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(1092 Key)

Numbers 1

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Reading Assignment: Numbers 1-4; 9:15-23; 10:11-36

As you read the first four chapters of Numbers, fill in the blanks below and on the following sheets:

Chapter One: The numbering of Israel's army.

"...every male by their polls, from twenty years old and upward, all that are able to go forth to war in Israel..."
 "...only thou shalt not number the tribe of Levi...."

TRIBE NAME	1st NUMBERING Num. 1:1-46	2nd NUMBERING Num. 26:1-56	NET LOSS/GAIN
Camp of Reuben	46,500	43,730	- 2,770
Simeon	59,300	22,200	- 37,100
Gad	45,650	40,500	- 5,150
Camp Total	151,450	106,430	- 45,020
Camp of Judah	74,600	76,500	+ 1,900
Issachar	54,400	64,300	+ 9,900
Zebulun	57,400	60,500	+ 3,100
Camp Total	186,400	201,300	+ 14,900
Camp of Ephraim	40,500	32,500	- 8,000
Manasseh	32,200	52,700	+ 20,500
Benjamin	35,400	45,600	+ 10,200
Camp Total	108,100	130,800	+ 22,700
Camp of Dan	62,700	64,400	+ 1,700
Asher	41,500	53,400	+ 11,900
Naphtali	53,400	45,400	- 8,000
Camp Total	157,600	163,200	+ 5,600
Totals for All Camps	603,550	601,730	- 1,820

Numbers 2

"Every man of the children of Israel shall pitch by his own standard, with the ensign of their father's house: far off from the tabernacle of the congregation..."

Indicate where each tribe was told to camp "far off" around the tabernacle:

10. DAN
 11. ASHER
 12. NAPHTALI

7. EPHRAIM
 8. MANASSEH
 9. BENJAMIN



1. JUDAH
 2. ISSACHAR
 3. ZEBULUN

4. REUBEN
 5. SIMEON
 6. GAD

Numbers 3

"Number the children of Levi after the house of their fathers, by their families: every male from a month old and upward shalt thou number them."

Levi had three sons: **Gershon, Kohath, Merari**

The Levites, therefore, were divided into three families: **Gershonites, Kohathites, and Merarites**. Each of these three families was numbered separately:

(3:21-22) Gershon's descendants = 7,500

Firstborn numbered 22,273
(3:46)

(3:27-28) Kohath's descendants = 8,600

(3:33-34) Merari's descendants = 6,200

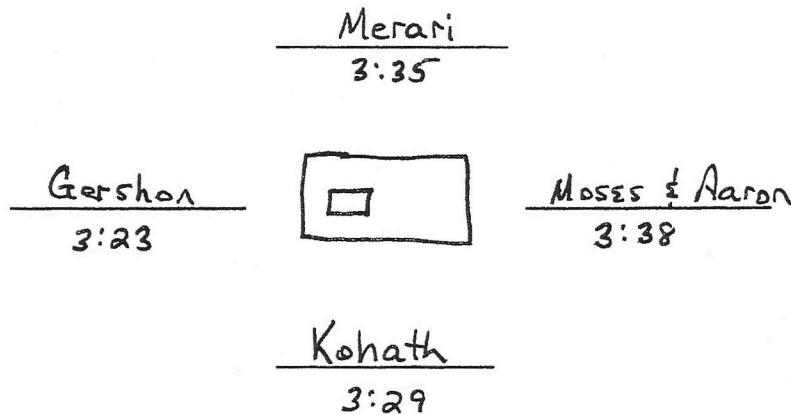
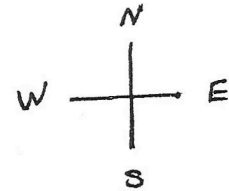
Total = [22,300] 3:39 = 22,000

(3:39-50) How many more firstborn sons were there in Israel than there were Levites who were numbered?

273. (v. 47)

God said Israel owed him 5 shekels of silver for each of those extra firstborn sons. This amounted to 1,365 silver shekels. (v. 50)

The Levites were responsible for the tabernacle, its care and transportation. They were servants to the family of Aaron (the priests), and were commanded to camp closest to the tabernacle (Num.1:47-54). Indicate below where each Levitical family camped and where Moses and Aaron camped.



Numbers 3-4

Gershon

Those who were from this family of Levites (the Gershonites) were responsible for what part of the tabernacle?

tabernacle, tent, coverings, hanging for the door,
court hangings, curtains for the door of the court,
cords.

Aaron's son who was the overseer of the work of the Gershonites was Ithamar
 4:28

Kohath

Those who were from this family of Levites (the Kohathites) were responsible for what part of the tabernacle?

Ark, Table, candlestick, both altars, vessels of the sanctuary,
vail, utensils.

Aaron's son who was the overseer of the work of the Kohathites was Eleazar
 3:32

Merari

Those who were from this family of Levites (the Merarites) were responsible for what part of the tabernacle?

Boards, Bars, Pillars, Sockets, vessels thereof,
Pillars of the court & their sockets, pins, cords.

Aaron's son who was overseer of the work of the Merarites was Ithamar
 4:33

To do the work of the ministry, a Levite had to be 30 to 50 years old.

Kohathites 30-50 years old = 2,750 4:36

Gershonites 30 to 50 years old = 2,630 4:40

Merarites 30 to 50 years old = 3,200 4:44

Total of Levites available for the work of the tabernacle = 8,580 4:47-48

Numbers 10:14-28

The marching order of the Israelites.

When the trumpet signal came to depart from Mount Sinai, the Israelites followed a rigid order of march which Moses had given to them. Beginning with Judah, the tribe who was commanded to march first, write in order the tribes and Levitical families who followed Judah:

1. Judah
2. Issachar
3. Zebulun
4. Gershonites and Merarites
5. Reuben
6. Simeon
7. Gad
8. Kohathites
9. Ephraim
10. Manasseh
11. Benjamin
12. Dan
13. Asher
14. Naphtali