



THE VISION

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NUMBERS: THE BOOK OF TESTING

A. Author:

Moses

B. Title: From the two numberings of the children of Israel (chapters 1 & 26)

C. Theme: The testing and trials of the 2+ million people who wandered in the wilderness and God's provision for them.

D. Outline:

a. AT SINAI (1:1-10:10)

1. The First Census of Israel (1)

- Purpose: Military & Land Allotment (20 & Older)
- Total: 603,550

2. Camp Arrangement of Tribes (2)

- East: Judah, Issachar, Zebulun
- South: Reuben, Simeon, Gad
- West: Ephraim, Manasseh, Benjamin
- North: Dan, Asher, Naphtali
- Levites: Middle of the Camps

3. Levites and Their Duties (3:1-10:10)

- Levites served the temple as the Firstborn (3)
- Various Duties of the Levites (4):
 - Sons of Kohath- Transported Furniture
 - Sons of Gershon- Transported Coverings
 - Sons of Merari- Frames & Crossbars
- Ceremonial Laws (5:1-10:10)
 - Isolate the unclean
 - Confess & Make Restitution
 - Test to determine if a woman committed adultery
 - Nazarite Vow- Hair/No alcohol/No contact w/ dead
 - Dedicatory Offerings
 - Silver Trumpets- To call Sacred Assembly



b. FROM SINAI TO KADESH-BARNEA (10:11-14:45)

- People complain about Manna, then Quail (11)
- Miriam & Aaron complain about Moses' Wife (12)
- Spies Sent into Canaan (13)
- People Refuse to Enter Canaan (14)

c. THE PERIOD OF WANDERING (15:1-20:21)

- The Rebellion of Korah (16)
- The Budding of Aaron's Rod (17)
- Moses' Sin (20)
- The Refusal of Edom (21)

d. THE JOURNEY TO THE EAST OF PALESTINE (20:22-36-13)

- The Bronze Serpent (21)
- Balaam's Error (22-24)
- Pagan Worship in Moab (25)
- The Second Census (26) [601,730]
- Moses' Successor (27:12)
- Tribes Settling East of the Jordan (32)
- The Allotment of the Land (34ff.)



E. Real Life Lessons from Numbers:

1. Everyone has a place and purpose among God's people.
2. Those who are called will also be tested.
3. It is better to obey God than give in to fear.
4. Complaining shows a profound lack of gratitude.
5. A lack of respect for God's leaders is wrong.
6. Worldliness is dangerous for the child of God.

HYMNS FOR TONIGHT'S WORSHIP



#638 - I Need Thee Every Hour

#543 - 'Til The Storm Passes By

#684 - Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Copies of "*The Journey*" outlines are now available in the Ministry Hallway. You can listen to the messages on our website: www.fbtc.org.

Binders are available on Wednesday nights for \$2 each.

Thank you for your overwhelming enthusiasm for this series!

Attention 4th-6th Graders!

You will be "entertaining" at your next camp fundraiser!

Tryouts are this Sunday ONLY 4-5pm upstairs in Children's Bldg



Wednesday Night Supper Menu - Feb 2

Rotisserie Chicken, Cornbread Stuffing/Gravy, Green Beans, Salad, Roll, Butter Pecan Cake

Cashier - Carol Douglass

Servers - Mary Glass & George Wilson

Serving time is 5:00 until 6:00pm.

Children 5 & under - free, ages 6 to Adult are \$4.00 each with a family max of \$16.00. Please call the church office to make your reservations by

Monday, Jan 31.

- **Men's Softball Team** - All men ages 16 & up are invited to sign up for this year's FBTC Softball Team. Please contact Jason Pate at 401-1798 or email at tpate@fbtc.org. Games are played on Friday nights at West Mobile County Park. Deadline to sign up is **Feb 25** or when the team is full. Season will last until the end of May.

2010 Contribution Statements are available! Look for yours in the Ministry Hallway.

- **Military Care Boxes** - It's time for our Sunday School classes to collect items for our members serving in the War Zone. Items may be dropped off in the Sunday School office or in the Church office by **Feb 2**.
- **Fresh Encounter Discipleship** - Sunday at 5pm in the Auditorium - Join us as we watch a video then move to our Small Group discussion time. You can purchase workbooks in the Library for \$12.
- **4th - 6th Grade Kids Camp 2011 - Friends or Foes?** July 11-15 at Camp Lee in Anniston, AL - Sign up on the "Interest" sheet and pick up a brochure available in the Ministry Hallway. **\$50 deposit is due by Sunday, Feb 6** if your child is interested in attending.

Celebrate Recovery - An organizational meeting will be held on Tues, **Feb 1**, at 6:30pm in the First Place. Please join us if you are interested in beginning this ministry at FBTC.

- **One Heart Craft Corner** - Meets every Thursday in the First Place from 9-11am. Ladies, bring your craft supplies or come and learn a new one. Contact Cindy Bosarge for more information.
- **Youth Ski Trip Meeting (Snowshoe Mountain)** - If you are planning to attend the Ski Trip in March, you must attend the meeting this Sunday night, following the PM service, in the First Place.
- **True Love Waits** - Feb 12-13 - Deadline to order your ring is this Sunday, **Jan 30**. Please contact Ray or Pam right away if you need to turn in your ring size.
- **Tailgate Sunday** - Sunday, **Feb 6** - Bring enough food to feed your family and join us for a "dinner on the grounds". Dishes can be delivered to the FLC any time on Sunday morning, and lunch will be served following the 10:30am Worship Service. **NOTE:** There will be no other activities or services that evening (choirs, discipleship, etc), so that Sunday School classes may host their own in-home fellowships.