

Numbers
Continued

Chapter 9

The Lord continues speaking to Moses in the Tabernacle. He instructs Moses to keep the _____. This was to be done on the fourteenth day of the first month (April). Everyone is to keep it and if they do not, their soul was to be cut off from among his people (verse 13). This was one ordinance for both the strange and he that was born in the land.

God then continues guiding the people with a cloud by day and a fire by night. When the cloud abode upon the Tabernacle, they rested in their tents. They would not journey whether it was two days, or a month or a year, as long as the cloud tarried upon the Tabernacle. When the cloud was taken up, they would journey. God did have a journey for them, but He also provided _____ for them.

There is a lesson to be learned concerning leadership. When God said go, they journeyed. When God said stop, they pitched their tent. If you want to be a leader, you have to be willing to follow (John 7:17).

1. Seek the will of God for your life.
2. Helping in the salvation of a person who says, "There are so many religions."
3. Seeking counsel from your Pastor or parents... "be ye ready to do it:" Here is the difference between advice and counsel. (Deuteronomy 17:8-12)

Chapter 10:1-10

They were to make two trumpets of silver and sound them of four specific occasions.

1. To summons: If both trumpets were blown, then the whole congregation was to gather at the Tabernacle. If only one trumpet sounded, then only the heads of the divisions were to gather. (Verses 3,4)
2. To sound the alarm in case of attack. (Verses 5,6)
3. When Israel was to go to war. (Verse 9)
4. In the days of sacrifice and feasts appointed to them. (Verses 10)

II. From Sinai to Kadesh-barnea (10:11-12:16)

Chapter 10:11-36

The cloud was taken up on the twentieth day of the second month (May), and the children of Israel left Sinai. The cloud then settled at _____. They set up camp according to the order given by God. Each standard was on the proper side (verses 11-28).

Moses then seeks the service of his brother-in-law, _____, to be a scout. Hobab refuses to go and vows to return to his own land of Midian.

The distance between Mt. Sinai and Daesh-barnea was about 150 miles. Moses later tells us of some twenty stops between these two places. The area around Sinai was filled with mountains, valleys and sandy ground. The journey was never too long or difficult for “the cloud of the Lord was upon them.”

Chapter 11

Some people refer to the book of Numbers as the book of “murmurings.” Since they have left Egypt, they have done nothing but complain. This chapter begins with them complaining again. God’s anger is kindled and He sends down _____ and it consumes them that were in the uttermost parts of the camp. The people cries to Moses and he prays unto the Lord and the fire was quenched. The main problem is found in verse 4 where we read of the “_____.” This was a group of Egyptians that the children of Israel allowed to come with them when they left Egypt. This time they were complaining about food. They were busy reminding Israel about the “old life,” when they would eat freely.

NOTE: Whenever you mix with the world and worldliness, it will normally have an adverse effect on you. They will stir up in you the sinfulness and desires of the old life. This will bring the discipline of God to your life.

In verses 10 and 15, we read of the complaint of Moses. He believes that God has put too much on him in leading the children of Israel and demands more help. In verse 15, he demands either deliverance or _____. God grants him his request regrettable by taking some of the power of the Spirit from Moses and gave it to the _____ elders (verse 25).

NOTE: What a wonderful thing it would have been in Moses would have responded to his trial the same way that Paul did in II Corinthians 12:7-9.

Because of the murmuring of the people, God tells Moses that He will send so much flesh to eat that it will come out of their nostrils. In verses 31-34, God sends _____ in unbelievable amounts. Two cubits high on the face of the earth, a day’s journey on each side. With this, God also sent a plague, and the people that had lust after this died and were buried there. The name of this place was called Kibroth-hataavah.

Chapter 12

Aaron and Miriam speak against Moses. The spoke against him because of the _____ wife that he married and because of his strong leadership. God rebukes them for their criticism and tells them that He and Moses have a special relationship. God called the three of them to the Tabernacle and comes down in a pillar of cloud and speaks to them there. When the cloud is removed, Miriam becomes _____. Aaron seeks forgiveness and asks Moses to seek the Lord for Miriam’s restoration. Moses goes to the Lord and He does restore here, only after a period of _____ days.

NOTE: Do not complain about the provision of God. God will always supply your need as you trust Him. But when you complain, He may just give you what you ask for.

NOTE: Do not rise up against the man of God (Psalms 105:15).