab.")
- 16. And from there, *they set out* to Beer; it is the well where Jehovah said to Moses, "Gather the people, and I will give them water."
- 17. Then Israel sang this song, "Spring up, O well!—Sing to it!—
- 18. the well for which the princes searched. Nobles of the people dug it, at the direction of the lawgiver, with their staffs." And from the wilderness, *they set out* to Mattanah;
- 19. and from Mattanah to Nahaliel; and from Nahaliel to Bamoth;
- 20. and from Bamoth, the valley that is in the country of Moab, to the top of Pisgah, which looks down over Jeshimon.
- ¶21. And Israel sent messengers to Sihon, king of the Amorites, saying,
- 22. "Let me pass through your land. We will not turn into field nor into vineyard; we will not drink water from a well. We will travel on the King's Highway until we have passed through your territory."
- 23. But Sihon would not allow Israel to pass through his territory, and Sihon gathered all his people and went out to confront Israel in the wilderness. And he came to Jahaz and fought against Israel.
- 24. And Israel struck him with the edge of the sword and took possession of his land from Arnon to Jabbok, unto the children of Ammon, for the border of the children of Ammon was strong.
- 25. And Israel took all these cities, and Israel dwelt in all the cities of the Amorites, in Heshbon, and in all its villages.
- 26. For Heshbon was the city of Sihon, king of the Amorites, and he had fought against the former king of Moab and had taken out of his hand all his land as far as the Arnon.
- 27. Because of this, they who make proverbs say, "Come to Heshbon! Let the city of Sihon be built and established.

28. For a fire went out from Heshbon, a flame from the city of Sihon. It consumed Ar of Moab, *and* the lords of the heights of Arnon.

- 29. Woe to you, Moab! You are destroyed, O people of Chemosh. He has given his escaped sons and his daughters into captivity to Sihon, king of the Amorites,
- 30. and we shot them. Heshbon unto Dibon has perished, and we have laid waste as far as Nophah, which reaches to Medeba."
- 31. And Israel dwelt in the land of the Amorite.
- ¶32. Then Moses sent to spy out Jazer, and they captured its villages and dispossessed the Amorites who were there.
- 33. And they turned and went up by the way of Bashan, and Og, the king of Bashan, came out to confront them, he and all his people, for battle at Edrei.
- 34. And Jehovah said to Moses, "Do not be afraid of him for I have given him into your hand, and all his people, and his land, and you shall do to him just as you did to Sihon, king of the Amorites who dwelt in Heshbon.
- 35. And they struck him down, and his sons, and all his people, until none of his was left alive, and they possessed his land.

- ¶1. And the children of Israel set out and encamped in the plains of Moab on this side of Jordan, opposite Jericho.
- 2. And Balak ben-Zippor saw all that Israel had done to the Amorites.
- 3. And Moab was very afraid of the people, for they were many, and Moab was in great dread of the children of Israel.
- 4. And Moab said to the elders of Midian, "This company will now lick up everything around us, as the ox licks up the grass of the field." Now Balak ben-Zippor was king of Moab at that time.
- 5. And he sent messengers to Balaam ben-Beor at Pethor, which is by the river of the land of the children of his people, to call him, saying, "Behold, a people has come out of Egypt. Behold, they cover the face of the earth and are abiding over against me.
- 6. So, come, I pray you, at once! Curse this people for me, for they are mightier than I! Perhaps I will be able to strike them down and drive them out of the land, for I know that whom you bless is blessed, and whom you curse is cursed."
- 7. Then the elders of Moab and the elders of Midian went with rewards for divination in their hand, and they came to Balaam and spoke the words of Balak to him.
- 8. And he said to them, "Stay here tonight, and I will bring you word, whatever Jehovah speaks to me." And the princes of Moab remained with Balaam.
- 9. And God came to Balaam and said, "Who are these men with you?"
- 10. And Balaam said to God, "Balak ben-Zippor, king of Moab, has sent to me, saying,

11. 'There is a people who have come out of Egypt and cover the face of the land. Come at once, and curse them for me! Perhaps I will be able to fight against them and drive them out.'"

- 12. And God said to Balaam, "Do not go with them. You shall not curse the people, for they are blessed."
- 13. And Balaam arose in the morning, and he said to the princes of Balak, "Go to your land for Jehovah refuses to allow me to go with you."
- 14. And the princes of Moab rose up and went to Balak, and they said, "Balaam refused to come with us."
- 15. But Balak again sent princes, more numerous and nobler than these.
- 16. And they came to Balaam and said to him, "Thus says Balak ben-Zippor, 'Let nothing, I pray, restrain you from coming to me.
- 17. For I will promote you to great honor, and I will do anything that you say to me. So come, I pray! Curse this people for me!"
- 18. And Balaam answered and said to the servants of Balak, "If Balak were to give me his house full of silver and gold, I cannot go beyond the word of Jehovah my God to do less or more.
- 19. Yet, for now, you also stay here tonight, if you will, and I will know what more Jehovah might say to me."
- 20. And God came to Balaam at night, and He said to him, "Since the men have come to summon you, rise up. Go with them! Nevertheless, the thing that I say to you, that only shall you do."
- 21. And Balaam arose in the morning, and loaded his she-ass, and went with the princes of Moab.
- 22. But God's anger was kindled because he went. And an angel of Jehovah positioned himself in the road against him, for Satan. And he was riding on the ass, and two of his young men were with him.
- 23. And the ass saw the angel of Jehovah stationed in the road, and his drawn sword in his hand, and the ass turned aside from the road and went into the field. And Balaam struck the ass to turn her back to the road.
- 24. But the angel of Jehovah stood in a road closed in between vineyards, a wall on this side and a wall on that side.
- 25. And the ass saw the angel of Jehovah, and she pressed herself against the wall and pressed Balaam's foot against the wall, and he struck her again.
- 26. Then the angel of Jehovah moved on again, and he stood in a narrow place where there was no way to turn right or left.
- 27. And the ass saw the angel of Jehovah, and she lay down under Balaam. And Balaam's anger was kindled, and he struck the ass with his staff.

28. Then Jehovah opened the mouth of the ass, and she said to Balaam, "What have I done to you that you have struck me these three times?"

- 29. And Balaam said to the ass, "Because you have treated me badly. If only there was a sword in my hand, I would kill you right now!"
- 30. And the ass said to Balaam, "Am I not your ass upon whom you have ridden from the time I was yours until this day? Has it ever been my habit to do so to you?" And he said, "No."
- 31. Then Jehovah uncovered Balaam's eyes, and he saw the angel of Jehovah stationed in the road with his drawn sword in his hand, and he bowed down and did obeisance on his face.
- 32. And the angel of Jehovah said to him, "Why have you struck your ass these three times? Behold! I have come forth for Satan because your way is perverse before me.
- 33. And the ass saw me, and she turned from me these three times. Unless she had turned from me, I would surely have killed you by now and let her live."
- 34. And Balaam said to the angel of Jehovah, "I have sinned, for I did not know that you were stationed in the road to confront me. So, since it is now evil in your eyes, I shall go back."
- 35. But the angel of Jehovah said to Balaam, "You go with the men, but only the word that I say to you, that shall you speak." And so, Balaam went with the princes of Balak.
- 36. And Balak heard that Balaam was come, and he went out to meet him at a city of Moab that is on the border of Arnon, which was the border of his territory.
- 37. And Balak said to Balaam, "Did I not send urgently to you to call you? Why did you not come to me? Am I not indeed able to honor you?"
- 38. And Balaam said to Balak, "Behold, I have come to you now. Am I at all able to say anything? The word that God puts in my mouth, that will I speak."
- 39. And Balaam went with Balak, and they came to Kirjath-huzoth.
- 40. And Balak slaughtered cattle and sheep, and sent for Balaam and for the princes who had been with him.
- 41. And it came to pass in the morning that Balak took Balaam and brought him up to Bamoth-Baal, and from there, he saw the extent of the people.

- ¶1. And Balaam said to Balak, "Build me seven altars here and prepare seven bullocks and seven rams here for me."
- 2. And Balak did as Balaam said, and Balak offered, with Balaam, a bullock and a ram on *each* altar.

3. And Balaam said to Balak, "Stand by your burnt offering, and I will go. Perhaps Jehovah will come to meet me, and whatever He shows me, that will I tell you. And he went to a bare height.

- 4. And God did come to Balaam, and he said to Him, "I have set up the seven altars and have offered a bullock and a ram on *each* altar."
- 5. And Jehovah put a word in Balaam's mouth, and He said, "Return to Balak, and thus shall you speak."
- 6. So he returned to him, and behold, he was standing by his offering, he and all the princes of Moab.
- 7. And he took up his parable and said, "Balak, king of Moab, escorted me from Aram, from the mountains of the east, *saying*, 'Come, curse Jacob for me!' and 'Come, utter a curse on Israel!'
- 8. How can I curse? God has not cursed. And how can I utter a curse? Jehovah has not uttered a curse.
- 9. For from the top of the rocks I see him, and from the hills I behold him. Behold, a people shall dwell alone, and it shall not be reckoned among the nations.
- 10. Who can count the dust of Jacob or number a fourth of Israel? Let my soul die the death of upright men, and may my end be like his!"
- 11. Then Balak said to Balaam, "What have you done to me? I fetched you to curse my enemies, yet, behold, you have altogether blessed them."
- 12. And he answered and said, "Must I not take heed to speak that which Jehovah puts in my mouth?"
- 13. And Balak said to him, "Come with me, I pray you, to another place where you may see them. From there, you will see only a part of them, and not see them all. Then, curse them for me from there!"
- 14. And he brought him to the field of Zophim, at the top of Pisgah, and he built seven altars, and offered a bullock and a ram on *each* altar.
- 15. And he said to Balak, "Station yourself here, by your offering, and I will meet *Jehovah* there.
- 16. And Jehovah came to Balaam, and He put a word in his mouth, and He said, "Return to Balak, and thus shall you speak."
- 17. And he went to him, and behold, he was standing by his offering, and the princes of Moab with him, and Balak said to him, "What did Jehovah say?"
- 18. And he took up his parable and said, "Rise up, Balak, and hear! Give ear to me, O son of Zippor!
- 19. God is not a man that He should lie, nor a son of man that He should repent. Will He say and not do? Or will He speak and not establish it?

20. Behold, I received a commandment to bless. Yea, He has blessed, and I cannot reverse it.

- 21. He has not beheld iniquity in Jacob, nor has He seen mischief in Israel. Jehovah his God is with them, and the battle-cry of the King is among them.
- 22. God brought them out of Egypt as with the strength of His aurochs.
- 23. Truly, there is no enchantment against Jacob, nor is there divination against Israel. At the time, it will be said to Jacob and to Israel, 'What has God done?'
- 24. Behold, a people shall rise like a lion, and he shall raise himself like a lion. He shall not lie down until he eats the prey and drinks the blood of the slain."
- 25. And Balak said to Balaam, "Neither curse nor bless them at all!"
- 26. But Balaam answered and said to Balak, "Did I not tell you, saying, 'All that Jehovah says, that will I do'?"
- 27. So Balak said to Balaam, "Come, I pray you. I will take you to another place. Perhaps it will be pleasing in the eyes of God, and you will curse them for me from there."
- 28. And Balak took Balaam to the top of Peor, looking down over the Jeshimon.
- 29. And Balaam said to Balak, "Build me seven altars here, and prepare seven bullocks and seven rams for me here."
- 30. And Balak did just as Balaam said, and he offered a bullock and a ram on *each* altar.

- ¶1. Now, Balaam saw that it was good in the eyes of Jehovah to bless Israel, so he did not go, as at other times, to seek enchantments, but he set his face toward the wilderness.
- 2. And Balaam lifted his eyes, and he saw Israel dwelling according to his tribes, and the Spirit of God came upon him.
- 3. And he took up his parable and said, "An utterance of Balaam, Beor's son, even an utterance of the man whose eyes are open.
- 4. The utterance of one hearing the words of God, who sees a vision of the Almighty, falling down, with eyes uncovered.
- 5. How pleasant are your tents, O Jacob, your dwellings, O Israel!
- 6. Like streams, they are stretched out, like gardens by a river, like aloes planted by Jehovah, like cedars beside the waters.
- 7. Water shall flow from his buckets, and his seed will have waters in abundance. Moreover, his king shall be exalted above Agag, and his kingdom shall be lifted up.
- 8. God brought him forth out of Egypt, as with the strength of His aurochs. He shall consume nations, his adversaries, and he shall break their bones and his arrows shall pierce *them*.
- 9. He crouched; he lay down like a lion. And like a lion who can rouse him? He who blesses you will be blessed, and he who curses you will be cursed."

10. And Balak's anger was kindled against Balaam, and he slapped his hands, and Balak said to Balaam, "I called you to curse my enemies, but behold, you have blessed them altogether these three times.

- 11. So, now, flee to your place! I thought to honor you greatly, but, behold, Jehovah has kept you back from honor."
- 12. But Balaam said to Balak, "But did I not tell your messengers whom you sent to me, saying,
- 13. 'If Balak were to give me his house full of silver and gold, I cannot go beyond the word of Jehovah to do good or evil of my own will?' What Jehovah says, that will I say.
- 14. And, behold, I am going to my people now. Come! I will advise you as to what this people shall do to your people in time to come."
- 15. And he took up his parable, and said, "An utterance of Balaam, Beor's son, even an utterance of the man whose eyes are open.
- 16. The voice of him who hears the words of God and possesses knowledge of the Most High! A vision of the Almighty will he see, falling down, with eyes uncovered.
- 17. I shall see him, but not now. I shall behold him, but not soon. A star shall march forth from Jacob, and a scepter shall arise from Israel, and he will shatter the corners of Moab and beat down all the children of Sheth.
- 18. And Edom shall be a possession, and Seir, his enemies, shall be a possession, and Israel shall do valiantly.
- 19. And he shall rule from Jacob, and from the city, he will put the remnant to death."
- 20. Then he looked upon Amalek and took up his parable, and he said, "The first of nations was Amalek, but his end is to come to destruction."
- 21. And he looked upon the Kenites, and took up his parable, and he said, "Your dwelling place is enduring, and your nest is set on the crag.
- 22. Nevertheless, the Kenite shall be destroyed. How long shall Assyria take you captive?"
- 23. And he took up his parable, and he said, "Woe! Who shall live when God does it?
- 24. But ships *will come* from the coast of Kittim, and they shall afflict Assyria and afflict Eber, and he also shall come to destruction."
- 25. And Balaam rose up, and he went and returned to his place, and Balak also went on his way.

- ¶1. And Israel dwelled at Shittim, and the people began to commit whoredom with the daughters of Moab.
- 2. And the *Moabite* women invited the people to the sacrifices of their gods, and the people feasted and bowed themselves to the gods of those women.
- 3. And Israel joined himself to Baal at Peor, and the anger of Jehovah was kindled against Israel.

4. And Jehovah said to Moses, "Take all the heads of the people and execute them openly unto Jehovah, that the burning anger of Jehovah might be turned away from Israel."

- 5. And Moses said to the judges of Israel, "Each of *y*ou kill his men who were joined to Baal at Peor."
- 6. Then, behold, a man of the children of Israel came and brought a Midianite woman to his brethren, in the sight of Moses, and in the sight of the whole congregation of the children of Israel, while they were weeping at the entrance of the tent of meeting.
- 7. But Phinehas ben-Eleazar, son of Aaron the priest, saw it, and he rose up from among the congregation, and he took a spear in his hand.
- 8. And he went in after the man of Israel into the pavilion, and he ran the two of them through, the man of Israel, and the woman through her belly. And the plague on the children of Israel was stopped.
- 9. And those that died in the plague were twenty-four thousand.
- ¶10. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 11. "Phinehas ben-Eleazar, son of Aaron the priest, has turned my fury away from the children of Israel, for he was jealous with my jealousy in their midst, so that I did not consume the children of Israel in my jealousy.
- 12. Therefore, say, 'Behold, I am giving him my covenant of peace,
- 13. and it shall be his, and his seed's after him, a covenant of everlasting priesthood, because he was jealous for his God and made atonement for the children of Israel."
- 14. And the name of the man of Israel who was killed, who was struck down with the Midianite woman, was Zimri ben-Salu, a prince of the house of the father of the Simeonites.
- 15. And the name of the woman, the Midianite who was killed was Cozbi, daughter of Zur, who was head of a clan of a father's house in Midian.
- ¶16. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 17. "Vex the Midianites and slay them,
- 18. for they vex you with their wiles, with which they beguiled you in the matter of Peor, and in the matter of Cozbi, a daughter of a prince of Midian, their kinswoman who was slain in the day of the plague on account of the matter of Peor."

- ¶1. And it came to pass after the plague that Jehovah spoke to Moses, and to Eleazar ben-Aaron the priest, saying,
- 2. "Take the sum of the whole congregation of the children of Israel twenty years old and above by the house of their fathers, everyone in Israel who goes out in the host."
- 3. And Moses and Eleazar the priest spoke to them in the plains of Moab by Jordan at Jericho, saying,

4. "Take the sum of those twenty years old and above, as Jehovah commanded Moses, even the children of Israel who have come out of the land of Egypt."

- 5. Reuben, the firstborn of Israel. The sons of Reuben: *of* Hanoch, the family of the Hanochites; of Pallu, the family of the Palluites;
- 6. of Hezron, the family of the Hezronites; of Carmi, the family of the Carmites.
- 7. These are the families of the Reubenites. And they that were numbered of them were forty-three thousand seven hundred and thirty.
- 8. And the sons of Pallu: Eliab.
- 9. And the sons of Eliab: Nemuel, and Dathan, and Abiram. This is the Dathan and Abiram who were summoned from the congregation, who strove against Moses and against Aaron with the congregation of Korah when they strove against Jehovah.
- 10. And the earth opened its mouth and swallowed them, and Korah with that company who died when the fire devoured two hundred and fifty men and they became a sign.
- 11. (Yet the children of Korah did not die.)
- ¶12. The sons of Simeon by their families: of Nemuel, the family of the Nemuelites; of Jamin, the family of the Jaminites; of Jachin, the family of the Jachinites;
- 13. of Zerah, the family of the Zerahites; of Shaul, the family of the Shaulites.
- 14. These are the families of the Simeonites: twenty-two thousand two hundred.
- ¶15. The sons of Gad by their families: of Zephon, the family of the Zephonites; of Haggi, the family of the Haggites; of Shuni, the family of the Shunites;
- 16. of Ozni, the family of the Oznites; of Eri, the family of the Erites;
- 17. of Arod, the family of the Arodites; of Areli, the family of the Arelites.
- 18. These are the families of the sons of Gad, by those who were numbered of them: forty thousand five hundred.
- ¶19. The sons of Judah were Er and Onan, but Er and Onan died in the land of Canaan.
- 20. And the sons of Judah are, by their families: of Shelah, the family of the Shelanites; of Pharez, the family of the Pharezites; of Zerah, the family of the Zarhites.
- 21. And the sons of Pharez are: of Hezron, the family of the Hezronites; of Hamul, the family of the Hamulites.
- 22. These are the families of Judah, by those who were numbered of them: seventy-six thousand five hundred.
- $\P 23$ . The sons of Issachar by their families: *of* Tola, the family of the Tolaites; of Phuva, the family of the Phunites;
- 24. of Jashub, the family of the Jashubites; of Shimron, the family of the Shimronites.
- 25. These are the families of Issachar, by those who were numbered of them: sixty-four thousand three hundred.
- ¶26. The sons of Zebulun by their families: of Sered, the family of the Sardites; of Elon, the family of the Elonites; of Jahleel, the family of the Jahleelites.

27. These are the families of the Zebulunites, by those who were numbered of them: sixty thousand five hundred.

- ¶28. The sons of Joseph by their families: Manasseh and Ephraim.
- 29. The sons of Manasseh: of Machir, the family of the Machirites. And Machir fathered Gilead; of Gilead was the family of the Gileadites.
- 30. These are the sons of Gilead: *of* Jeezer, the family of the Jeezerites; of Helek, the family of the Helekites;
- 31. and *of* Asriel, the family of the Asrielites; and *of* Shechem, the family of the Shechemites;
- 32. and *of* Shemida, the family of the Shemidaites; and *of* Hepher, the family of the Hepherites.
- 33. (And Zelophehad ben-Hepher had no sons, but daughters only. And the names of the daughters of Zelophehad were Mahlah, and Noah, Hoglah, Milkah, and Tirzah.)
- 34. These are the families of Manasseh, and those who were numbered of them were fifty-two thousand seven hundred.
- ¶35. These are the sons of Ephraim by their families: of Shuthelah, the family of the Shuthalhites; of Becher, the family of the Bachrites; of Tahan, the family of the Tahanites.
- 36. And these are the sons of Shuthelah: of Eran, the family of the Eranites.
- 37. These are the families of the sons of Ephraim, by those who were numbered of them: thirty-two thousand five hundred. These were the sons of Joseph by their families.
- ¶38. The sons of Benjamin by their families: of Bela, the family of the Belaites; of Ashbel, the family of the Ashbelites; of Ahiram, the family of the Ahiramites;
- 39. of Shephupham, the family of the Shuphamites; of Hupham, the family of the Huphamites.
- 40. And the sons of Bela are Ard and Naaman: of Ard, the family of the Ardites; of Naaman, the family of the Naamites.
- 41. These are the sons of Benjamin by their families. And those who were numbered of them were forty-five thousand six hundred.
- ¶42. These are the sons of Dan by their families: of Shuham, the family of the Shuhamites. These are the families of Dan by their families.
- 43. All the families of the Shuhamites, by those who were numbered, were sixty-four thousand four hundred.
- ¶44. The sons of Asher by their families: of Imnah, the family of the Imnah; of Ishvi, the family of the Ishvites; of Beriah, the family of the Beriites.
- 45. Of the sons of Beriah: of Heber, the family of the Heberites; of Malchiel, the family of the Malchielites.
- 46. (And the name of the daughter of Asher was Sarah.)

47. These are the families of the sons of Asher, by those who were numbered of them: fifty-three thousand four hundred.

- ¶48. The sons of Naphtali by their families: of Jahzeel, the family of the Jahzeelites; of Guni, the family of the Gunites;
- 49. of Jezer, the family of the Jezerites; of Shillem, the family of the Shillemites.
- 50. These are the families of Naphtali by their families. And those who were numbered of them were forty-five thousand four hundred.
- 51. These were numbered of the sons of Israel: six hundred and one thousand seven hundred and thirty.
- ¶52. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 53. "To these shall the land be divided as an inheritance in proportion to the number of names.
- 54. For many, you shall enlarge its inheritance, and for few, you shall reduce its inheritance; each shall be given its inheritance according to its numbering.
- 55. Howbeit, the land shall be divided by lot; according to the names of the tribes of their fathers shall they inherit.
- 56. According to the lot shall its inheritance be divided between many and few."
- ¶57. And these are they who were numbered of the Levites by their families: of Gershon, the families of the Gershonites; of Kohath, the family of the Kohathites; of Merari, the family of the Merarites.
- 58. These are the families of Levi: the family of the Libnites; the family of the Hebronites; the family of the Mahlites; the family of the Mushites; the family of the Korhites. And Kohath fathered Amram.
- 59. And the name of Amram's wife was Jochebed, the daughter of Levi whom *her mother* bore to Levi in Egypt. And to Amram, she bore Aaron and Moses, and Miriam their sister.
- 60. And to Aaron was born Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.
- 61. And Nadab and Abihu died when they offered strange fire before Jehovah.
- 62. And those who were numbered of them were twenty-three thousand, every male a month old and above (for they were not numbered among the children of Israel because no inheritance was given to them among the children of Israel).
- ¶63. These are those who were numbered by Moses and Eleazar the priest who numbered the children of Israel in the plains of Moab by Jordan at Jericho.
- 64. And among these was not a man who was numbered by Moses and Aaron the priest when they numbered the children of Israel in the wilderness of Sinai.
- 65. For Jehovah had said to them, "They shall surely die in the wilderness." And not a man of them remained except Caleb ben-Jephunneh and Joshua ben-Nun.

¶1. Then the daughters of Zelophehad ben-Hepher, son of Gilead, son of Machir, son of Manasseh, of the families of Manasseh ben-Joseph, came near. And these are the names of his daughters: Mahlah, Noah, and Hoglah, and Milcah, and Tirzah.

- 2. And they stood before Moses, and before Eleazar the priest, and before the princes and all the congregation at the entrance of the tent of meeting, saying,
- 3. "Our father died in the wilderness, though he was not among the congregation that gathered against Jehovah with the congregation of Korah, but died in his own sin. Now, he had no sons.
- 4. Why should the name of our father disappear from among his family because he had no son? Give us a possession among the brothers of our father!"
- 5. And Moses brought their case before Jehovah.
- 6. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 7. "The daughters of Zelophehad have spoken rightly. You shall certainly give them a possession as an inheritance among the kinsmen of their father, and you shall cause the inheritance of their father to pass to them.
- 8. And you shall speak to the children of Israel, saying, 'If a man die and has no son, then you shall cause his inheritance to pass to his daughter.
- 9. And if he has no daughter, then you shall give his inheritance to his brothers.
- 10. And if he has no brothers, then you shall give his inheritance to his father's brothers.
- 11. And if his father has no brothers, then you shall give his inheritance to the nearest relative in his family, and he shall possess it." And this is a statute of judgment for the children of Israel, just as Jehovah commanded Moses.
- ¶12. And Jehovah said to Moses, "Go up to this mountain of Abarim, and see the land which I have given to the children of Israel.
- 13. When you have seen it, then you also shall be gathered to your people, just as Aaron your brother was gathered,
- 14. because *y*ou rebelled against my command in the wilderness of Zin, during the strife of the congregation, to sanctify me before their eyes concerning the waters." (They are the waters of Meribah at Kadesh in the wilderness of Zin.)
- 15. And Moses spoke to Jehovah, saying,
- 16. "May Jehovah, God of the spirits of all flesh, appoint a man over the congregation
- 17. who will go out before them, and who will come in before them, and who will lead them out, and who will bring them in, so that the congregation of Jehovah will not be like a flock which has no shepherd."
- 18. And Jehovah said to Moses, "Take Joshua ben-Nun, a man with whom is the Spirit, and lay your hand on him.
- 19. And cause him to stand before Eleazar the priest, and before the whole congregation, and charge him in their sight.

20. And you shall put some of your glory upon him, so that all the congregation of the children of Israel will obey *him*.

- 21. And he shall stand before Eleazar the priest, and he shall inquire for him before Jehovah with the judgment of the Urim. According to his word shall they go out, and according to his word shall they come in, he, and all the children of Israel with him, even the whole congregation."
- 22. And Moses did as Jehovah commanded him, and he took Joshua and caused him to stand before Eleazar the priest and before the whole congregation.
- 23. And he laid his hands on him and charged him just as Jehovah had spoken by the hand of Moses.

- ¶1. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 2. "Command the children of Israel, and say to them, 'My offering of my bread for my offerings made by fire, as my placating aroma, you shall be careful to bring to me at its appointed time.'
- 3. And you shall say to them, 'This is the offering made by fire which *y*ou shall bring to Jehovah: two unblemished lambs, a year-old, day by day as a continual burnt offering.
- 4. The one lamb, you shall offer in the morning, and the second lamb, you shall offer at twilight
- 5. with a tenth of an ephah of fine flour for a grain offering, mixed with a fourth part of a hin of beaten oil.
- 6. *It shall be* a continual burnt offering which was ordained on Mount Sinai. It is a placating aroma made by fire to Jehovah.
- 7. And its drink offering shall be a fourth part of a hin for the one lamb. In the holy place, you shall pour out the drink offering of strong drink to Jehovah.
- 8. And the second lamb, you shall offer at twilight. You shall do it as you did the morning grain offering, and its drink offering. It is an offering made by fire, a placating aroma to Jehovah.'
- ¶9. "And on the Sabbath day, *you shall offer* two unblemished lambs a year-old, with a grain offering of two tenth-parts of fine flour mixed with oil, and its drink offering,
- 10. as a burnt offering every Sabbath, besides the continual burnt offering and its drink offering.
- 11. And at the beginning of each of your months, you shall offer a burnt offering to Jehovah: two bullocks from the herd, and one ram, seven unblemished lambs a year-old,
- 12. with three tenth-parts of fine flour mixed with oil for a grain offering for each bullock, and two tenth-parts of fine flour mixed with oil for the grain offering for the one ram,

13. and a tenth-part of fine flour mixed with oil for the grain offering of each lamb, for a burnt offering, a placating aroma made by fire to Jehovah.

- 14. And their drink offerings shall be half a hin of wine for each bullock, and a third of a hin for the ram, and a fourth part of a hin for each lamb. This is the burnt offering for each month throughout the months of the year.
- 15. And *you shall offer* one male of the goats for a sin offering to Jehovah, besides the continual burnt offering that is made and its drink offering."
- ¶16. "And in the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month, is Jehovah's Passover.
- 17. And on the fifteenth day of this month shall be a feast. Seven days shall unleavened bread be eaten.
- 18. On the first day shall be a holy convocation; you shall do no servile work.
- 19. And you shall offer an offering made by fire, a burnt offering to Jehovah: two bullocks from the herd, and one ram, and seven lambs a year-old. They shall be unblemished ones belonging to you.
- 20. And their grain offering shall be fine flour mixed with oil; you shall offer three tenth-parts for each bullock, and two tenth-parts for the ram,
- 21. a tenth-part shall you offer for each lamb of the seven lambs.
- 22. And you shall offer one male goat for a sin offering to make atonement for you.
- 23. You shall offer these besides the morning burnt offering which is the continual burnt offering.
- 24. In this manner shall you offer a food-offering made by fire, a placating aroma to Jehovah, daily for the seven days. It shall be offered besides the continual burnt offering and its drink offering.
- 25. And on the seventh day shall be a holy convocation for you. You shall do no servile work.
- ¶26. "And on the day of firstfruits, when you bring a new grain offering to Jehovah after your weeks, there shall be a holy convocation for you. You shall do no servile work.
- 27. And you shall offer a burnt offering as a placating aroma to Jehovah: two bullocks from the herd, one ram, seven lambs a year-old.
- 28. And their grain offering shall be fine flour mixed with oil, three tenth-parts for each bullock, and two tenth-parts for the ram,
- 29. and a tenth-part for each lamb of the seven lambs.
- 30. And *you shall offer* one male of the goats to make atonement for *y*ou,
- 31. besides the continual burnt offering and its grain offering. You shall offer unblemished ones belonging to you, and their drink offerings.

¶1. "And in the seventh month, on the first day of the month, there shall be a holy convocation for you. You shall do no servile work. It shall be a day of blowing trumpets for you.

- 2. And you shall offer a burnt offering as a placating aroma to Jehovah: one bullock from the herd, one ram, seven unblemished lambs a year-old.
- 3. And their grain offering shall be fine flour mixed with oil, three tenth-parts for the bullock, two tenth-parts for the ram,
- 4. and one tenth-part for each lamb of the seven lambs.
- 5. And *you shall offer* one male of the goats for the sin offering to make atonement for *y*ou,
- 6. besides the burnt offering for the new moon and its grain offering, and the continual burnt offering and its grain offering, and their drink offerings, according to their ordinance, as a placating aroma made by fire to Jehovah.
- ¶7. "And on the tenth day of this seventh month, there shall be a holy convocation for you, and you shall afflict your souls. You shall do no work.
- 8. And you shall offer to Jehovah a burnt offering, a placating aroma: one bullock from the herd, one ram, seven lambs a year-old. They shall be unblemished ones belonging to you.
- 9. And their grain offering shall be fine flour mixed with oil, three tenth-parts for the bullock, two tenth-parts for the one ram,
- 10. and a tenth-part for each lamb of the seven lambs.
- 11. You shall offer one male of the goats for the sin offering, besides the sin offering of the atonements and the continual burnt offering and its grain offering, and their drink offerings.
- ¶12. "And on the fifteenth day of the seventh month, there shall be a holy convocation for you. You shall do no servile work. And you shall celebrate a feast to Jehovah seven days.
- 13. And you shall offer as a burnt offering, a placating aroma made by fire to Jehovah, thirteen bullocks from the herd, two rams, fourteen lambs a year-old. They shall be unblemished.
- 14. And their grain offerings shall be fine flour mixed with oil, three tenth-parts for each of the thirteen bullocks, two tenth-parts for each ram of the two rams,
- 15. and a tenth-part for each lamb of the fourteen lambs.
- 16. And *you shall offer* one male of the goats for a sin offering, besides the continual burnt offering, its grain offering and its drink offering.
- ¶17. "And on the second day, *you shall offer* twelve bullocks from the herd, two rams, fourteen lambs a year-old, unblemished,

18. and their grain offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, by their number according to the ordinance.

- 19. And *you shall offer* one male of the goats for a sin offering, besides the continual burnt offering and its grain offering, and their drink offerings.
- ¶20. "And on the third day, *you shall offer* eleven bullocks, two rams, fourteen lambs a year-old, unblemished,
- 21. and their grain offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, by their number according to the ordinance.
- 22. And *you shall offer* one male goat for a sin offering, besides the continual burnt offering and its grain offering and its drink offering.
- ¶23. "And on the fourth day, *you shall offer* ten bullocks, two rams, fourteen lambs a year-old, unblemished,
- 24. their grain offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, by their number according to the ordinance.
- 25. And *you shall offer* one male of the goats for a sin offering, besides the continual burnt offering, its grain offering and its drink offering.
- ¶26. "And on the fifth day, *you shall offer* nine bullocks, two rams, fourteen lambs a year-old, unblemished,
- 27. and their grain offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, by their number according to the ordinance.
- 28. And *you shall offer* one male goat for a sin offering, besides the continual burnt offering and its grain offering and its drink offering.
- ¶29. "And on the sixth day, *you shall offer* eight bullocks, two rams, fourteen lambs a year-old, unblemished,
- 30. and their grain offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, by their number according to the ordinance.
- 31. And *you shall offer* one male goat for a sin offering, besides the continual burnt offering, its grain offering and its drink offerings.
- ¶32. "And on the seventh day, *you shall offer* seven bullocks, two rams, fourteen lambs a year-old, unblemished,
- 33. and their grain offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, by their number according to their ordinance.
- 34. And *you shall offer* one male goat for a sin offering, besides the continual burnt offering, its grain offering and its drink offering.
- $\P 35$ . "On the eighth day, there shall be a solemn Assembly for you. You shall do no servile work.

36. And you shall offer as a burnt offering, a placating aroma made by fire to Jehovah, one bullock, one ram, seven lambs a year-old, unblemished,

- 37. their grain offering and their drink offerings for the bullock, for the ram, and for the lambs, by their number according to the ordinance.
- 38. And *you shall offer* one male goat for a sin offering, besides the continual burnt offering and its grain offering and its drink offering.
- ¶39. "These things shall you offer to Jehovah at your appointed times (besides your offerings for a vow and your freewill offerings) for your burnt offerings, and for your grain offerings, and for your drink offerings, and for your peace offerings."
- 40. And Moses spoke to the children of Israel according to all that Jehovah commanded Moses.

- ¶1. And Moses spoke to the heads of the tribes of the children of Israel, saying, "This is the thing that Jehovah has commanded:
- 2. If a man vow a vow to Jehovah, or he swears an oath to bind his soul with an obligation, he shall not break his word; according to all that proceeded from his mouth shall he do.
- 3. But if a woman in her father's house in her youth vows a vow to Jehovah and binds *herself* with an obligation,
- 4. if her father hears her vow and her obligation with which she bound her soul, and her father holds his peace with her, then all her vows shall stand, and every obligation with which she has bound her soul shall stand.
- 5. But if her father forbids her on the day he hears, then none of her vows or her obligations with which she bound her soul shall stand, and Jehovah will forgive her because her father forbade her.
- 6. But if it be that she *marry* a man with her vows on her, or her lips *make* a rash utterance with which she binds her soul,
- 7. and her husband hears and holds his peace with her on the day he hears, then her vows shall stand, and her obligations with which she bound her soul shall stand.
- 8. But if her husband forbids her on the day he hears, then he has voided her vow that was on her, or the rash utterance of her lips with which she bound her soul, and Jehovah will forgive her.
- 9. But a vow of a widow or a divorced woman, anything with which she binds her soul, shall stand against her.
- 10. And if she vowed *while* in the house of her husband, or bound her soul with an obligation by an oath,
- 11. and her husband heard and held his peace with her, not forbidding her, then all her vows shall stand, and every obligation with which she bound her soul shall stand.

12. But if her husband made them utterly void on the day he heard, nothing that proceeded from her lips concerning her vows or concerning the obligation of her soul shall stand; her husband made them void and Jehovah will forgive her.

- 13. Every vow and every binding oath that afflicts the soul, her husband may establish it, or her husband may void it.
- 14. But if her husband altogether hold his peace with her from day to day, then he has established all her vows or all her obligations which are on her; he has established them because he held his peace with her on the day he heard.
- 15. But if he make them utterly void after *the day* he hears, then he shall bear her iniquity."
- 16. These are the statutes which Jehovah commanded Moses concerning a man and his wife, and concerning a father and his daughter in her youth in her father's house.

- ¶1. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 2. "Take vengeance for the children of Israel on the Midianites; afterward, you shall be gathered to your people."
- 3. Then Moses spoke to the people, saying, "Arm men from among *y*ou for the war, and they shall go against Midian to execute the vengeance of Jehovah on Midian.
- 4. A thousand from each tribe of all the tribes of Israel shall you send to the war."
- 5. And from the thousands of Israel, a thousand were chosen from each tribe, twelve thousand armed for war.
- 6. And Moses sent them, a thousand from each tribe, to the war, them and Phinehas ben-Eleazar the priest to the war, with instruments of the sanctuary, even trumpets for the alarm, in his hand.
- 7. And they waged war against Midian just as Jehovah had commanded Moses, and they killed every male.
- 8. And they killed the kings of Midian along with their slain: Evi, and Rekem, and Zur, and Hur, and Reba; five kings of Midian. They also killed Balaam ben-Beor with the sword.
- 9. And the children of Israel took the women of Midian captive, and their children, and they took as spoil all their beasts, and all their cattle, and all their goods.
- 10. And all their cities with their dwellings and all their camps, they burned with fire.
- 11. But they took all the spoil and all the plunder, both man and beast.
- 12. And they brought the captives, and the plunder, and the spoil to Moses, and to Eleazar the priest, and to the congregation of the children of Israel, to the camp in the plains of Moab, which is by Jordan at Jericho.
- 13. And Moses and Eleazar the priest went out, and all the princes of the congregation, to meet them outside the camp.
- 14. And Moses was angry with the officers of the army, the captains of thousands and the captains of hundreds who were coming in from the service of the war.

- 15. And Moses said to them, "You kept every female alive?
- 16. Behold, these women caused the sons of Israel, through Balaam's counsel, to commit treachery against Jehovah in the matter of Peor, and the plague came on the congregation of Jehovah!
- 17. Immediately, then, kill every male among the children, and kill every woman who has known man by lying with a male!
- 18. But all the young women who have not known lying with a male, keep alive for yourselves.
- 19. And you shall encamp outside of the camp seven days. Whoever killed a person or whoever touched a slain person, you shall purify yourselves on the third day and on the seventh day, *both you* and *your* captives.
- 20. And you shall purify every garment, and every vessel of skin, and everything made from goats, and every vessel of wood."
- 21. And Eleazar the priest said to the men of the army who went to the battle, "This is the statute of the law which Jehovah commanded Moses.
- 22. Surely, the gold, and the silver, the bronze, the iron, the tin, and the lead—
- everything that can go into the fire—*y*ou shall cause to pass through the fire, and it shall be clean. Nevertheless, it must be purified with the water of separation. And everything that cannot go into the fire, *y*ou shall cause to pass through the water.
- 24. And you shall wash your clothes on the seventh day, and you shall be clean, and afterward, you may come into the camp."
- ¶25. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 26. "You and Eleazar the priest, and the chief fathers of the congregation, take the sum of the plunder taken captive, both man and beast,
- 27. and divide the plunder between those who took part in the battle, who went out to the war, and all the congregation.
- 28. And take out a tribute for Jehovah from the fighting men who went out to the war; one soul in five hundred, of the people, and of the cattle, and of the donkeys, and of the sheep.
- 29. You shall take it from their half, and you shall give it to Eleazar the priest as an exsect offering to Jehovah.
- 30. And from the children of Israel's half, take one drawn from every fifty, of the people, of the cattle, of the donkeys, and of the sheep—of every beast—and you shall give them to the Levites who keep the charge of the tabernacle of Jehovah."
- 31. And Moses and Eleazar the priest did just as Jehovah commanded Moses.
- 32. And the plunder that remained of the booty that the men of war had taken was: of sheep, six hundred and seventy-five thousand;
- 33. and of cattle, seventy-two thousand;
- 34. and of donkeys, sixty-one thousand;

35. and of persons, of the women who had not known lying with a male, every soul was thirty-two thousand.

- 36. And the number of the half portion for those who went out in the army: of the sheep, three hundred and thirty-seven thousand five hundred
- 37. (and the tribute to Jehovah from the sheep was six hundred and seventy-five);
- 38. and of the cattle, thirty-six thousand (and their tribute to Jehovah was seventy-two);
- 39. and of the donkeys, thirty thousand five hundred (and their tribute to Jehovah was sixty-one);
- 40. and of the persons, sixteen thousand (and their tribute to Jehovah was thirty-two persons).
- 41. And Moses gave the tribute, an excised offering to Jehovah, to Eleazar the priest just as Jehovah had commanded Moses.
- 42. And the children of Israel's half which Moses took from the men who went to war,
- 43. even the congregation's half, was: of sheep, three hundred and thirty-seven thousand five hundred;
- 44. and of cattle, thirty-six thousand;
- 45. and of donkeys, thirty thousand five hundred;
- 46. and of persons, sixteen thousand.
- 47. And from the children of Israel's half, Moses took one portion drawn from fifty of the people and of the beasts, and he gave them to the Levites who keep the charge of the tabernacle of Jehovah, just as Jehovah had commanded Moses.
- 48. And those who were appointed over the thousands of the army, the captains of thousands and the captains of hundreds, approached Moses,
- 49. and they said to Moses, "Your servants took the sum of the men of war who were under us, and not one of us is missing.
- 50. We, then, have brought an offering to Jehovah, each man who found an article of gold: armlet or bracelet, ring, earring, or ornament, to make atonement for our lives before Jehovah."
- 51. And Moses and Eleazar the priest took the gold from them, all the crafted articles.
- 52. And all the gold of the excise offering from the captains of thousands and from the captains of hundreds which they presented to Jehovah was sixteen thousand seven hundred and fifty shekels.
- 53. (Each of the men of the army had taken plunder for himself.)
- 54. And Moses and Eleazar the priest took the gold from the captains of thousands and of hundreds, and they brought it into the tent of meeting as a memorial for the children of Israel before Jehovah.

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¶1. Now the children of Reuben and the children of Gad had many cattle, very many, and they saw the region of Jazer and the region of Gilead, and behold, the place was a place for cattle.

2. And the sons of Gad and the sons of Reuben came, and they spoke to Moses and to Eleazar the priest, and to the princes of the congregation, saying,

- 3. "Ataroth, and Dibon, and Jazer, and Nimrah, and Heshbon, and Elealeh, and Shebam, and Nebo, and Beon,
- 4. the country which Jehovah struck down before the congregation of Israel, it is a land for cattle and your servants have cattle."
- 5. And they said, "If we have found favor in your eyes, let this land be given to your servants for a possession. Do not have us to cross over the Jordan."
- 6. But Moses said to the sons of Gad and to the sons of Reuben, "Shall your brothers go to war and you sit here?
- 7. And why would *y*ou discourage the heart of the children of Israel from going over to the land which Jehovah has given them?
- 8. That's what your fathers did when I sent them from Kadesh-barnea to observe the land.
- 9. They went up to the valley of Eshcol and observed the land, but they discouraged the heart of the children of Israel so that they would not go into the land which Jehovah had given them.
- 10. And the anger of Jehovah was kindled on that day, and He swore, saying,
- 11. 'I will damn myself if the men who came up from Egypt, twenty years old and above, see the land which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, because they have not wholly followed me,
- 12. except Caleb ben-Jephunneh, the Kenizite, and Joshua ben-Nun, for they have wholly followed Jehovah.'
- 13. And the anger of Jehovah was kindled against Israel, and He made them wander in the wilderness forty years until the entire generation that had done evil in the sight of Jehovah was gone.
- 14. And behold, you have risen up in your fathers' place, a brood of sinful men, to be swept away again by the burning anger of Jehovah toward Israel.
- 15. If you turn away from following Him, then He will yet again cause them to wander in the wilderness, and you will have destroyed all this people."
- 16. Then they came near to him, and they said, "We will build sheepfolds here for our cattle, and cities for our little ones,
- 17. then we will arm ourselves, advancing before the children of Israel until we have brought them in to their place, but our little ones shall dwell in the fortified cities because of the inhabitants of the land.
- 18. We will not return to our houses until every man of the children of Israel possesses his inheritance.
- 19. But we will not inherit with them on the other side of the Jordan and beyond because our inheritance has come to us on this side of the Jordan, eastward."

20. And Moses said to them, "If you do this thing, if you will arm yourselves before Jehovah for the war,

- 21. and every one of *y*our armed men goes over the Jordan before Jehovah until He has dispossessed His enemies before Him,
- 22. and the land be subdued before Jehovah, then, afterward, you may return, and you will be guiltless before Jehovah and before Israel, and this land shall be your possession before Jehovah.
- 23. But, if you do not do so, behold, you will have sinned against Jehovah, and know that your sin will find you out.
- 24. Build for *y*ourselves cities for *y*our little ones, and folds for *y*our sheep, and do what has proceeded from *y*our mouth."
- 25. And the sons of Gad and the sons of Reuben spoke to Moses, saying, "Your servants will do just as my lord has commanded.
- 26. Our little ones, our wives, our cattle, and all our beasts shall be there in the cities of Gilead.
- 27. But your servants will pass over, every man armed for war, before Jehovah to the battle just as my lord has spoken."
- 28. So, concerning them, Moses commanded Eleazar the priest, and Joshua ben-Nun, and the chief fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel.
- 29. And Moses said to them, "If the sons of Gad and the sons of Reuben cross over the Jordan with *y*ou, every man armed for the war before Jehovah, and the land be subdued before *y*ou, then *y*ou shall give them the land of Gilead as a possession.
- 30. But, if they do not cross over armed with *y*ou, then they shall have possessions among *y*ou in the land of Canaan."
- 31. And the sons of Gad and the sons of Reuben answered, saying, "As Jehovah has spoken to your servants, so we will do.
- 32. We will cross over armed before Jehovah to the land of Canaan, and the possession for our inheritance shall be ours on this side of the Jordan."
- 33. And Moses gave to them, to the children of Gad, and to the children of Reuben, and to half of the tribe of Manasseh ben-Joseph, the kingdom of Sihon, king of the Amorites, and the kingdom of Og, king of Bashan, the land with its cities, with the territories belonging to the cities of the land round about.
- 34. And the children of Gad built: Dibon, and Ataroth, and Aroer,
- 35. and Atroth-Shophan, and Jazer, and Jogbehah,
- 36. and Beth-nimrah, and Beth-haran, fortified cities, and folds for sheep.
- 37. And the children of Reuben built: Heshbon, and Elealeh, and Kiriathaim,
- and Nebo, and Baal-meon (their names were changed), and Sibmah. And they renamed the cities that they rebuilt.
- 39. And the children of Machir ben-Manasseh went to Gilead and took it, and they dispossessed the Amorites who were in it.

- 40. And Moses gave Gilead to Machir ben-Manasseh, and he dwelt in it.
- 41. And Jair ben-Manasseh went and took their small towns, and he named them Havvoth-Jair.
- 42. And Nobah went and took Kenath and its villages, and he called it Nobah, after his own name.

- ¶1. These are the journeys of the children of Israel who came out from the land of Egypt according to their hosts, by the hand of Moses and Aaron.
- 2. And Moses recorded their departures for their journeys, according to the word of Jehovah. And these are their journeys, departure by departure.
- 3. And they journeyed from Rameses in the first month, on the fifteenth day of the first month; on the morrow after the Passover, the children of Israel went out with a high hand in the sight of all the Egyptians.
- 4. And the Egyptians buried all the firstborn whom Jehovah had struck among them. Moreover, Jehovah executed judgments against their gods.
- 5. And the children of Israel journeyed from Rameses and camped at Succoth.
- 6. And they journeyed from Succoth and camped at Etham, which is at the edge of the wilderness.
- 7. And they journeyed from Etham and turned back to Pi-hahiroth, which is before Baalzephon, and they camped before Migdol.
- 8. And they journeyed from before Hahiroth and passed through the midst of the sea to the wilderness, and they went three days 'journey in the wilderness of Etham and camped at Marah.
- 9. And they journeyed from Marah and came to Elim; and at Elim were twelve springs of water and seventy palm trees. And they camped there.
- 10. And they journeyed from Elim and camped by the Red Sea.
- 11. And they journeyed from the Red Sea and camped in the wilderness of Sin.
- 12. And they journeyed from the wilderness of Sin and camped in Dophkah.
- 13. And they journeyed from Dophkah and camped at Alush.
- 14. And they journeyed from Alush and camped at Rephidim, and there was no water there for the people to drink.
- 15. And they journeyed from Rephidim and camped in the wilderness of Sinai.
- 16. And they journeyed from the wilderness of Sinai and camped at Kibroth-hattaavah.
- 17. And they journeyed from Kibroth-hattaavah and camped at Hazeroth.
- 18. And they journeyed from Hazeroth and camped at Rithmah.
- 19. And they journeyed from Rithmah and camped at Rimmon-parez.
- 20. And they journeyed from Rimmon-parez and camped at Libnah.
- 21. And they journeyed from Libnah and camped at Rissah.
- 22. And they journeyed from Rissah and camped at Kehelathah.
- 23. And they journeyed from Kehelathah and camped at Mount Shapher.

- 24. And they journeyed from Mount Shapher and camped at Haradah.
- 25. And they journeyed from Haradah and camped at Makheloth.
- 26. And they journeyed from Makheloth and camped at Tahath.
- 27. And they journeyed from Tahath and camped at Tarah.
- 28. And they journeyed from Tarah and camped at Mithkah.
- 29. And they journeyed from Mithkah and camped at Hashmonah.
- 30. And they journeyed from Hashmonah and camped at Moseroth.
- 31. And they journeyed from Moseroth and camped at Bene-jaakan.
- 32. And they journeyed from Bene-jaakan and camped at Hor-hagidgad.
- 33. And they journeyed from Hor-hagidgad and camped at Jotbathah.
- 34. And they journeyed from Jotbathah and camped at Abronah.
- 35. And they journeyed from Abronah and camped at Ezion-gaber.
- 36. And they journeyed from Ezion-gaber and camped in the wilderness of Zin, which is Kadesh.
- 37. And they journeyed from Kadesh and camped at Mount Hor, at the edge of the land of Edom.
- ¶38. And Aaron the priest went up to Mount Hor, according to the word of Jehovah, and he died there in the fortieth year from the exodus of the children of Israel from the land of Egypt, in the fifth month, on the first of the month.
- 39. And Aaron was one hundred and twenty-three years old when he died on Mount Hor.
- 40. And the Canaanite, King Arad, who dwelt in the Negev, in the land of Canaan, heard that the children of Israel were coming.
- $\P41$ . And they journeyed from Mount Hor and camped at Zalmonah.
- 42. And they journeyed from Zalmonah and camped at Punon.
- 43. And they journeyed from Punon and camped at Oboth.
- 44. And they journeyed from Oboth and camped at Ijea-haabarim, in the territory of Moab.
- 45. And they journeyed from Ijim and camped at Dibon-Gad.
- 46. And they journeyed from Dibon-Gad and camped at Almon-diblathaimah.
- 47. And they journeyed from Almon-diblathaimah and camped in the mountains of Abarim, before Nebo.
- 48. And they journeyed from the mountains of Abarim and camped in the plains of Moab, by Jordan at Jericho.
- 49. And they camped by the Jordan from Beth-jeshimoth to Abel-Shittim, in the plains of Moab.
- ¶50. And Jehovah spoke to Moses in the plains of Moab, by Jordan at Jericho, saying,
- 51. "Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them, 'When you have crossed over the Jordan to the land of Canaan,
- 52. then you shall drive out all the inhabitants of the land from before you and destroy all their idols. And all their molten images shall you destroy, and you shall utterly destroy all their high places.

53. And you shall take possession of the land and dwell in it, for I have given the land to you to possess it.

- 54. And you shall divide the land among yourselves for a possession by lot according to your families; for the larger, you shall make his inheritance larger, and for the smaller, you shall make his inheritance smaller. For whichever *tribe the lot* goes out, that shall be its portion; according to the tribes of your fathers shall you take your possession.
- 55. But if you do not drive out the inhabitants of the land from before you, then it shall come to pass that those of them you allow to remain will be pricks in your eyes and thorns in your sides, and they will vex you in the land in which you are dwelling.
- 56. And it shall come to pass that just as I thought to do to them, I will do to you."

- ¶1. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 2. "Command the children of Israel, and say to them, 'You will surely come into the land of Canaan. This is the land which will fall to you as an inheritance, the land of Canaan according to its borders:
- 3. And your south border shall be from the Wilderness of Zin as far as the border of Edom, and your southern border shall be at the end of the Salt Sea on the east.
- 4. And your border shall go round from the south to the Ascent of Akrabbim, and pass through Zin, and its goings out from the south are to Kadesh-barnea, and it goes out to Hazar-addar and passes on to Azmon.
- 5. And the border shall go round from Azmon to the Brook of Egypt, and its goings out shall be toward the sea.
- 6. For the western border, you shall have the Great Sea. And this shall be your border, the western border.
- 7. And this shall be *y*our northern border: from the Great Sea, mark out for *y*ourselves Mount Hor.
- 8. From Mount Hor, mark out to the Entrance of Hamath, and the goings out of the border shall be toward Zedad.
- 9. And the border shall go out toward Ziphron, and its goings out shall be at Hazar-enan; this shall be your northern border.
- 10. And you shall mark out for yourselves for the eastern border from Hazar-enan to Shepham.
- 11. And the border shall go down from Shepham to Riblah, east of Ain, and the border shall descend and run along the eastern side of the Sea of Chinnereth.
- 12. And the border shall go down along the Jordan, and its goings out shall be the Salt Sea. This shall be *y*our land according to its borders round about."
- ¶13. And Moses commanded the children of Israel, saying, "This is the land which you shall inherit by lot that Jehovah commanded to be given to the nine tribes and the half tribe.

14. For they have taken, namely, the tribe of the children of the Reubenites according to the house of their fathers, and the tribe of the children of the Gadites according to the house of their fathers, and the half tribe of Manasseh, they have taken their inheritance.

- 15. The two tribes and the half tribe have taken their inheritance on this side of Jordan, eastward from Jericho toward the sunrising."
- ¶16. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 17. "These are the names of the men who shall divide the land as an inheritance for *y*ou: Eleazar the priest and Joshua ben-Nun.
- 18. You shall also take one prince, a prince from each tribe, to divide the land as an inheritance.
- 19. And these are the names of the men: of the tribe of Judah, Caleb ben-Jephunneh;
- 20. and of the tribe of the children of Simeon, Samuel ben-Ammihud;
- 21. of the tribe of Benjamin, Elidad ben-Chislon;
- 22. and of the tribe of the children of Dan, prince Bukki ben-Jogli;
- 23. from the children of Joseph, of the tribe of the children of Manasseh, prince Hanniel ben-Ephod;
- 24. and of the tribe of the children of Ephraim, prince Kemuel ben-Shiphtan;
- 25. and of the tribe of the children of Zebulun, prince Elizaphan ben-Parnach;
- 26. and of the tribe of the children of Issachar, prince Paltiel ben-Azzan;
- 27. and of the tribe of the children of Asher, prince Ahihud ben-Shelomi;
- 28. and of the tribe of the children of Naphtali, prince Pedahel ben-Ammihud."
- 29. These were those that Jehovah commanded to divide the inheritance of the children of Israel in the land of Canaan.

- ¶1. And Jehovah spoke to Moses in the plains of Moab, by Jordan, at Jericho, saying,
- 2. "Command the children of Israel that they give cities from the inheritance of their possession to the Levites to dwell in. And you shall give the open field around the cities to the Levites.
- 3. And the cities shall be for them to dwell in, and their open fields shall be for their cattle, and for their goods, and for all their beasts.
- 4. And the open fields of the cities that you shall give to the Levites shall be from the wall of the city and outward a thousand cubits round about.
- 5. And you shall measure from outside the city on the east side two thousand cubits, and on the south side two thousand cubits, and on the west side two thousand cubits, and on the north side two thousand cubits; and the city shall be in the middle. This shall be theirs, as are the open fields of the cities.

6. And of the cities that you shall give to the Levites, six shall be cities of refuge which you shall designate for the manslayer that he may flee there. And besides them, you shall also give forty-two cities.

- 7. All the cities which *y*ou shall give to the Levites shall be forty-eight cities, them and their open fields.
- 8. And the cities which you shall give from the possession of the children of Israel; from those with many, you shall take many, and from those with few, you shall take few. Each *tribe* according to the size of its inheritance which they have inherited shall give of its cities to the Levites."
- ¶9. And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
- 10. "Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them, 'When you have crossed over the Jordan to the land of Canaan,
- 11. then you shall choose your cities. They shall be cities of refuge for you, that a manslayer who strikes down a man unintentionally may flee there.
- 12. And they shall be *y*our cities for refuge from the avenger that the manslayer does not die until he stands before the congregation for judgment.
- 13. And the cities that you give shall be six cities of refuge for you.
- 14. Three cities shall *y*ou give this side of the Jordan, and three cities shall *y*ou give in the land of Canaan; they shall be cities of refuge.
- 15. These six cities shall be for the children of Israel, and for the stranger, and for the sojourner in their midst; anyone who strikes down a man unintentionally may flee there for refuge.
- 16. But if he strike him with an iron object, and he dies, he is a murderer. The murderer shall surely be put to death.
- 17. And if he strikes him down with a stone in *his* hand by which he could die, and he does die, he is a murderer. The murderer shall surely be put to death.
- 18. Or if he strike him with a wooden object in *his* hand that could cause death, and he dies, he is a murderer. The murderer shall surely be put to death.
- 19. The avenger of blood himself shall kill the murderer; when he finds him, he shall kill him.
- 20. Or if he thrusts at him in hatred or hurls *something* at him, lying in wait, and he dies,
- 21. or he strikes him down with his hand in enmity, and he dies, then he who struck him shall surely be put to death. He is a murderer. The avenger of blood shall kill the murderer when he finds him.
- 22. But if he thrusts at him suddenly without hatred, or throws any object at him without lying in wait,
- 23. or a stone by which he dies, without seeing *him*, or causes *something* to fall on him so that he dies, and he was not his enemy, nor did he seek his harm,
- 24. then the congregation shall judge between the manslayer and the avenger of blood according to these judgments.

25. And the congregation shall deliver the manslayer from the hand of the avenger of blood, and the congregation shall return him to the city of his refuge where he fled, and he shall live in it until the death of the high priest who anointed him with the holy oil.

- 26. But if the manslayer at any time goes outside the boundary of the city of his refuge where he fled,
- 27. and the avenger of blood finds him outside of the boundary of the city of his refuge, and the avenger of blood slays the manslayer, blood shall not be imputed to him,
- 28. because he must dwell in the city of his refuge until the death of the high priest. And after the death of the high priest, the manslayer may return to the land of his possession.
- 29. And these things shall be for *y*ou a statute for judgment throughout *y*our generations in all *y*our dwelling places.
- 30. Anyone who, according to the word of witnesses, strikes down a person, he shall put the murderer to death. But one witness shall not testify against a man to put *him* to death.
- 31. Moreover, you shall not take a ransom for the life of a murderer who is guilty unto death, but he shall surely be put to death.
- 32. And you shall take no ransom for him who flees to a city for his refuge, to let him return to dwell in the land until the death of the priest.
- 33. And so, you will not pollute the land that you are in, for the blood pollutes the land. And as for the land, no atonement can be made for the blood that is shed in it except by the blood of him who shed it.
- 34. Do not defile the land in which *y*ou dwell, in the midst of which I dwell, for I, Jehovah, dwell in the midst of the children of Israel.

- ¶1. And the chiefs of the fathers of the family of the children of Gilead ben-Machir, son of Manasseh, of the families of the children of Joseph, came near, and they spoke before Moses, and before the princes, the chiefs of the fathers of the children of Israel.
- 2. And they said, "Jehovah commanded my lord to give the land by lot as an inheritance to the children of Israel, and my lord was commanded by Jehovah to give the inheritance of Zelophehad, our brother, to his daughters.
- 3. But they may become wives to any of the sons of the tribes of the children of Israel. Then their inheritance might be removed from the inheritance of our fathers and be added to the inheritance of the tribe of which they become a part, and our inheritance by lot shall be taken away.
- 4. And when the Jubilee for the children of Israel comes, then their inheritance shall be added to the inheritance of the tribe of which they became a part, and their inheritance shall be taken away from the inheritance of the tribe of our fathers."

5. And Moses commanded the children of Israel according to the word of Jehovah, saying, "The tribe of the children of Joseph have spoken rightly.

- 6. This is the thing that Jehovah has commanded concerning the daughters of Zelophehad, saying, 'Let them become wives to whoever is good in their eyes; only, they shall become wives to the family of the tribe of their father,
- 7. that the inheritance of the children of Israel be not passed around from tribe to tribe, but each of the children of Israel shall cling to the inheritance of the tribe of his fathers.
- 8. So, every daughter who possesses an inheritance in the tribes of the children of Israel shall be wife to one from the family of the tribe of her father, that the children of Israel may each possess the inheritance of his fathers,
- 9. and the inheritance shall not pass from one tribe to another tribe, but the tribes of the children of Israel shall each cling to its inheritance."
- 10. Just as Jehovah commanded Moses, so did the daughters of Zelophehad.
- 11. And Mahlah, Tirzah, and Hoglah, and Milcah, and Noah, daughters of Zelophehad, became wives to sons of their father's brothers.
- 12. They became wives in the families of the sons of Manasseh ben-Joseph, and their inheritance remained in the tribe of the family of their father.
- ¶13. These are the commandments, and the judgments, which Jehovah commanded by the hand of Moses to the children of Israel in the plains of Moab, by Jordan at Jericho.