

BOOK OF NUMBERS
Bible Study

Numbers is the book of funeral after funeral; burial after burial

Death & Funerals remind me of: _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____

NAME OF BOOK:

Earliest Hebrew writings bear the name “bemidbar” meaning:

Later Greek writings bear the name “Arithmoi” meaning:

WRITER:

DATES:

Chapters _____	_____	Chapters _____
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*“The tragedy of 37 wasted years of wandering is emphasized by being largely ignored”
(McArthur Handbook of the Bible)*

OUTLINE:

	1-10 The Obedience of Israel
	11-19 The Disobedience of Israel
	Continued Disobedience
	Renewed Obedience
	26 – 32 Preparation for Conquest
	33 Review of Journey
	34 – 36 Anticipation of Conquest

EMPHASIS:

A BOOK OF CONTRASTS

THE 1ST GENERATION

THE 2ND GENERATION

BOTH GENERATIONS

CONTRASTS SHOW GOD'S:

CONTRASTS SHOW PEOPLE'S:

THEME:

As that covenant people, they are now ready . . .

Or . . . are they ready?

A WALK THROUGH THE BOOK OF NUMBERS

Ch. 1 - 14

CHAPTER 1 – The First Census

_____ or _____

CHAPTER 2 -- The Arrangement of the Camp

_____ or _____

CHAPTERS 3 & 4 -- Census, Order & Roles of the Priests & Levites

GOD:

God's Presence

SERVICE IS:

THEIR ROLES DEFINED:

A nation of:

A tribe of:

A family of:

CHAPTERS 5 & 6 --

Chapter 7 –

Chapter 8 --

Chapter 9 –

Chapter 10 --

The Silver Trumpets & Inauguration of the March

They _____

They _____

They _____

They _____

AT THE SOUND OF THE TRUMPETS

THE TIME TO JOURNEY HAS COME

At the command of the Lord!

**DISOBEDIENCE OF
Ch. 11-25**

Chapter 11

Chapter 12

Chapters 13 & 14

THE FACTS:

THE CHOICE:

or

C O M P A R E:

Num. 14:1 Lament & Weeping

Ex. 15 Joy & Confidence

“The Lord is my strength . . . The Lord is a warrior. Pharaoh’s chariots and his army He has hurled into the sea . . . Your right hand, O Lord, was majestic in power. Your right hand, O Lord, shattered the enemy. . . . You threw down those that opposed you.”

The enemy boasted . . . I will draw my sword and my hand will destroy them. But you, O Lord, . . . Who is like you, O Lord?”

“The nations will hear and tremble; anguish will grip the people of Canaan . . . Terror and dread will fall on them”

NOW

CONSIDER:

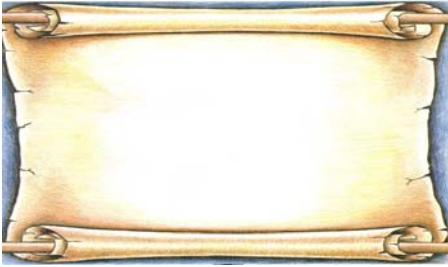
In Exodus	They worshipped a <u>CALF</u> as having brought them <u>out of Egypt</u>
In Numbers	They seek a <u>CAPTAIN</u> to lead them <u>back to Egypt</u>

-- Their refusal to trust the Lord to lead them in victory in Canaan was rebellion & resulted in judgment -

Chapter 15

Chapters 16 -- 20

Chapters 21-- 25



“I see Him, but not now; I behold Him, but not near.”

“A star will come out of Jacob; a scepter will rise out of Israel.”

“He will crush . . . His enemies will be conquered . . . But Israel will grow strong.”
Numbers 24:17

Chapters 26 - 36 New Generation on Edge of Promised Land

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CHRIST IN THE BOOK OF NUMBERS

_____	Jn. 6
_____	I Cor. 10:4
_____	Jn. 10
_____	Calvary
_____	Jn. 3:14
_____	Jn. 1

THE CHALLENGE

Am I a part of the old generation?

Redeemed, instructed, called . . . yet disobedient and unbelieving?

Or do I belong to the new generation?

Obedient and trusting . . . Looking only to Him?

A FORWARD LOOK

“And ye shall dispossess the inhabitants of the land, and dwell therein: for I have given you the land to possess it”.

“But if ye will not drive out the inhabitants of the land from before you; then it shall come to pass, that those which ye let remain of them shall be pricks in your eyes, and thorns in your sides, and shall vex you in the land wherein ye dwell. Moreover it shall come to pass, that I shall do unto you, as I thought to do unto them.” Num. 33:53-56