# February 23/Day 54

• Congratulations on completing Leviticus and welcome to Numbers.

### Numbers 1

Verses 1-16

- When we pick up in Numbers, how long has it been since Israel came out of Egypt?
- What did God ask Moses to do? Who was included?

Verses 17-19

 Where were the sons of Israel when they registered? Do you remember what had happened there? (Exodus 20)

Verses 20-21

- How many men of fighting age were descendants of Reuben?
- Do you remember anything specific about Reuben from before? In regard to his father's concubine? In regard to Joseph?

Verses 22-23

• How many men of fighting age were descendants of Simeon?

Verses 24-25

• How many men of fighting age were descendants of Gad?

Verses 26-27

- How many men of fighting age were descendants of Judah?
- Do you remember what happened before between Judah and his daughter-in-law, Tamar?

Verses 28-29

• How many men of fighting age were descendants of Issachar?

Verses 30-31

• How many men of fighting age were descendants of Zebulun?

Verses 32-33

- Joseph was Jacob's 11<sup>th</sup> son. He was given a double-portion through his sons, Ephraim and Manassah.
- How many men of fighting age were descendants of Ephraim?

Verses 34-35

• How many men of fighting age were descendants of Manasseh?

Verses 36-37

• How many men of fighting age were descendants of Benjamin?

Verses 38-39

• How many men of fighting age were descendants of Dan?

Verses 40-41

• How many men of fighting age were descendants of Asher?

Verses 42-43

• How many men of fighting age were descendants of Naphtali?

Verses 44-46

- How many men of fighting age were descendants of Jacob, also known as Israel?
- So, the children of Israel or the sons of Israel are descended from whom?

Verses 47-54

- So, think with me, Jacob had twelve sons, but Joseph received a double-portion through his two sons, Ephraim and Manasseh, so how are there still only twelve tribes of Israel instead of thirteen? The answer is in verse 49.
- What was the occupation of the Levites? So, they didn't then go out to war with the rest of Israel?
- How were the Levites to make camp? How were the other men to make camp?

## Numbers 2

Verses 1-9

• How did the LORD communicate with Moses and Aaron?

- How did the sons of Israel camp? A standard is a flag, an ensign, a signet, a signature, or a banner. A person would look to their standard for orders during wartime, hence, a standard also invokes instruction.
- Judah is camped on the east. Jesus is from the tribe of Judah and we can expect His return in the east.
- I know the title of this book is "Numbers"; but try not to be discouraged by this, there is so much more inside. I will ask for specific numbers so we can get an idea of the scope of the army, and the multitude of people who came out of Egypt. Do you remember how many went into Egypt 100 years earlier? (Genesis 46:26-27)
- Which camp is to set out first? Not Reuben, the firstborn?

#### Verses 10-16

Which camp sets out second?

#### Verse 17

• Why do you think the tent of meeting doesn't set out first? Just think about it.

#### Verses 18-24

• Which camp sets out third?

#### Verses 25-31

• Which camp sets out last?

#### Verses 32-34

- What was the total number of soldiers among the sons of Israel?
- Who was not numbered among these men? Why?
- Notice there were armies and wars since the beginning of time.
- Did you notice how organized they were according to God's instructions? God is not a God of confusion or disorder?

See you tomorrow.