

# “Through the Bible: Numbers 1-9”

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## I. Taking a First Census; Order of Encampment; Moses’ and Aaron’s Family (Num. 1-3)

A. “Take ye the \_\_\_\_\_ of all the congregation of the children of Israel, after their \_\_\_\_\_, by the house of their fathers, with the number of their \_\_\_\_\_, every male by their polls...”

B. What parameters were set in Num. 1:3 as to who would be counted? \_\_\_\_\_

C. Use the table and references below to record this first census.

Tribe	Bible Reference	Population
Reuben	Num. 1:20-21	
Simeon	Num. 1:22-23	
Gad	Num. 1:24-25	
Judah	Num. 1:26-27	
Issachar	Num. 1:28-29	
Zebulun	Num. 1:30-31	
Ephraim (Joseph)	Num. 1:32-33	
Manasseh (Joseph)	Num. 1:34-35	
Benjamin	Num. 1:36-37	
Dan	Num. 1:38-39	
Asher	Num. 1:40-41	
Naphtali	Num. 1:42-43	

D. Were the Levites counted in this census? \_\_\_\_\_

E. Num. 2 describes how God intended for the tribes to camp around the tabernacle. Read the following verses and note which tribe went on which side.

1. East (Num. 2:3-9) \_\_\_\_\_

2. South (Num. 2:10-16) \_\_\_\_\_

3. West (Num. 2:18-24) \_\_\_\_\_

4. North (Num. 2:25-31) \_\_\_\_\_

F. The Levites would be set “in the \_\_\_\_\_ of the camp” (Num. 2:17).

G. In total, how many were counted in this first census of Numbers (Num. 2:32)? \_\_\_\_\_

H. Num. 3 details the families of Aaron and Moses. It is learned the \_\_\_\_\_ were given to Aaron and his sons to do the service of the tabernacle (Num. 3:9).

I. Read Num. 3:38-51 and explain how an offering was taken to help support the work of the priests and the tabernacle. \_\_\_\_\_

## II. Readyng Tabernacle for Travel; Law of Jealousy; Nazarite Vow (Num. 4-6)

A. The tabernacle was a portable building, and thus required men to make it ready for travel. This preparation fell to the “sons of \_\_\_\_\_” (Num. 4:4).

B. They would be responsible for what following pieces of furniture?

1. Num. 4:5-6 \_\_\_\_\_

2. Num. 4:7-8 \_\_\_\_\_

3. Num. 4:9-10 \_\_\_\_\_
4. Num. 4:11-12 \_\_\_\_\_
- C. "...but they shall not \_\_\_\_\_ any holy thing, lest they \_\_\_\_\_. These things are the burden of the sons of \_\_\_\_\_ in the tabernacle of the congregation" (Num. 4:15).
- D. Num. 5 primarily addresses a situation involving a wife and her husband. Read Num. 5:12-31 and briefly describe it. \_\_\_\_\_
- E. Num. 6 focuses on one who would "vow a \_\_\_\_\_ of a \_\_\_\_\_, to \_\_\_\_\_ themselves unto the LORD" (Num. 6:2).
- F. Num. 6:3-12 tells of the restrictions placed upon the one making this vow. Numbers 6:13-21 communicates what occurs as the vow comes to an end.
- G. Num. 6 ends with beautiful language. "The LORD \_\_\_\_\_ thee and \_\_\_\_\_ thee: The LORD make his face \_\_\_\_\_ upon thee, and be \_\_\_\_\_ unto thee: The LORD lift up his \_\_\_\_\_ upon thee, and give thee \_\_\_\_\_."

### III. Offerings for Tabernacle; Levites Set Aside for Their Work; The Passover (Num. 7-9)

- A. Numbers 7 records the offerings made for the tabernacle, and for the service of the tabernacle. Moses was instructed " \_\_\_\_\_ it of them, that they may be to do the \_\_\_\_\_ of the tabernacle of the congregation; and thou shalt \_\_\_\_\_ them unto the Levites, to every man \_\_\_\_\_ to his service" (Num. 7:5).
- B. Num. 8 tells of the sanctification and cleansing of the Levites in order to do the service of the tabernacle. "And the Levites were \_\_\_\_\_, and they \_\_\_\_\_ their clothes; and Aaron offered them as an offering before the LORD; and Aaron made an atonement for them to \_\_\_\_\_ them" (Num. 8:21). What was the age bracket for a Levite to "wait upon the service of the tabernacle" (Num. 8:25)? \_\_\_\_\_
- C. A Divine reminder was given to keep the Passover. When one was \_\_\_\_\_ at the time of Passover, he was instructed what to do (Num. 9:9-14).
- D. At times, the children stayed in one spot for \_\_\_\_\_ days, or a \_\_\_\_\_, or a \_\_\_\_\_ (Num. 9:22).