

Greetings, today our manna is from Numbers 1; Psalm 35; Ecc. 11; Titus 3.

April 24 - Melchizedek Devotional Perspective

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Numbers 1

The Book of Numbers relates to the two counts or ‘numberings’ of the people that take place in Chapter 1/2 and Chapter 26/27. The Hebrew name of this book, Bemidbar, refers to the days that the people journeyed ‘in the wilderness.’ Day by day, we will see much take place in the wilderness as several events unfold.

A Census of Israel's Warriors

Num 1:1 And יהוה spoke to Mosheh in the Wilderness of Sinai, in the Tent of Appointment, on the first day to the second new *moon*, in the second year after they had come out of the land of Mitsrayim, saying,

Num 1:2 “Take a census of all the congregation of the children of Yisra’ël, by their clans, by their fathers’ houses, according to the number of names, every male, head by head,

Num 1:3 from twenty years old and above, everyone going out to the army in Yisra’ël. Number them by their divisions, you and Aharon.

They were to take a census of all males, fighting age 20 years and older, from every clan with a head representing each division of their father’s house. The second column below compares those clans counted to those listed in Revelation Chapter 7.

Re’uḇḇen: Elitsur, son of Sheḡḡy’ur – 46,500

Shim’on: Shelumi’ël, son of Tsurishaddai – 59,300

Yehuḏah: Naḡshon, son of Amminadaḇ - 74,600

Yissasḡar: Nethan’ël, son of Tsu’ar – 54,400

Zebulun: Eliyaḇ, son of Hĕlon - 57,400

Sons of Joseph:

Ephrayim: Elishama, son of Ammihuḏ - 40,500

Menashsheh: Gamli’ël, son of Pedahsur – 32,200

Binyamin: Aḇidan, son of Giḡ’oni – 35,400

Dan: Aḡi’ezer, son of Ammishaddai – 62,700

Ashĕr: Paḡi’i’ël, son of Okran – 41,500

Gaḏ: Elyasaph, son of De’u’ël – 45,650

Re’uḇḇen twelve thousand were sealed

Shim’on twelve thousand were sealed

Yehuḏah twelve thousand were sealed

Yissasḡar twelve thousand were sealed

Zebulun twelve thousand were sealed

Yosĕph twelve thousand were sealed

Menashsheh twelve thousand were sealed

Binyamin twelve thousand were sealed

Ashĕr twelve thousand were sealed

Gaḏ twelve thousand were sealed

Naphtali: Aḥira, son of Ĕnan – 53,400

Naphtali twelve thousand were sealed

Lěwi twelve thousand were sealed

TOTAL 603,550

Total 144,000

Rev 7:4 And I heard the number of those who were sealed, one hundred and forty-four thousand, sealed out of all the tribes of the children of Yisra'ěl:

Rev 7:5 of the tribe of Yehuḡah twelve thousand were sealed, of the tribe of Re'uḡḡen twelve thousand were sealed, of the tribe of Gaḡ twelve thousand were sealed,

Rev 7:6 of the tribe of Ashĕr twelve thousand were sealed, of the tribe of Naphtali twelve thousand were sealed, of the tribe of Menashsheh twelve thousand were sealed,

Rev 7:7 of the tribe of Shim'on twelve thousand were sealed, of the tribe of Lěwi twelve thousand were sealed, of the tribe of Yissasḡar twelve thousand were sealed,

Rev 7:8 of the tribe of Zebulun twelve thousand were sealed, of the tribe of Yosĕph twelve thousand were sealed, of the tribe of Binyamin twelve thousand were sealed.

Num 1:4 “And a man from every tribe should be with you, each one the head of his father's house.

Num 1:5 “And these are the names of the men who stand with you. From Re'uḡḡen: Elitsur, son of Sheḡġy'ur.

Num 1:6 “From Shim'on: Shelumi'ĕl, son of Tsurishaddai.

Num 1:7 “From Yehuḡah: Naḡshon, son of Amminadab. [Righteous lineage of Yahusha]

The Genealogy of David

Rth 4:18 And this is the genealogy of Perets: Perets brought forth Ḥetsron.

Rth 4:19 And Ḥetsron brought forth Ram, and Ram brought forth **Amminadab**.

Rth 4:20 And Amminadab brought forth **Naḡshon**, and Naḡshon brought forth Salmon.

Rth 4:21 And Salmon brought forth Bo'az, and Bo'az brought forth Oḡġd.

Rth 4:22 And Oḡġd brought forth Yishai, and Yishai brought forth **Dawid**.

Num 1:8 “From Yissasḡar: Nethan'ĕl, son of Tsu'ar.

Num 1:9 “From Zebulun: Eliyab, son of Ḥĕlon.

Num 1:10 “From the sons of Yosĕph: From Ephrayim: Elishama, son of Ammihuḡ. From Menashsheh: Gamli'ĕl, son of Peḡahtsur.

Num 1:11 “From Binyamin: Aḡidan, son of Giḡ'oni.

Num 1:12 “From Dan: Aḡi'ezer, son of Ammishaddai.

Num 1:13 “From Ashĕr: Paḡ'i'ĕl, son of Oḡran.

Num 1:14 “From Gaḡ: Elyasaph, son of De'u'ĕl.

Num 1:15 “From Naphtali: Aḡira, son of Ĕnan.”

Num 1:16 These are the ones called from the congregation, leaders of their fathers' tribes, heads of the thousands of Yisra'ĕl.

Num 1:17 And Mosheh and Aharon took these men who were called by name,

Num 1:18 and they assembled all the congregation together on the first day of the second new *moon*. And they declared their ancestry by clans, by their fathers' houses,

according to the number of names, from twenty years old and above, each one head by head.

Num 1:19 As יהוה commanded Mosheh, so he registered them in the Wilderness of Sinai.

Num 1:20 And the children of Re'ubēn, Yisra'ēl's first-born, their genealogies by their clans, by their fathers' house, according to the number of names, every male head by head, from twenty years old and above, everyone going out to the army,

Num 1:21 those who were registered of the tribe of Re'ubēn were forty-six thousand five hundred.

Num 1:22 From the children of Shim'on, their genealogies by their clans, by their fathers' house, of those who were registered, according to the number of names, every male head by head, from twenty years old and above, everyone going out to the army,

Num 1:23 those who were registered of the tribe of Shim'on were fifty-nine thousand three hundred.

Num 1:24 From the children of Gaḏ, their genealogies by their clans, by their fathers' house, according to the number of names, from twenty years old and above, everyone going out to the army,

Num 1:25 those who were registered of the tribe of Gaḏ were forty-five thousand six hundred and fifty.

Num 1:26 From the children of Yehuḏah, their genealogies by their clans, by their fathers' house, according to the number of names, from twenty years old and above, everyone going out to the army,

Num 1:27 those who were registered of the tribe of Yehuḏah were seventy-four thousand six hundred.

Num 1:28 From the children of Yissasḵar, their genealogies by their clans, by their fathers' house, according to the number of names, from twenty years old and above, everyone going out to the army,

Num 1:29 those who were registered of the tribe of Yissasḵar were fifty-four thousand four hundred.

Num 1:30 From the children of Zeḅulun, their genealogies by their clans, by their fathers' house, according to the number of names, from twenty years old and above, everyone going out to the army,

Num 1:31 those who were registered of the tribe of Zeḅulun were fifty-seven thousand four hundred.

Num 1:32 From the sons of Yosēph, the children of Ephrayim, their genealogies by their clans, by their fathers' house, according to the number of names, from twenty years old and above, everyone going out to the army,

Num 1:33 those who were registered of the tribe of Ephrayim were forty thousand five hundred.

Num 1:34 From the children of Menashsheh, their genealogies by their clans, by their fathers' house, according to the number of names, from twenty years old and above, everyone going out to the army,

Num 1:35 those who were registered of the tribe of Menashsheh were thirty-two

thousand two hundred.

Num 1:36 From the children of Binyamin, their genealogies by their clans, by their fathers' house, according to the number of names, from twenty years old and above, everyone going out to the army,

Num 1:37 those who were registered of the tribe of Binyamin were thirty-five thousand four hundred.

Num 1:38 From the children of Dan, their genealogies by their clans, by their fathers' house, according to the number of names, from twenty years old and above, everyone going out to the army,

Num 1:39 those who were registered of the tribe of Dan were sixty-two thousand seven hundred.

Num 1:40 From the children of Ashër, their genealogies by their clans, by their fathers' house, according to the number of names, from twenty years old and above, everyone going out to the army,

Num 1:41 those who were registered of the tribe of Ashër were forty-one thousand five hundred.

Num 1:42 From the children of Naphtali, their genealogies by their clans, by their fathers' house, according to the number of names, from twenty years old and above, everyone going out to the army,

Num 1:43 those who were registered of the tribe of Naphtali were fifty-three thousand four hundred.

Num 1:44 These were those registered, whom Mosheh and Aharon registered, with the leaders of Yisra'ël, twelve men, each one for his father's house.

Num 1:45 And all those that **were registered of the children of Yisra'ël, by their fathers' houses, from twenty years old and above, everyone going out to the army in Yisra'ël.**

Num 1:46 all those that were registered were **six hundred and three thousand five hundred and fifty.**

In Numbers Chapter 1, the numbering of the fighting capable men is completed by Moses and Aaron. The Levites were exempt because they were appointed:

1. Over the Dwelling Place of the Witness
 - a. Over all its furnishings, and over all that belongs to it
 - b. They attend to it, and **camp around the Dwelling Place**
2. When the Dwelling Place is to go forward, the Lěwites take it down.
3. When the Dwelling Place is to be set up, the Lěwites set it up. And the stranger who comes near is put to death.
4. The Lěwites shall guard the duty of the Dwelling Place of the Witness.

Levites Exempted

Num 1:47 But the Lěwites were not registered among them by their fathers' tribe,

Num 1:48 because יהוה had spoken to Mosheh, saying,

Num 1:49 “Only the tribe of Lěwi you do not register, nor take a census of them among the children of Yisra’ěl.

Num 1:50 “Instead, appoint the Lěwites over the Dwelling Place of the Witness, over all its furnishings, and over all that belongs to it. They bear the Dwelling Place and all its furnishings, and they attend to it, and camp around the Dwelling Place.

Num 1:51 “And when the Dwelling Place is to go forward, the Lěwites take it down. And when the Dwelling Place is to be set up, the Lěwites set it up. And the stranger who comes near is put to death.

Num 1:52 “**And the children of Yisra’ěl shall pitch their tents, everyone by his own camp, everyone by his own banner, according to their divisions,**

Num 1:53 **but let the Lěwites camp around the Dwelling Place of the Witness, so that there be no wrath on the congregation of the children of Yisra’ěl. And the Lěwites shall guard the duty of the Dwelling Place of the Witness.”**

Num 1:54 And the children of Yisra’ěl did according to all that יהוה commanded Mosheh, so they did.

Tomorrow we will see possible diagrams of the organized encampment. There were at least 2 million people including women and children, therefore; setting up camp; breaking down camp; order of departure; moving of the Dwelling Place of the Witness; all had to fall into place to prevent chaos and maximize efficiency.

Psalm 35

David apparently was tired of those coming against him and acting wrongly. Though David had behaved ‘rightly’ toward them; they returned evil toward him. David was not short on words to express his desire for YHWH to act against his enemies.

This reminds me of the saying: ‘No good deed goes unpunished; but do them anyway.’
In the end, all will be given right ruling by YHWH and justly judged; and vengeance will be His.

It is not uncommon for the righteous to have to flee into the wilderness. In such a wilderness environment we are disadvantaged without our familiar access to earthly provisions; instead, one must totally rely on YHWH; He is our Provider. YHWH is strongest in our lives when we are at our weakest point. He proves himself faithful and by doing so, he draws us much closer to Himself. He fights on our behalf and we find our strength has always come from Him!

Great Is YHWH

Psa 35:1 O יהוה, strive with those who strive with me; Fight against those who fight against me.

Psa 35:2 Take hold of shield and armor, And rise for my help.

Psa 35:3 And draw out spear and lance, To meet those who pursue me. Say to my life, “I am your deliverance.”

Psa 35:4 Let those be ashamed and blush Who seek my life; Let those be turned back and abashed Who plot evil to me.

Psa 35:5 Let them be as chaff before the wind, With a messenger of יהוה driving on.

Psa 35:6 Let their way be dark and slippery, With a messenger of יהוה pursuing them.

Psa 35:7 For **without cause** they hid their net for me; **Without cause** they dug a pit for my life.

Psa 35:8 Let ruin come upon him unawares, And let his net that he hid catch himself; Let him fall in it, into ruin.

Psa 35:9 **But let my own being exult in יהוה; Let it rejoice in His deliverance.**

Psa 35:10 Let all my bones say, “יהוה, who is like You, Delivering the poor from one stronger than he, And the poor and the needy from him who robs him?”

Psa 35:11 Ruthless witnesses rise up; They ask me that which I knew not.

Psa 35:12 **They reward me evil for good, bereaving my life.**

Psa 35:13 But I, when they were sick, I put on sackcloth; I humbled my being with fastings; And my prayer would return to my own bosom.

Psa 35:14 I walked about as though he were my friend or brother; I bowed down mourning, as one mourning for a mother.

Psa 35:15 But they rejoiced at my stumbling And gathered together; The smiters gathered against me, And I did not know it; They tore in pieces without ceasing,

Psa 35:16 With unclean ones, mockers at feasts, Gnashing at me with their teeth.

Psa 35:17 יהוה, how long would You look on? Rescue my being from their destructions, My only *life* from the lions.

Psa 35:18 I give You thanks in the great assembly; I praise You among a mighty people.

Psa 35:19 Let not my lying enemies rejoice over me; Or those who hate me without cause wink their eyes.

Psa 35:20 For they do not speak peace, But they devise words of deceit Against the peaceable ones of the land.

Psa 35:21 And they open their mouth wide against me, They said, “Aha, aha! Our eyes have seen it.”

Psa 35:22 This You have seen, O יהוה; Do not be silent. O יהוה, do not be far from me.

Psa 35:23 Stir up Yourself and awake to my right-ruling – To my cause, my Elohim and my Master.

Psa 35:24 Rule me rightly, O יהוה my Elohim, According to Your righteousness; And let them not rejoice over me.

Psa 35:25 Let them not say in their hearts, “Aha, our desire!” Let them not say, “We have swallowed him up.”

Psa 35:26 Let those who are rejoicing at my evil Be ashamed and abashed altogether; Let those who are exalting themselves over me Be clad in shame and humiliation.

Psa 35:27 Let those who delight in my righteous cause Shout for joy and be glad, And let them always say, “Let יהוה be made great, Who is desiring the peace of His servant.”

Psa 35:28 And my tongue shall speak of Your righteousness, Your praise, All day long.

Ecclesiastes 11

Ecc 11:1 Send out your bread on the face of the waters, for after many days you shall find it.

Ecc 11:2 Give a portion to seven, and also to eight, for you do not know what evil might be on the earth.

Luk 6:31 “And as you wish men should do to you, you also do to them in the same way.”

Luk 6:32 “And if you love those loving you, what favour have you? For sinners, too, love those loving them.”

Luk 6:33 “And if you do good to those doing good to you, what favour have you? For even sinners do the same.”

Luk 6:34 “And if you lend to those from whom you expect to receive back, what favour have you? For even sinners lend to sinners to receive as much back.”

Luk 6:35 “Rather, love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting none in return. And your reward shall be great, and you shall be sons of the Most High. Because He is kind to the thankless and wicked ones.”

Ecc 11:3 If the clouds are filled with rain, they empty themselves upon the earth. And if a tree falls to the south or the north, in the place where the tree falls, there it is.

Ecc 11:4 He who watches the wind does not sow, and he who looks at the clouds does not reap.

Ecc 11:5 As you do not know what is the way of the wind, or how the bones grow in the womb of her who is with child, so you do not know the works of Elohim who makes all.

Ecc 11:6 Sow your seed in the morning, and until evening do not let your hand rest; **since you do not know which prosper, this or that, or whether both alike are good.**

Ecc 11:7 Sweet also is the light, and good for the eyes to see the sun;

Ecc 11:8 But if a man lives many years, let him rejoice in them all. But let him remember the days of darkness, for they are many. All that is coming is futility.

Ecc 11:9 Rejoice, O young man, in your youth, and let your heart gladden you in the

days of your youth. And walk in the ways of your heart, and in the sight of your eyes, but know that for all these Elohim brings you into right-ruling.

Ecc 11:10 Therefore remove vexation from your heart, and put away evil from your flesh, for youth and dawn of life are futility.

Titus 3

Paul encourages Titus, and all of us; to act wisely toward others. Let them see Yahusha in us, for we too were once lost and rebellious. We are reminded that we live in the world, but we are no longer ‘of the world.’ We are to pray for, and be subject to, rulers and authorities as long as it doesn’t go against being obedient to the Word of YHWH.

Be Ready for Every Good Work

Tit 3:1 Remind them to be subject to rulers and authorities, to obey, to be ready for every good work,

Tit 3:2 not to slander anyone, not to be quarrelsome, to be gentle, showing all meekness to all men.

Tit 3:3 For we ourselves were also once foolish, disobedient, led astray, serving various lusts and pleasures, living in evil and envy, being hated and hating one another.

1Ti 2:1 First of all, then, urge that petitions, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgiving be made for all men.

1Ti 2:2 for sovereigns and all those who are in authority, in order that we lead a calm and peaceable life in all reverence and seriousness.

1Ti 2:3 For this is good and acceptable before Elohim our Savior,

1Ti 2:4 who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

Tit 3:4 But when the kindness and the love of Elohim our Saviour toward man appeared,

Tit 3:5 He saved us, not by works of righteousness which we have done but according to His compassion, through the washing of rebirth, and renewal by the Set-apart Spirit,

Tit 3:6 which He poured out on us richly through יהושע Messiah our Saviour,

Tit 3:7 that having been declared right by His favor we should become heirs according to the expectation of everlasting life.

Tit 3:8 Trustworthy is the word, and in this regard I wish you to strongly affirm, that those who have believed in Elohim should keep their minds on maintaining good works. This is good and profitable to men.

Tit 3:9 But keep away from foolish questions, and genealogies, and strife and quarrels about the Torah, for they are unprofitable and useless.

Tit 3:10 Reject a divisive man after the first and second warning,

Tit 3:11 knowing that such a one has been perverted, and sins, being self-condemned.

Final Instructions and Greetings

Tit 3:12 When I shall send Artemas to you, or Tuchikos, do your best to come to me at Nikopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there.

Tit 3:13 Do your best to send Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their journey, so that they lack none at all.

Tit 3:14 And our *brothers* should also learn to maintain good works, to meet urgent needs, so that they shall not be without fruit.

Tit 3:15 All those with me greet you. Greet those who love us in the belief. Favour be with you all. Aměn.

Paul closes with final instructions to Titus. Instructions about travel and about others he makes mention of by name. Paul was an overseer of many and wanted the best outcome for each life; especially for their lives to bear good fruit.

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