

Study Series: Numbers

Questions about Numbers 10:11—22:1

1. How did the Israelites know when to break camp in the Sinai Desert? In what order did they march? (10:11-28) Where did the Levites clans (Gershonites, Merarites, and Kohathites) march, and what did they carry?
2. What did the people complain to Moses about as they traveled? (11:1-15) How did God respond? (11:31-34) Why did Miriam and Aaron complain? What happened to them? (Chapter 12)
3. Who was sent to Canaan and what task were they given? (13:1—14:10) What did these men report and what did Caleb recommend? How did the people respond? Have you ever been asked to do something that seemed impossible? If so, how did you react? What do you rely upon to help you overcome your fears?
4. Describe the rebellion of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram (Chapter 16). What happened to them and their families?
5. Why did the priests and Levites receive a portion of the people's offerings? (Chapter 18) What were the Levites supposed to offer to God? What kinds of offerings do people make to God today? What can you "offer" to God?
6. Why was the ceremony to wash away sin important to the people of Israel? (Chapter 19) Notice that the phrase "You will be guilty of making my sacred tent unclean and you will no longer belong to the people of Israel" occurs twice (in 19:13, 20). What does this mean? What is the relationship between "being clean" and belonging to God's people?
7. In chapter 20, what did the people complain about? How did Moses and Aaron respond to the complaint? Why did God decide to punish Aaron and Moses? (20:1-13)
8. What did the people complain about after leaving Mount Hor? (21:4-9) What did the LORD do to them? What did the LORD tell Moses to do when Moses asked for help?