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Preface

The purpose of this compilation is to provide children with actual Bible text from some of the more interesting passages rather than simplified paraphrases. When children read a Bible, or have it read to them, it is important that the power and beauty of the word of God be retained. Simplified wording is sometimes appropriate for explanations about the scriptures, but not the Bible itself. Too often paraphrases mislead, and even demean the sacred text.

I am a retired middle-school teacher with a Master's degree. I know how important it is that children develop early an interest in, and an understanding of, the written word. Moreover, adults and children alike are blessed by time spent reading together. That is especially true when the time is spent sharing the Holy Bible. Also, by gaining familiarity with the passages in this compilation children can more easily begin reading the scriptures independently.

The text I used was from the ACV (A Conservative Version). You can read more about that version in the appendix of this volume. I tried to choose those events that are not only more familiar, but which also teach us about the nature of God and his relationship with us. My hopes and prayers are that these selections will help all readers learn more about God, and come closer to him.

Now may God bless you parents as you strive to raise your children wisely and righteously in accordance with his holy word. And may God bless you children as you seek to learn more about that greatest of all books, the Holy Bible. And may we all apply these words of the prophet Moses about the old covenant to the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ for God's new covenant:

Hear, O Israel: Jehovah our God is one Jehovah. And thou shall love Jehovah thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be upon thy heart. And thou shall teach them diligently to thy sons, and shall talk of them when thou sit in thy house, and when thou walk by the way, and when thou lie down, and when thou rise up. And thou shall bind them for a sign upon thy hand, and they shall be for frontlets between thine eyes. And thou shall write them upon the door-posts of thy house, and upon thy gates (Deuteronomy 6:4-9).

Scriptures from Genesis

The Creation

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. ^{1:2} And the earth was without form and void, and darkness was upon the face of the deep, and the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. ^{1:3} And God said, Let there be light, and there was light. ^{1:4} And God saw the light, that it was good. And God divided the light from the darkness. ^{1:5} And God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, one day.

^{1:6} And God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters. ^{1:7} And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament. And it was so. ^{1:8} And God called the firmament Heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, a second day.

^{1:9} And God said, Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together to one place, and let the dry land appear. And it was so. ^{1:10} And God called the dry land Earth, and he called the gathering together of the waters Seas. And God saw that it was good. ^{1:11} And God said, Let the earth put forth grass, herbs yielding seed, *and* fruit trees bearing fruit according to their kind (in which is the seed of them) upon the earth. And it was so. ^{1:12} And the earth brought forth grass, herbs yielding seed according to their kind, and trees bearing fruit in which is the seed of it, according to their kind. And God saw that it was good. ^{1:13} And there was evening and there was morning, a third day.

^{1:14} And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of heaven to divide the day from the night, and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days and years. ^{1:15} And let them be for lights in the firmament of heaven to give light upon the earth. And it was so. ^{1:16} And God made the two great lights, the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night, also the stars. ^{1:17} And God set them in the firmament of heaven to give light upon the earth, ^{1:18} and to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ^{1:19} And there was evening and there was morning, a fourth day.

^{1:20} And God said, Let the waters swarm with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven. ^{1:21} And God created the great sea creatures, and every living creature that moves, which the waters brought forth abundantly, according to their kind, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. ^{1:22} And God blessed them, saying, Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth. ^{1:23} And there was evening and there was morning, a fifth day.

^{1:24} And God said, Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kind, cattle, and creeping things, and beasts of the earth according to their kind. And it was so. ^{1:25} And God made the beasts of the earth according to their kind, and the cattle according to their kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

^{1:26} And God said, Let us make man in our image—after our likeness—and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the heavens, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth. ^{1:27} And God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him, male and female he created them. ^{1:28} And God blessed them. And God said to them, Be fruitful, and multiply and fill the earth, and have power over it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the heavens, and over every living thing that moves upon the earth. ^{1:29} And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb yielding seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed. To you it shall be for food, ^{1:30} and to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the heavens, and to everything that creeps upon the earth in which there is life, for food—every green herb. And it was so.

^{1:31} And God saw everything that he had made, and, behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. ^{2:1} And the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them.

^{2:2} And on the seventh day God finished his work which he had made, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made. ^{2:3} And God blessed the seventh day, and hallowed it, because in it he rested from all his work which God had created and made.

Adam and Eve

^{2:4} These are the generations of the heavens and of the earth when they were created, in the day that Jehovah God made earth and heaven. ^{2:5} And no plant of the field was yet in the earth, and no herb of the field had yet sprung up, for Jehovah God had not caused it to rain upon the earth. And there was not a man to till the ground, ^{2:6} but there went up a mist from the earth, and watered the whole face of the ground.

^{2:7} And Jehovah God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and man became a living soul. ^{2:8} And Jehovah God planted a garden eastward, in Eden, and there he put the man whom he had formed.

^{2:9} And out of the ground Jehovah God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food, also the tree of life in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. ... ^{2:15} And Jehovah God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it.

^{2:16} And Jehovah God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou may freely eat, ^{2:17} but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shall not eat of it. For in the day that thou eat of it thou shall surely die.

^{2:18} And Jehovah God said, It is not good that the man should be alone, I will make a help meet for him. ^{2:19} And out of the ground Jehovah God formed every beast of the field, and every bird of the heavens, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them, and whatever the man called every living creature, that was the name of it. ^{2:20} And the man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the heavens, and to every beast of the field, but for man there was not found a help meet for him.

^{2:21} And Jehovah God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept. And *God* took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh in place of it. ^{2:22} And the rib, which Jehovah God had taken from the man, he made a woman, and brought her to the man. ^{2:23} And the man said, This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh. She shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man. ^{2:24} Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother, and shall cling to his wife, and the two shall be one flesh. ^{2:25} And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.

The First Sin

^{3:1} Now the serpent was more cunning than any beast of the field which Jehovah God had made. And he said to the woman, Yea, has God said, Ye shall not eat of any tree of the garden? ^{3:2} And the woman said to the serpent, Of the fruit of the trees of the garden we may eat, ^{3:3} but of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God has said, Ye shall not eat of it, nor shall ye touch it, lest ye die.

^{3:4} And the serpent said to the woman, Ye shall not surely die. ^{3:5} For God knows that in the day ye eat of it, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.

^{3:6} And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make wise, she took of the fruit of it, and ate. And she also gave to her husband with her, and he ate. ^{3:7} And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons.

^{3:8} And they heard the voice of Jehovah God walking in the garden in the cool of the day. And the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of Jehovah God amongst the trees of the garden.

^{3:9} And Jehovah God called to the man, and said to him, Where are thou? ^{3:10} And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked. And I hid myself.

^{3:11} And he said, Who told thee that thou was naked? Have thou eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee that thou should not eat? ^{3:12} And the man said, The woman whom thou gave to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I ate. ^{3:13} And Jehovah God said to the woman, What is this thou have done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I ate.

^{3:14} And Jehovah God said to the serpent, Because thou have done this, cursed are thou above all cattle, and above every beast of the field. Upon thy belly thou shall go, and dust thou shall eat all the days of thy life. ^{3:15} And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed. He shall bruise thy head, and thou shall bruise his heel.

^{3:16} To the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy pain and thy childbearing, in pain thou shall bring forth children. And thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee.

^{3:17} And to Adam he said, Because thou have hearkened to the voice of thy wife, and have eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shall not eat of it, cursed is the ground for thy sake. In toil thou shall eat of it all the days of thy life. ^{3:18} Also, thorns and thistles it shall bring forth to thee, and thou shall eat the herb of the field. ^{3:19} In the sweat of thy face thou shall eat bread, till thou return to the ground, for out of it thou were taken. For thou are dust, and to dust thou shall return. ^{3:20} And the man called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all living. ^{3:21} And Jehovah God made for Adam and for his wife coats of skins, and clothed them.

^{3:22} And Jehovah God said, Behold, the man has become as one of us—to know good and evil—and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live forever—^{3:23} therefore Jehovah God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from where he was taken. ^{3:24} So he drove out the man. And he placed at the east of the garden of Eden the cherubim, and the flame of a sword which turned every way, to guard the way of the tree of life.

Cain and Abel

^{4:1} And the man knew Eve his wife, and she conceived, and bore Cain, and said, I have gotten a man from Jehovah. ^{4:2} And again she bore his brother Abel. And Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground.

^{4:3} And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought an offering to Jehovah of the fruit of the ground. ^{4:4} And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat of it. And Jehovah had respect to Abel and to his offering, ^{4:5} but he did not have respect to Cain and to his offering. And Cain was very angry, and his countenance fell. ^{4:6} And Jehovah said to Cain, Why are thou angry? And why has thy countenance fallen? ^{4:7} If thou do well, shall thou not be accepted? And if thou do not well, sin crouches at the door. Its desire shall be for thee, and thou shall rule over it. ^{4:8} And Cain told Abel his brother. And it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and killed him.

^{4:9} And Jehovah said to Cain, Where is Abel thy brother? And he said, I know not. Am I my brother's keeper? ^{4:10} And he said, What have thou done? The voice of thy brother's blood cries to me from the ground. ^{4:11} And now cursed are thou from the ground, which has opened its mouth to receive thy brother's blood from thy hand. ^{4:12} When thou till the ground, it shall not

henceforth yield to thee its strength. A fugitive and a wanderer thou shall be on the earth.

4:13 And Cain said to Jehovah, My punishment is greater than I can bear. 4:14 Behold, thou have driven me out this day from the face of the ground, and I shall be hid from thy face, and I shall be a fugitive and a wanderer in the earth. And it shall come to pass, that whoever finds me shall slay me. 4:15 And Jehovah said to him, Therefore whoever kills Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold. And Jehovah appointed a sign for Cain, lest any who finds him should smite him. 4:16 And Cain went out from the presence of Jehovah, and dwelt in the land of Nod, on the east of Eden. ...

5:3 And Adam lived a hundred and thirty years, and begot a son in his own likeness, according to his image, and called his name Seth. 5:4 And the days of Adam were eight hundred years after he begot Seth. And he begot sons and daughters. 5:5 And all the days that Adam lived were nine hundred and thirty years, and he died.

5:6 And Seth lived a hundred and five years, and begot Enosh. ... 5:8 And all the days of Seth were nine hundred and twelve years, and he died. 5:9 And Enosh lived ninety years, and begot Kenan. ... 5:11 And all the days of Enosh were nine hundred and five years, and he died. 5:12 And Kenan lived seventy years, and begot Mahalalel. ... 5:14 And all the days of Kenan were nine hundred and ten years, and he died. 5:15 And Mahalalel lived sixty-five years, and begot Jared. ... 5:17 And all the days of Mahalalel were eight hundred and ninety-five years, and he died. 5:18 And Jared lived a hundred sixty-two years, and begot Enoch. ... 5:20 And all the days of Jared were nine hundred sixty-two years, and he died.

5:21 And Enoch lived sixty-five years, and begot Methuselah. 5:22 And Enoch walked with God after he begot Methuselah three hundred years, and begot sons and daughters. 5:23 And all the days of Enoch were three hundred sixty-five years. 5:24 And Enoch walked with God, and he was not, for God took him.

5:25 And Methuselah lived a hundred eighty-seven years, and begot Lamech. 5:26 And Methuselah lived seven hundred eighty-two years after he begot Lamech, and begot sons and daughters. 5:27 And all the days of Methuselah were nine hundred sixty-nine years, and he died. 5:28 And Lamech lived a hundred eighty-two years, and begot a son. 5:29 And he called his name Noah ... 5:32 And Noah was five hundred years old. And Noah begot Shem, Ham, and Japheth. ...

Noah and the Flood

6:3 And Jehovah said, My spirit shall not abide in man forever, for he also is flesh. Yet shall his days be a hundred and twenty years. ... 6:5 And Jehovah saw that the wickedness of man was great on the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. 6:6 And Jehovah regretted that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him in his heart. 6:7 And Jehovah said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the ground, from man, to beast, to creeping things, and birds of the heavens, for I regret that I have made them.

6:8 But Noah found favor in the eyes of Jehovah. 6:9 ... Noah was a righteous man, perfect in his generations. Noah walked with God. 6:10 And Noah begot three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

6:11 And the earth was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence. 6:12 And God saw the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt, for all flesh had corrupted their way upon the earth. 6:13 And God said to Noah, The end of all flesh has come before me, for the earth is filled with violence through them, and, behold, I will destroy them with the earth.

6:14 Make thee an ark of gopher wood. Thou shall make rooms in the ark, and shall pitch it inside and outside with pitch. 6:15 And this is how thou shall make it: The length of the ark three hundred cubits, the breadth of it fifty cubits, and the height of it thirty cubits. 6:16 Thou shall make a light for the ark, and thou shall finish it to a cubit upward. And thou shall set the door of the ark in the side of it, with lower, second, and third stories thou shall make it.

6:17 And I, behold, I bring the flood of waters upon this earth, to destroy all flesh, in which is the breath of life, from under heaven. Everything that is on the earth shall die. 6:18 But I will establish my covenant with thee. And thou shall come into the ark, thou, and thy sons, and thy wife, and thy sons' wives with thee. 6:19 And of every living thing of all flesh, two of every sort thou shall bring into the ark, to keep them alive with thee. They shall be male and female. 6:20 Of the birds according to their kind, and of the cattle according to their kind, of every creeping thing of the ground according to its kind. Two of every sort shall come to thee, to keep them alive. 6:21 And take thou to thee of all food that is eaten, and gather it to thee, and it shall be for food for thee, and for them. 6:22 Thus Noah did; according to all that God commanded him, so he did.

7:1 And Jehovah said to Noah, Come, thou and all thy house into the ark, for I have seen thee righteous before me in this generation. 7:2 Of every clean beast thou shall take to thee by sevens, the male and his female. And of the beasts that are not clean two, the male and his female. 7:3 Also of the birds of the heavens by sevens, male and female, to keep seed alive upon the face of all the earth. 7:4 For yet seven days, and I will cause it to rain upon the earth forty days and forty nights, and every living thing that I have made I will destroy from off the face of the ground. 7:5 And Noah did according to all that Jehovah commanded him.

7:6 And Noah was six hundred years old when the flood of waters was upon the earth. 7:7 And Noah went in, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him, into the ark, because of the waters of the flood. ... 7:15 And they went in to Noah into the ark, two by two of all flesh in which is the breath of life. 7:16 And those that went in, went in male and female of all flesh, as God commanded him. And Jehovah shut him in. ... 7:18 And the waters prevailed, and increased greatly upon the earth, and the ark went upon the face of the waters. 7:19 And the waters prevailed exceedingly upon the earth, and all the high mountains that were under the whole heaven were covered 7:21 And all flesh died that moved upon the earth, from birds, to cattle, to beasts, and every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth, and every man. ... 7:24 And the waters prevailed upon the earth a hundred and fifty days.

8:1 And God remembered Noah, and all the beasts, and all the cattle that were with him in the ark. And God made a wind to pass over the earth, and the waters subsided. 8:2 Also the fountains of the deep and the windows of heaven were stopped, and the rain from heaven was restrained. 8:3 And the waters returned from off the earth continually. And after the end of a hundred and fifty days the waters decreased. 8:4 And the ark rested ... upon the mountains of Ararat. ...

8:6 And it came to pass at the end of forty days, that Noah opened the window of the ark which he had made. 8:7 And he sent forth a raven. And it went forth to and fro, until the waters were dried up from off the earth. 8:8 And he sent forth a dove from him, to see if the waters were abated from off the face of the ground. 8:9 But the dove found no rest for the sole of her foot. And she returned to him to the ark, for the waters were on the face of the whole earth. And he put forth his hand, and took her, and brought her in to him into the ark. 8:10 And he stayed yet another seven days, and again he sent forth the dove out of the

ark. ^{8:11} And the dove came in to him at evening. And, lo, in her mouth an olive leaf plucked off, so Noah knew that the waters were abated from off the earth. ^{8:12} And he stayed yet seven other days, and sent forth the dove. And she did not return again to him any more. ^{8:13} And it came to pass ... the waters were dried up from off the earth. And Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked. And, behold, the face of the ground was dried. ...

^{8:15} And God spoke to Noah, saying, ^{8:16} Go forth from the ark, thou, and thy wife, and thy sons, and thy sons' wives with thee. ^{8:17} Bring forth with thee every living thing that is with thee ... that they may ... multiply upon the earth. ^{8:18} And Noah went forth, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him. ^{8:19} Every beast, every creeping thing, and every bird, whatever moves upon the earth, according to their families, went forth out of the ark.

The Sign of the Rainbow

^{8:20} And Noah built an altar to Jehovah, and took of every clean beast, and of every clean bird, and offered burnt offerings on the altar. ^{8:21} And Jehovah smelled the sweet savor. And Jehovah said in his heart, I will not again curse the ground any more for man's sake, for that the imagination of man's heart is evil from his youth. Neither will I again any more smite everything living, as I have done. ^{8:22} While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.

^{9:1} And God blessed Noah and his sons, and said to them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the earth. ^{9:2} And the fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the earth, and upon every bird of the heavens, with all with which the ground teems, and all the fishes of the sea. They are delivered into your hand. ^{9:3} Every moving thing that lives shall be food for you. As the green herb, I have given you all. ^{9:4} But flesh with the life of it, *which is* the blood of it, ye shall not eat. ... ^{9:6} Whoever sheds man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed. For in the image of God he made man. ^{9:7} And you, be ye fruitful, and multiply. Bring forth abundantly on the earth, and multiply on it.

^{9:8} And God spoke to Noah, and to his sons with him, saying, ^{9:9} And I, behold, I establish my covenant with you, and with your seed after you, ^{9:10} and with every living creature that is with you ... of all that go out of the ark ... ^{9:11} And I will establish my covenant with you. Neither shall all flesh be cut off any more by the

waters of the flood, nor shall there be a flood any more to destroy the earth.

9:12 And God said, This is the sign of the covenant which I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for perpetual generations: 9:13 I set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a sign of a covenant between me and the earth. 9:14 And it shall come to pass, when I bring a cloud over the earth, that the bow shall be seen in the cloud. 9:15 And I will remember my covenant, which is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh. And the waters shall no more become a flood to destroy all flesh. ... 9:17 And God said to Noah, This is the sign of the covenant which I have established between me and all flesh that is upon the earth. ...

The Tower of Babel

11:1 And the whole earth was of one language and of one speech. ... 11:3 And they said one to another, Come, let us make brick, and burn them thoroughly. And they had brick for stone, and they had slime for mortar. 11:4 And they said, Come, let us build a city for us, and a tower, and its top in the heavens. And let us make a name for us, lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth.

11:5 And Jehovah came down to see the city and the tower, which the sons of men built. 11:6 And Jehovah said, Behold, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is what they begin to do. And now nothing will be withheld from them, which they propose to do. 11:7 Come, let us go down, and there confound their language, that they may not understand each other's speech.

11:8 So Jehovah scattered them abroad from there upon the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. 11:9 Therefore the name of it was called Babel, because Jehovah there confounded the language of all the earth, and from there Jehovah scattered them abroad upon the face of all the earth. ...

God Calls Abram

11:26 And Terah lived seventy years, and begot Abram, Nahor, and Haran. ... 11:31 And Terah took Abram his son, and Lot the son of Haran, his son's son, and Sarai his daughter-in-law, his son Abram's wife. And they went forth with them from Ur of the Chaldees, to go into the land of Canaan. And they came to Haran, and dwelt there. ...

12:1 Now Jehovah said to Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, to the land that I will show thee. 12:2 And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great, and be thou a blessing. 12:3 And I will bless those who bless thee, and he who curses thee I will curse. And in thee shall all the families of the earth be blessed.

12:4 So Abram went as Jehovah had spoken to him, and Lot went with him. And Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed out of Haran. 12:5 And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their substance that they had gathered, and the souls that they had gotten in Haran, and they went forth to go into the land of Canaan. And they came into the land of Canaan. ...

12:7 And Jehovah appeared to Abram, and said, I will give this land to thy seed. And there he built an altar to Jehovah, who appeared to him. ...

Abram in Egypt

12:9 And Abram journeyed, going on still toward the South. 12:10 And there was a famine in the land. And Abram went down into Egypt to sojourn there, for the famine was severe in the land. 12:11 And it came to pass, when he came near to enter into Egypt, that he said to Sarai his wife, Behold now, I know that thou art a fair woman to look upon. 12:12 And it shall come to pass, when the Egyptians shall see thee, that they shall say, This is his wife. And they will kill me, but they will save thee alive. 12:13 Say, I pray thee, thou art my sister, that it may be well with me for thy sake, and that my soul may live because of thee.

12:14 And it came to pass, that, when Abram came into Egypt, the Egyptians beheld the woman that she was very fair. 12:15 And the princes of Pharaoh saw her, and praised her to Pharaoh. And the woman was taken into Pharaoh's house. 12:16 And he dealt well with Abram for her sake. And he had sheep, and oxen, and he-donkeys, and men-servants, and maid-servants, and she-donkeys, and camels. 12:17 And Jehovah plagued Pharaoh and his house with great plagues because of Sarai, Abram's wife.

12:18 And Pharaoh called Abram, and said, What is this that thou have done to me? Why did thou not tell me that she was thy wife? 12:19 Why did thou say, She is my sister, so that I took her to be my wife? Now therefore behold thy wife. Take her, and go thy way. 12:20 And Pharaoh gave men command concerning

him. And they brought him on the way, and his wife, and all that he had.

Abram and Lot Separate

^{13:1} And Abram went up out of Egypt, he, and his wife, and all that he had, and Lot with him, into the South. ^{13:2} And Abram was very rich in cattle, in silver, and in gold. ^{13:5} And Lot also, who went with Abram, had flocks, and herds, and tents. ^{13:6} And the land was not able to bear them, that they might dwell together. For their substance was great, so that they could not dwell together. ^{13:7} And there was a strife between the herdsmen of Abram's cattle and the herdsmen of Lot's cattle. ...

^{13:8} And Abram said to Lot, Let there be no strife, I pray thee, between me and thee, and between my herdsmen and thy herdsmen, for we are brothers. ^{13:9} Is not the whole land before thee? Separate thyself, I pray thee, from me. If the left hand, then I will go to the right. Or if the right hand, then I will go to the left.

^{13:10} And Lot lifted up his eyes, and beheld all the Plain of the Jordan, that it was well watered everywhere (before Jehovah destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah) like the garden of Jehovah ...

^{13:11} So Lot chose for himself all the Plain of the Jordan. And Lot journeyed east, and they separated themselves the one from the other. ^{13:12} Abram dwelt in the land of Canaan. And Lot dwelt in the cities of the Plain, and moved his tent as far as Sodom. ^{13:13} Now the men of Sodom were exceedingly wicked and sinners against Jehovah.

God's Promise to Abram

^{13:14} And Jehovah said to Abram, after Lot was separated from him, Lift up now thine eyes, and look from the place where thou are, northward and southward and eastward and westward. ^{13:15} For all the land which thou see, to thee I will give it, and to thy seed forever. ^{13:16} And I will make thy seed as the dust of the earth. So that if a man can number the dust of the earth, then may thy seed also be numbered. ^{13:17} Arise, walk through the land in the length of it and in the breadth of it, for to thee I will give it. ...

Ishmael

^{16:1} Now Sarai, Abram's wife, bore him no sons. And she had a handmaid, an Egyptian, whose name was Hagar. ... ^{16:3} And

Sarai, Abram's wife, took Hagar the Egyptian, her handmaid, after Abram had dwelt ten years in the land of Canaan, and gave her to Abram her husband to be his wife. ... 16:15 And Hagar bore Abram a son. And Abram called the name of his son, whom Hagar bore, Ishmael. 16:16 And Abram was eighty-six years old when Hagar bore Ishmael to Abram.

God's Covenant with Abram

17:1 And when Abram was ninety-nine years old, Jehovah appeared to Abram, and said to him, I am God Almighty, walk before me, and be thou perfect. 17:2 And I will make my covenant between me and thee, and will multiply thee exceedingly.

17:3 And Abram fell on his face. And God talked with him, saying, 17:4 As for me, behold, my covenant is with thee, and thou shall be the father of a multitude of nations. 17:5 Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham, for I have made thee the father of a multitude of nations. ... 17:8 And I will give to thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land of thy sojourning, all the land of Canaan for an everlasting possession, and I will be their God.

17:9 And God said to Abraham, And as for thee, thou shall keep my covenant, thou, and thy seed after thee throughout their generations. 17:10 This is my covenant, which ye shall keep, between me and you and thy seed after thee: every male among you shall be circumcised. ...

17:15 And God said to Abraham, As for Sarai thy wife, thou shall not call her name Sarai, but her name shall be Sarah. 17:16 And I will bless her. And moreover I will give thee a son by her. Yea, I will bless her, and she shall be a *mother of nations*; kings of peoples shall be by her.

17:17 Then Abraham fell upon his face, and laughed, and said in his heart, Shall a child be born to him who is a hundred years old? And shall Sarah, who is ninety years old, bear? 17:18 And Abraham said to God, Oh that Ishmael might live before thee! 17:19 And God said, No, but Sarah thy wife shall bear thee a son, and thou shall call his name Isaac. And I will establish my covenant with him for an everlasting covenant for his seed after him.

17:20 And as for Ishmael, I have heard thee. Behold, I have blessed him, and will make him fruitful, and will multiply him exceedingly. He shall beget twelve princes, and I will make him a great nation. 17:21 But I will establish my covenant with Isaac, whom Sarah shall bear to thee at this set time in the next year.

17:22 And he left off talking with him, and God went up from Abraham. ... 17:26 In the selfsame day Abraham was circumcised, and Ishmael his son. 17:27 And all the men of his house, those born in the house, and those bought with money from a foreigner, were circumcised with him.

Abraham's Divine Visitors

18:1 And Jehovah appeared to him by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat in the tent door in the heat of the day. 18:2 And he lifted up his eyes and looked, and, lo, three men stood by him. And when he saw them, he ran to meet them from the tent door, and bowed himself to the earth, 18:3 and said, My lord, if now I have found favor in thy sight, pass not away, I pray thee, from thy servant. 18:4 Let now a little water be fetched, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. 18:5 And I will fetch a morsel of bread, and strengthen ye your heart. After that ye shall pass on, inasmuch as ye came to your servant. And they said, Do so as thou have said. ...

18:9 And they said to him, Where is Sarah thy wife? And he said, Behold, in the tent. 18:10 And he said, I will certainly return to thee when the season comes round, and, lo, Sarah thy wife shall have a son. And Sarah heard in the tent door, which was behind him.

18:11 Now Abraham and Sarah were old, *and* well stricken in age. It had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. 18:12 And Sarah laughed within herself 18:13 And Jehovah said to Abraham, Why did Sarah laugh, saying, Shall I who am old certainly bear a child? 18:14 Is anything too hard for Jehovah? At the set time I will return to thee, when the season comes round, and Sarah shall have a son. 18:15 Then Sarah denied, saying, I did not laugh, for she was afraid. And he said, No, but thou did laugh.

18:16 And the men rose up from there, and looked toward Sodom. And Abraham went with them to bring them on the way.

18:17 And Jehovah said, Shall I hide from Abraham that which I do, 18:18 since Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? 18:19 For I have known him, to the end that he may command his children and his household after him, that they may keep the way of Jehovah, to do righteousness and justice, to the end that Jehovah may bring upon Abraham that which he has spoken of him.

Abraham Pleads for Sodom and Gomorrah

^{18:20} And Jehovah said, Because the cry of Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grievous, ^{18:21} I will go down now, and see whether they have done altogether according to the cry of it, which comes to me. And if not, I will know. ^{18:22} And the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, but Abraham yet stood before Jehovah.

^{18:23} And Abraham drew near, and said, Will thou consume righteous men with wicked men? ^{18:24} Perhaps there are fifty righteous men within the city. Will thou consume and not spare the place for the fifty righteous men that are in it? ... ^{18:26} And Jehovah said, If I find in Sodom fifty righteous men within the city, then I will spare all the place for their sake. ^{18:27} And Abraham answered and said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak to the Lord, who am but dust and ashes. ^{18:28} Perhaps there shall lack five of the fifty righteous men. Will thou destroy all the city for lack of five? And he said, I will not destroy it, if I find there forty-five. ^{18:29} And he spoke to him yet again, and said, Perhaps there shall be forty found there. And he said, I will not do it for the forty's sake. ^{18:30} And he said, Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak. Perhaps there shall be thirty found there. And he said, I will not do it, if I find thirty there. ^{18:31} And he said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak to the Lord. Perhaps there shall be twenty found there. And he said, I will not destroy it for the twenty's sake. ^{18:32} And he said, Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak yet but this once. Perhaps ten shall be found there. And he said, I will not destroy it for the ten's sake. ^{18:33} And Jehovah went his way as soon as he had left off conversing with Abraham, and Abraham returned to his place.

The Destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah

^{19:1} And the two agents came to Sodom at evening, and Lot sat in the gate of Sodom. And Lot saw them, and rose up to meet them. And he bowed himself with his face to the earth, ^{19:2} and he said, Behold now, my lords, turn aside, I pray you, into your servant's house, and tarry all night, and wash your feet, and ye shall rise up early, and go on your way. And they said, No, but we will abide in the street all night. ^{19:3} And he urged them greatly. And they turned in to him, and entered into his house. And he made a feast for them, and baked unleavened bread, and they ate.

But before they lay down, the men of the city, the men of Sodom, encompassed the house around, both young and old, all the people from every quarter. ^{19:5} And they called to Lot, and said to him, Where are the men who came in to thee this night? Bring them out to us ^{19:6} And Lot went out to them to the door, and shut the door after him. ^{19:7} And he said, I pray you, my brothers, do not so wickedly. ^{19:8} ... do nothing to these men, inasmuch as they have come under the shadow of my roof. ^{19:9} And they said, Stand back. And they said, This one fellow came in to sojourn, and he will be a judge. Now we will deal worse with thee, than with them. And they pressed greatly upon the man, even Lot, and drew near to break the door. ^{19:10} But the men put forth their hand, and brought Lot into the house to them, and shut to the door. ^{19:11} And they smote the men who were at the door of the house with blindness, both small and great, so that they wearied themselves to find the door.

^{19:12} And the men said to Lot, Have thou here any besides? Son-in-law, and thy sons, and thy daughters, and whomever thou have in the city, bring them out of the place. ^{19:13} For we will destroy this place, because the cry of them has been great before Jehovah. And Jehovah has sent us to destroy it. ^{19:14} And Lot went out, and spoke to his sons-in-law, who married his daughters, and said, Up, get you out of this place, for Jehovah will destroy the city. But he seemed to his sons-in-law as a man jesting.

^{19:15} And when the morning arose, then the agents hurried Lot, saying, Arise, take thy wife, and thy two daughters who are here, lest thou be consumed in the iniquity of the city. ^{19:16} But he lingered. And the men laid hold upon his hand, and upon the hand of his wife, and upon the hand of his two daughters, Jehovah being merciful to him, and they brought him forth, and set him outside the city. ^{19:17} And it came to pass, when they had brought them forth abroad, that he said, Escape for thy life, do not look behind thee, neither stay thou in all the Plain. Escape to the mountain, lest thou be consumed.

^{19:18} And Lot said to them, Oh, not so, my lord. ^{19:19} Behold now, thy servant has found favor in thy sight, and thou have magnified thy loving kindness, which thou have shown to me in saving my life, and I cannot escape to the mountain, lest evil overtake me, and I die.

^{19:20} Behold now, this city is near to flee to, and it is a little one. Oh let me escape there (is it not a little one?), and my soul shall live. ^{19:21} And he said to him, See, I have accepted thee concerning this thing also, that I will not overthrow the city of which thou

have spoken. ^{19:22} Hasten thee, escape there, for I cannot do anything till thou have come there. Therefore the name of the city was called Zoar. ^{19:23} The sun was risen upon the earth when Lot came to Zoar.

^{19:24} Then Jehovah rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah brimstone and fire from Jehovah out of heaven. ^{19:25} And he overthrew those cities, and all the Plain, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and that which grew upon the ground. ^{19:26} But his wife looked back from behind him, and she became a pillar of salt.

^{19:27} And Abraham got up early in the morning to the place where he had stood before Jehovah. ^{19:28} And he looked toward Sodom and Gomorrah, and toward all the land of the Plain, and beheld, and, lo, the smoke of the land went up as the smoke of a furnace. ^{19:29} And it came to pass, when God destroyed the cities of the Plain, that God remembered Abraham, and sent Lot out of the midst of the overthrow, when he overthrew the cities in which Lot dwelt. ...

The Birth of Isaac

^{21:1} And Jehovah visited Sarah as he had said, and Jehovah did to Sarah as he had spoken. ^{21:2} And Sarah conceived, and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the set time of which God had spoken to him.

^{21:3} And Abraham called the name of his son who was born to him, whom Sarah bore to him, Isaac. ^{21:4} And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac when he was eight days old, as God had commanded him. ^{21:5} And Abraham was a hundred years old, when his son Isaac was born to him. ...

Hagar and Ishmael Sent Away

^{21:8} And the child grew, and was weaned. And Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. ^{21:9} And Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, mocking. ^{21:10} Therefore she said to Abraham, Cast out this handmaid and her son. For the son of this handmaid shall not be heir with my son, even with Isaac. ^{21:11} And the thing was very grievous in Abraham's sight on account of his son.

^{21:12} And God said to Abraham, Let it not be grievous in thy sight because of the lad, and because of thy handmaid. In all that Sarah says to thee, hearken to her voice. For in Isaac shall

thy seed be called. ^{21:13} And also I will make a nation of the son of the handmaid, because he is thy seed.

^{21:14} And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and took bread and a bottle of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, and the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered in the wilderness of Beersheba.

^{21:15} And the water in the bottle was spent, and she cast the child under one of the shrubs. ^{21:16} And she went, and sat herself down opposite him a good way off, as it were a bowshot. For she said, Let me not look upon the death of the child. And she sat opposite him, and lifted up her voice, and wept.

^{21:17} And God heard the voice of the lad. And the agent of God called to Hagar out of heaven, and said to her, What troubles thee, Hagar? Fear not, for God has heard the voice of the lad where he is. ^{21:18} Arise, lift up the lad, and hold him in thy hand, for I will make him a great nation.

^{21:19} And God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water. And she went, and filled the bottle with water, and gave the lad drink. ^{21:20} And God was with the lad, and he grew. And he dwelt in the wilderness, and became, as he grew up, an archer. ...

God Tests Abraham

^{22:1} And it came to pass after these things, that God proved Abraham, and said to him, Abraham. And he said, Here I am. ^{22:2} And he said, Take now thy son, thine only son, whom thou love, even Isaac, and get thee into the land of Moriah. And offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of.

^{22:3} And Abraham rose early in the morning, and saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son. And he split the wood for the burnt offering, and rose up, and went to the place of which God had told him. ^{22:4} On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off. ^{22:5} And Abraham said to his young men, Abide ye here with the donkey, and I and the lad will go yonder, and we will worship, and come again to you.

^{22:6} And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering, and laid it upon Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. And they went both of them together. ^{22:7} And Isaac spoke to Abraham his father, and said, My father. And he said, Here I am, my son. And he said, Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering? ^{22:8} And Abraham said,

God will provide himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son. So they went both of them together.

22:9 And they came to the place which God had told him of. And Abraham built the altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar, upon the wood. 22:10 And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son.

22:11 And the agent of Jehovah called to him out of heaven, and said, Abraham, Abraham. And he said, Here I am. 22:12 And he said, Do not lay thy hand upon the lad, neither do thou anything to him. For now I know that thou fear God, since thou have not withheld thy son, thine only son, from me.

22:13 And Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and, behold, behind *him* a ram caught in the thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering instead of his son. 22:14 And Abraham called the name of that place Jehovah-jireh. As it is said to this day, In the mount of Jehovah it shall be provided.

22:15 And the agent of Jehovah called to Abraham a second time out of heaven, 22:16 and said, By myself I have sworn, says Jehovah, because thou have done this thing, and have not withheld thy son, thine only son, 22:17 that in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heavens, and as the sand which is upon the seashore, and thy seed shall possess the gate of his enemies, 22:18 and in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because thou have obeyed my voice. ...

A Wife for Isaac

24:1 And Abraham was old, well stricken in age. And Jehovah had blessed Abraham in all things. 24:2 And Abraham said to his servant, the elder of his house, who ruled over all that he had, Put thy hand, I pray thee, under my thigh. 24:3 And I will make thee swear by Jehovah, the God of heaven and the God of the earth, that thou will not take a wife for my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, among whom I dwell. 24:4 But thou shall go to my country, and to my kindred, and take a wife for my son Isaac. ... 24:7 Jehovah, the God of heaven, who took me from my father's house, and from the land of my nativity, and who spoke to me, and who swore to me, saying, To thy seed I will give this land, he will send his agent before thee, and thou shall take a wife for my son from there. ... 24:9 And the servant put his hand under the

thigh of Abraham his master, and swore to him concerning this matter.

^{24:10} And the servant took ten camels, of the camels of his master, and departed, having all goodly things of his master's in his hand. And he arose, and went to Mesopotamia, to the city of Nahor. ^{24:11} And he made the camels to kneel down outside the city by the well of water at the time of evening, the time that women go out to draw water.

^{24:12} And he said, O Jehovah, the God of my master Abraham, send me, I pray thee, good speed this day, and show kindness to my master Abraham. ^{24:13} Behold, I am standing by the fountain of water. And the daughters of the men of the city are coming out to draw water. ^{24:14} And let it come to pass, that the damsel to whom I shall say, Let down thy pitcher, I pray thee, that I may drink. And she shall say, Drink, and I will give thy camels drink also. Let the same be she that thou have appointed for thy servant Isaac. And thereby I shall know that thou have shown kindness to my master.

^{24:15} And it came to pass, before he was done speaking, that, behold, Rebekah came out, who was born to Bethuel the son of Milcah, the wife of Nahor, Abraham's brother, with her pitcher upon her shoulder. ^{24:16} And the damsel was very fair to look upon, a virgin And she went down to the fountain, and filled her pitcher, and came up.

^{24:17} And the servant ran to meet her, and said, Give me to drink, I pray thee, a little water from thy pitcher. ^{24:18} And she said, Drink, my lord. And she hurried, and let down her pitcher upon her hand, and gave him drink. ^{24:19} And when she had finished giving him drink, she said, I will draw for thy camels also, until they have done drinking. ^{24:20} And she hurried, and emptied her pitcher into the trough, and ran again to the well to draw, and drew for all his camels. ^{24:21} And the man looked steadfastly on her, keeping silent, to know whether Jehovah had made his journey prosperous or not.

^{24:22} And it came to pass, as the camels had finished drinking, that the man took a golden ring of half a shekel weight, and two bracelets for her hands of ten shekels weight of gold, ^{24:23} and said, Whose daughter are thou? Tell me, I pray thee. Is there room in thy father's house for us to lodge in? ^{24:24} And she said to him, I am the daughter of Bethuel ^{24:25} She said moreover to him, We have both straw and provender enough, and room to lodge in.

24:26 And the man bowed his head, and worshiped Jehovah.
24:27 And he said, Blessed be Jehovah, the God of my master Abraham, who has not forsaken his loving kindness and his truth toward my master. As for me, Jehovah has led me in the way to the house of my master's brothers.

24:28 And the damsel ran, and told her mother's house according to these words. 24:29 And Rebekah had a brother, and his name was Laban. And Laban ran out to the man, to the fountain.
24:30 And it came to pass, when he saw the ring, and the bracelets upon his sister's hands, and when he heard the words of Rebekah his sister, saying, Thus spoke the man to me, that he came to the man. And, behold, he was standing by the camels at the fountain.

24:31 And he said, Come in, thou blessed of Jehovah. Why do thou stand outside? For I have prepared the house, and room for the camels. 24:32 And the man came into the house, and he ungirded the camels. And he gave straw and provender for the camels, and water to wash his feet and the feet of the men who were with him. 24:33 And there was set before him food to eat. But he said, I will not eat until I have told my errand. And he said, Speak on.

24:34 And he said, I am Abraham's servant. ... 24:37 And my master made me swear, saying, Thou shall not take a wife for my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I dwell,
24:38 but thou shall go to my father's house, and to my kindred, and take a wife for my son. ...

24:42 And I came this day to the fountain, and said, O Jehovah, the God of my master Abraham, if thou do now prosper my way which I go, 24:43 behold, I am standing by the fountain of water, and let it come to pass, that the maiden who comes forth to draw, to whom I shall say, Give me, I pray thee, a little water from thy pitcher to drink, 24:44 and she shall say to me, Both drink thou, and I will also draw for thy camels, let the same be the woman whom Jehovah has appointed for my master's son.

24:45 And before I was done speaking in my heart, behold, Rebekah came forth with her pitcher on her shoulder. And she went down to the fountain, and drew. And I said to her, Let me drink, I pray thee. 24:46 And she made haste, and let down her pitcher from her shoulder, and said, Drink, and I will give thy camels drink also. ...

24:47 And I asked her, and said, Whose daughter are thou? And she said, The daughter of Bethuel 24:48 And I bowed my head, and worshiped Jehovah, and blessed Jehovah, the God

of my master Abraham, who had led me in the right way to take my master's brother's daughter for his son. ^{24:49} And now if ye will deal kindly and truly with my master, tell me. And if not, tell me, that I may turn to the right hand, or to the left.

^{24:50} Then Laban and Bethuel answered and said, The thing proceeds from Jehovah; we cannot speak to thee bad or good. ^{24:51} Behold, Rebekah is before thee, take her, and go, and let her be thy master's son's wife, as Jehovah has spoken. ^{24:52} And it came to pass, that, when Abraham's servant heard their words, he bowed himself down to the earth to Jehovah. ... ^{24:61} And Rebekah arose, and her damsels, and they rode upon the camels, and followed the man. And the servant took Rebekah, and went his way.

^{24:62} And Isaac came from the way of Beer-lahai-roi, for he dwelt in the land of the South. ^{24:63} And Isaac went out to meditate in the field at the evening. And he lifted up his eyes, and saw, and, behold, there were camels coming.

^{24:64} And Rebekah lifted up her eyes, and when she saw Isaac, she alighted from the camel. ^{24:65} And she said to the servant, What man is this who walks in the field to meet us? And the servant said, It is my master. And she took her veil, and covered herself.

^{24:66} And the servant told Isaac all the things that he had done. ^{24:67} And Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent, and took Rebekah, and she became his wife, and he loved her. And Isaac was comforted after his mother's death. ...

The Death of Abraham

^{Gen 25:7} And these are the days of the years of Abraham's life which he lived, a hundred seventy-five years. ^{Gen 25:8} And Abraham gave up the spirit, and died in a good old age, an old man, and full of years, and was gathered to his people. ^{Gen 25:9} And Isaac and Ishmael his sons buried him in the cave of Machpelah, in the field of Ephron the son of Zohar the Hittite, which is before Mamre, ^{Gen 25:10} the field which Abraham purchased from the sons of Heth. There Abraham was buried, and Sarah his wife.

^{Gen 25:11} And it came to pass after the death of Abraham, that God blessed Isaac his son. ... ^{25:20} And Isaac was forty years old when he took Rebekah, the daughter of Bethuel the Syrian of Paddan-aram, the sister of Laban the Syrian, to be his wife.

Jacob and Esau

^{25:21} And Isaac entreated Jehovah for his wife, because she was barren. And Jehovah was entreated by him, and Rebekah his wife conceived. ^{25:22} And the children struggled together within her. And she said, If it be so, why do I live? And she went to inquire of Jehovah.

^{25:23} And Jehovah said to her, Two nations are in thy womb, and two peoples shall be separated from thy bowels. And the one people shall be stronger than the other people. And the elder shall serve the younger. ^{25:24} And when her days to be delivered were fulfilled, behold, there were twins in her womb. ... ^{25:26} ... And Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them.

^{25:27} And the boys grew. And Esau was a skilful hunter, a man of the field. And Jacob was a quiet man, dwelling in tents. ^{25:28} Now Isaac loved Esau, because he ate of his venison. And Rebekah loved Jacob.

^{25:29} And Jacob boiled pottage. And Esau came in from the field, and he was faint. ^{25:30} And Esau said to Jacob, Feed me, I pray thee, with that same red *pottage*, for I am faint. Therefore his name was called Edom. ^{25:31} And Jacob said, First sell me thy birthright. ^{25:32} And Esau said, Behold, I am about to die, and what profit shall the birthright do to me? ^{25:33} And Jacob said, Swear to me first. And he swore to him, and he sold his birthright to Jacob. ^{25:34} And Jacob gave Esau bread and pottage of lentils. And he ate and drank, and rose up, and went his way. So Esau despised his birthright. ... ^{26:34} And when Esau was forty years old he took to wife Judith the daughter of Beeri the Hittite, and Basemath the daughter of Elon the Hittite. ^{26:35} And they were a bitterness of spirit to Isaac and to Rebekah.

Jacob Deceives his Father

^{27:1} And it came to pass, that when Isaac was old, and his eyes were dim, so that he could not see, he called Esau his elder son, and said to him, My son. And he said to him, Here I am. ^{27:2} And he said, Behold now, I am old, I know not the day of my death. ^{27:3} Now therefore take, I pray thee, thy weapons, thy quiver and thy bow, and go out to the field, and take venison for me. ^{27:4} And make savory food for me, such as I love, and bring it to me, that I may eat, that my soul may bless thee before I die. ^{27:5} And Rebekah heard when Isaac spoke to Esau his son. And Esau went to the field to hunt for venison, and to bring it.

^{27:6} And Rebekah spoke to Jacob her son, saying, Behold, I heard thy father speak to Esau thy brother, saying, ^{27:7} Bring venison for me, and make savory food for me, that I may eat, and bless thee before Jehovah before my death. ^{27:8} Now therefore, my son, obey my voice according to that which I command thee. ^{27:9} Go now to the flock, and fetch me two good kids of the goats from there. And I will make them savory food for thy father, such as he loves. ^{27:10} And thou shall bring it to thy father, that he may eat, so that he may bless thee before his death.

^{27:11} And Jacob said to Rebekah his mother, Behold, Esau my brother is a hairy man, and I am a smooth man. ^{27:12} My father will perhaps feel me, and I shall seem to him as a deceiver. And I shall bring a curse upon me, and not a blessing. ^{27:13} And his mother said to him, Upon me be thy curse, my son. Only obey my voice, and go fetch them for me.

^{27:14} And he went, and fetched, and brought them to his mother. And his mother made savory food, such as his father loved. ^{27:15} And Rebekah took the goodly garments of Esau her elder son, which were with her in the house, and put them upon Jacob her younger son. ^{27:16} And she put the skins of the kids of the goats upon his hands, and upon the smooth of his neck. ^{27:17} And she gave the savory food and the bread, which she had prepared, into the hand of her son Jacob.

^{27:18} And he came to his father, and said, My father. And he said, Here I am. Who are thou, my son? ^{27:19} And Jacob said to his father, I am Esau thy firstborn. I have done according as thou bade me. Arise, I pray thee, sit and eat of my venison, that thy soul may bless me. ^{27:20} And Isaac said to his son, How is it that thou have found it so quickly, my son? And he said, Because Jehovah thy God sent me good speed. ^{27:21} And Isaac said to Jacob, Come near, I pray thee, that I may feel thee, my son, whether thou be my very son Esau or not.

^{27:22} And Jacob went near to Isaac his father. And he felt him, and said, The voice is Jacob's voice, but the hands are the hands of Esau. ^{27:23} And he did not discern him, because his hands were hairy as his brother Esau's hands. So he blessed him.

^{27:24} And he said, Are thou my very son Esau? And he said, I am. ^{27:25} And he said, Bring it near to me, and I will eat of my son's venison, that my soul may bless thee. And he brought it near to him, and he ate. And he brought wine to him, and he drank.

^{27:26} And his father Isaac said to him, Come near now, and kiss me, my son. ^{27:27} And he came near, and kissed him. And he smelled the smell of his raiment, and blessed him, and said, See, the smell of my son is as the smell of a field that Jehovah has blessed.

^{27:28} And God give thee of the dew of heaven, and of the fatness of the earth, and plenty of grain and new wine. ^{27:29} Let peoples serve thee, and nations bow down to thee. Be lord over thy brothers, and let thy mother's sons bow down to thee. Cursed be he who curses thee, and blessed be he who blesses thee.

^{27:30} And it came to pass, as soon as Isaac had made an end of blessing Jacob, and Jacob was yet scarcely gone out from the presence of Isaac his father, that Esau his brother came in from his hunting. ^{27:31} And he also made savory food, and brought it to his father. And he said to his father, Let my father arise, and eat of his son's venison, that thy soul may bless me.

^{27:32} And Isaac his father said to him, Who are thou? And he said, I am thy son, thy firstborn, Esau. ^{27:33} And Isaac trembled very exceedingly, and said, Who then is he who has taken venison, and brought it me, and I have eaten of all before thou came, and have blessed him? Yea, he shall be blessed.

^{27:34} When Esau heard the words of his father, he cried with an exceedingly great and bitter cry, and said to his father, Bless me, even me also, O my father. ^{27:35} And he said, Thy brother came with guile, and has taken away thy blessing. ... And what then shall I do for thee, my son? ... ^{27:38} And Esau said to his father, Have thou but one blessing, my father? Bless me, even me also, O my father. And Esau lifted up his voice, and wept.

^{27:39} And Isaac his father answered and said to him, Behold, of the fatness of the earth shall be thy dwelling, and of the dew of heaven from above. ^{27:40} And by thy sword thou shall live, and thou shall serve thy brother. And it shall come to pass, when thou shall break loose, that thou shall shake his yoke from off thy neck.

^{27:41} And Esau hated Jacob because of the blessing with which his father blessed him. And Esau said in his heart, The days of mourning for my father are at hand. Then I will kill my brother Jacob.

^{27:42} And the words of Esau her elder son were told to Rebekah. And she sent and called Jacob her younger son, and said to him, Behold, thy brother Esau comforts himself concerning thee, to kill thee. ^{27:43} Now therefore, my son, obey my voice, and arise, flee thou to Laban my brother to Haran. ...

Jacob Departs to His Mother's Homeland

^{27:46} And Rebekah said to Isaac, I am weary of my life because of the daughters of Heth. If Jacob takes a wife of the daughters of Heth, such as these, of the daughters of the land, what good shall my life do me?

^{28:1} And Isaac called Jacob, and blessed him, and ordered him, and said to him, Thou shall not take a wife of the daughters of Canaan. ^{28:2} Arise, go to Paddan-aram, to the house of Bethuel thy mother's father, and take thee a wife from there of the daughters of Laban thy mother's brother. ^{28:3} And God Almighty bless thee, and make thee fruitful, and multiply thee, that thou may be a company of peoples, ^{28:4} and give thee the blessing of Abraham, to thee, and to thy seed with thee, that thou may inherit the land of thy sojourning, which God gave to Abraham. ^{28:5} And Isaac sent Jacob away. And he went to Paddan-aram to Laban, son of Bethuel the Syrian, the brother of Rebekah, Jacob's and Esau's mother. ...

Jacob's Dream and His Vow to God

^{28:10} And Jacob went out from Beersheba, and went toward Haran. ^{28:11} And he touched upon a certain place, and tarried there all night, because the sun was set. And he took one of the stones of the place, and put it under his head, and lay down in that place to sleep.

^{28:12} And he dreamed, and, behold, a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven. And, behold, the agents of God ascending and descending on it. ^{28:13} And, behold, Jehovah stood above it, and said, I am Jehovah, the God of Abraham thy father, and the God of Isaac. The land on which thou lie, to thee I will give it, and to thy seed. ^{28:14} And thy seed shall be as the dust of the earth, and thou shall spread abroad to the west, and to the east, and to the north, and to the south. And in thee and in thy seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed. ^{28:15} And, behold, I am with thee, and will keep thee wherever thou go, and will bring thee again into this land. For I will not leave thee, until I have done that which I have spoken to thee of.

^{28:16} And Jacob awoke out of his sleep, and he said, Surely Jehovah is in this place, and I did not know it. ^{28:17} And he was afraid, and said, How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.

28:18 And Jacob rose up early in the morning, and took the stone that he had put under his head, and set it up for a pillar, and poured oil upon the top of it. 28:19 And he called the name of that place Bethel, but the name of the city was Luz at first.

28:20 And Jacob vowed a vow, saying, If God will be with me, and will keep me in this way that I go, and will give me bread to eat, and raiment to put on, 28:21 so that I come again to my father's house in peace, and Jehovah will be my God, 28:22 then this stone, which I have set up for a pillar, shall be God's house. And of all that thou shall give me I will surely give the tenth to thee.

Jacob Marries Leah and Rachel

29:1 Then Jacob went on his journey, and came to the land of the sons of the east. ... 29:4 And Jacob said to them, My brothers, where are ye from? And they said, We are of Haran. 29:5 And he said to them, Do ye know Laban the son of Nahor? And they said, We know him. 29:6 And he said to them, Is it well with him? And they said, It is well. And, behold, Rachel his daughter comes with the sheep. ...

29:9 While he was yet speaking with them, Rachel came with her father's sheep, for she kept them. 29:10 And it came to pass, when Jacob saw Rachel the daughter of Laban his mother's brother, and the sheep of Laban his mother's brother, that Jacob went near, and rolled the stone from the well's mouth, and watered the flock of Laban his mother's brother.

29:11 And Jacob kissed Rachel, and lifted up his voice, and wept. 29:12 And Jacob told Rachel that he was her father's brother, and that he was Rebekah's son. And she ran and told her father.

29:13 And it came to pass, when Laban heard the news of Jacob his sister's son, that he ran to meet him, and embraced him, and kissed him, and brought him to his house. And he told Laban all these things. 29:14 And Laban said to him, Surely thou are my bone and my flesh. And he abode with him the space of a month. 29:15 And Laban said to Jacob, Because thou are my brother, should thou therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall thy wages be?

29:16 And Laban had two daughters. The name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. 29:17 And Leah's eyes were weak, but Rachel was beautiful and well favored.

29:18 And Jacob loved Rachel, and he said, I will serve thee seven years for Rachel thy younger daughter. 29:19 And Laban

said, It is better that I give her to thee, than that I should give her to another man. Abide with me. ^{29:20} And Jacob served seven years for Rachel. And they seemed to him but a few days, for the love he had for her. ^{29:21} And Jacob said to Laban, Give me my wife, for my days are fulfilled, that I may go in to her.

^{29:22} And Laban gathered together all the men of the place, and made a feast. ^{29:23} And it came to pass in the evening, that he took Leah his daughter, and brought her to him. And he went in to her. ^{29:24} And Laban gave Zilpah his handmaid to his daughter Leah for a handmaid. ^{29:25} And it came to pass in the morning that, behold, it was Leah. And he said to Laban, What is this thou have done to me? Did I not serve with thee for Rachel? Why then have thou beguiled me?

^{29:26} And Laban said, It is not so done in our place, to give the younger before the firstborn. ^{29:27} Fulfill the week of this one, and we will give thee the other also for the service which thou shall serve with me yet seven other years. ^{29:28} And Jacob did so, and fulfilled her week. And he gave him Rachel his daughter to wife. ^{29:29} And Laban gave to Rachel, his daughter, Bilhah his handmaid to be her handmaid. ^{29:30} And he went in to Rachel, and also he loved Rachel more than Leah, and served with him yet seven other years.

Jacob's Children

^{29:31} And Jehovah saw that Leah was regarded inferior, and he opened her womb, but Rachel was barren. ^{29:32} And Leah conceived, and bore a son, and she called his name Reuben. For she said, Because Jehovah has looked upon my affliction, for now my husband will love me. ^{29:33} And she conceived again, and bore a son, and said, Because Jehovah has heard that I am regarded inferior, he has therefore given me this *son* also. And she called his name Simeon. ^{29:34} And she conceived again, and bore a son, and said, Now this time my husband will be joined to me, because I have borne him three sons. Therefore his name was called Levi. ^{29:35} And she conceived again, and bore a son. And she said, This time I will praise Jehovah. Therefore she called his name Judah. And she left off bearing.

^{30:1} And when Rachel saw that she bore Jacob no sons, Rachel envied her sister, and she said to Jacob, Give me sons, or else I die. ^{30:2} And Jacob's anger was kindled against Rachel, and he said, Am I in God's stead, who has withheld from thee the fruit of the womb? ^{30:3} And she said, Behold, my maid Bilhah I also may obtain sons by her. ^{30:4} And she gave him Bilhah

her handmaid to wife 30:5 And Bilhah conceived, and bore Jacob a son. 30:6 And Rachel said, God has judged me, and has also heard my voice, and has given me a son. Therefore she called his name Dan. 30:7 And Bilhah Rachel's handmaid conceived again, and bore Jacob a second son. 30:8 And Rachel said, With mighty wrestlings have I wrestled with my sister, and have prevailed. And she called his name Naphtali.

30:9 When Leah saw that she had left off bearing, she took Zilpah her handmaid, and gave her to Jacob to wife. 30:10 And Zilpah Leah's handmaid bore Jacob a son. 30:11 And Leah said, Fortunate! And she called his name Gad. 30:12 And Zilpah Leah's handmaid bore Jacob a second son. 30:13 And Leah said, Happy am I! For the daughters will call me happy. And she called his name Asher. 30:19 And Leah conceived again, and bore a sixth son to Jacob. 30:20 And Leah said, God has endowed me with a good dowry. Now my husband will dwell with me, because I have borne him six sons. And she called his name Zebulun. 30:21 And afterwards she bore a daughter, and called her name Dinah.

30:22 And God remembered Rachel. And God hearkened to her, and opened her womb. 30:23 And she conceived, and bore a son, and said, God has taken away my reproach. 30:24 And she called his name Joseph, saying, Jehovah adds another son to me.

Jacob Works for Profit Sharing

30:25 And it came to pass, when Rachel had borne Joseph, that Jacob said to Laban, Send me away, that I may go to my own place, and to my country. 30:26 Give me my wives and my children for whom I have served thee, and let me go, for thou know my service with which I have served thee. 30:27 And Laban said to him, If now I have found favor in thine eyes, *tarry, for* I have learned by experience that Jehovah has blessed me for thy sake. 30:28 And he said, Appoint for me thy wages, and I will give it. 30:29 And he said to him, Thou know how I have served thee, and how thy cattle have fared with me. 30:30 For it was little which thou had before I came, and it has increased to a multitude, and Jehovah has blessed thee wherever I turned. And now when shall I provide for my own house also?

30:31 And he said, What shall I give thee? And Jacob said, Thou shall not give me anything. If thou wilt do this thing for me, I will again feed thy flock and keep it. 30:32 I will pass through all thy flock today, removing from there every speckled and spotted

one, and every black one among the sheep, and the spotted and speckled among the goats, and *of such* shall be my hire. ^{30:33} So shall my righteousness answer for me after this, when thou shalt come concerning my hire that is before thee. Every one that is not speckled and spotted among the goats, and black among the sheep, that *is* with me, shall be considered stolen. ^{30:34} And Laban said, Behold, O that it might be according to thy word.

^{30:43} And the man increased exceedingly, and had large flocks, and maid-servants and men-servants, and camels and donkeys. ^{31:1} And he heard the words of Laban's sons, saying, Jacob has taken away all that was our father's, and he has gotten all this glory of that which was our father's. ^{31:2} And Jacob beheld the countenance of Laban, and, behold, it was not toward him as beforetime.

Jacob Departs for Home

^{31:3} And Jehovah said to Jacob, Return to the land of thy fathers, and to thy kindred, and I will be with thee.

^{31:4} And Jacob sent and called Rachel and Leah to the field to his flock, ^{31:5} and said to them, I see your father's countenance, that it is not toward me as beforetime, but the God of my father has been with me. ^{31:6} And ye know that with all my power I have served your father. ... ^{31:7} And your father has deceived me, and changed my wages ten times, but God did not allow him to hurt me. ... ^{31:11} And the agent of God said to me in the dream, Jacob. And I said, Here I am. ^{31:12} And he said ^{31:13} I am the God of Bethel, where thou anointed a pillar, where thou vowed a vow to me. Now arise, get thee out from this land, and return to the land of thy nativity.

^{31:14} And Rachel and Leah answered and said to him, Is there yet any portion or inheritance for us in our father's house? ... ^{31:16} For all the riches which God has taken away from our father, that is ours and our children's. Now then, whatever God has said to thee, do.

The Journey

^{31:17} Then Jacob rose up, and set his sons and his wives upon the camels. ^{31:18} And he carried away all his cattle, and all his substance which he had gathered, the cattle of his getting, which he had gathered in Paddan-aram, to go to Isaac his father to the land of Canaan.

31:19 Now Laban was gone to shear his sheep, and Rachel stole the teraphim that were her father's. 31:20 And Jacob slipped away unawares to Laban the Syrian, in that he did not tell him that he fled. 31:21 So he fled with all that he had. And he rose up, and passed over the River, and set his face toward the mountain of Gilead. 31:22 And it was told Laban on the third day that Jacob had fled. 31:23 And he took his brothers with him, and pursued after him seven days' journey, and he overtook him in the mountain of Gilead.

31:24 And God came to Laban the Syrian in a dream of the night, and said to him, Take heed to thyself that thou not speak to Jacob either good or bad.

31:25 And Laban came up with Jacob. Now Jacob had pitched his tent in the mountain. And Laban encamped with his brothers in the mountain of Gilead. 31:26 And Laban said to Jacob, What have thou done, that thou have slipped away unawares to me, and carried away my daughters ...? 31:27 Why did thou flee secretly, and creep away from me, and did not tell me, that I might have sent thee away with mirth and with songs, with tambourine and with harp, 31:28 and did not allow me to kiss my sons and my daughters? Now thou have done foolishly.

31:29 It is in the power of my hand to do you harm, but the God of your father spoke to me last night, saying, Take heed to thyself that thou not speak to Jacob either good or bad. 31:30 And now, *though* thou have certainly gone, because thou have been very desirous for thy father's house, *yet* why have thou stolen my gods?

31:31 And Jacob answered and said to Laban, Because I was afraid, for I said, Lest thou should take thy daughters from me by force. 31:32 With whomever thou find thy gods, he shall not live. Before our brothers discern thou what is thine with me, and take it to thee. For Jacob did not know that Rachel had stolen them.

31:33 And Laban went into Jacob's tent, and into Leah's tent, and into the tent of the two maid-servants, but he did not find them. And he went out of Leah's tent, and entered into Rachel's tent. 31:34 Now Rachel had taken the teraphim, and put them in the camel's saddle, and sat upon them. And Laban felt around all the tent, but did not find them. 31:35 And she said to her father, Let not my lord be angry that I cannot rise up before thee, for the manner of women is upon me. And he searched, but did not find the teraphim.

31:36 And Jacob was angry, and chided with Laban. And Jacob answered and said to Laban, What is my trespass? What is my

sin that thou have hotly pursued after me? ^{31:37} Whereas thou have felt around all my stuff, what have thou found of all thy household stuff? Set it here before my brothers and thy brothers, that they may judge between us two. ...

^{31:41} These twenty years I have been in thy house. I served thee fourteen years for thy two daughters, and six years for thy flock. And thou have changed my wages ten times. ^{31:42} Unless the God of my father, the God of Abraham, and the fear of Isaac, had been with me, surely now thou would have sent me away empty. God has seen my affliction and the labor of my hands, and rebuked thee last night.

^{31:43} And Laban answered and said to Jacob, The daughters are my daughters, and the sons are my sons, and the flocks are my flocks, and all that thou see is mine. And what can I do this day to these my daughters, or to their sons whom they have borne? ^{31:44} And now come, let us make a covenant, I and thou, and let it be for a witness between me and thee.

^{31:45} And Jacob took a stone, and set it up for a pillar. ^{31:46} And Jacob said to his brothers, Gather stones, and they took stones, and made a heap. And they ate there by the heap. ... ^{31:52} This heap is witness, and the pillar is witness, that I will not pass over this heap to thee, and that thou shall not pass over this heap and this pillar to me, for harm. ^{31:53} The God of Abraham, and the God of Nahor, the God of their father, judge between us. And Jacob swore by the fear of his father Isaac.

^{31:54} And Jacob offered a sacrifice on the mountain, and called his brothers to eat bread. And they ate bread, and tarried all night on the mountain. ^{31:55} And early in the morning Laban rose up, and kissed his sons and his daughters, and blessed them. And Laban departed and returned to his place.

Jacob and Esau Meet Again

^{32:1} And Jacob went on his way, and the agents of God met him. ^{32:2} And Jacob said when he saw them, This is God's camp.

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^{32:3} And Jacob sent messengers before him to Esau his brother ... ^{32:4} And he commanded them, saying, Thus shall ye say to my lord Esau, Thus says thy servant Jacob, I have sojourned with Laban, and stayed until now. ^{32:5} And I have oxen, and donkeys, flocks, and men-servants, and maid-servants. And I have sent to tell my lord, that I may find favor in thy sight.

^{32:6} And the messengers returned to Jacob, saying, We came to thy brother Esau, and moreover he comes to meet thee, and

four hundred men with him. ^{32:7} Then Jacob was greatly afraid and was distressed. And he divided the people that were with him, and the flocks, and the herds, and the camels, into two companies. ^{32:8} And he said, If Esau comes to the one company, and smites it, then the company which is left shall escape.

^{32:9} And Jacob said, O God of my father Abraham, and God of my father Isaac, O Jehovah, who said to me, Return to thy country, and to thy kindred, and I will do thee good, ^{32:10} I am not worthy of the least of all the loving kindnesses, and of all the truth, which thou have shown to thy servant, for with my staff I passed over this Jordan, and now I have become two companies. ^{32:11} Deliver me, I pray thee, from the hand of my brother, from the hand of Esau. For I fear him, lest he comes and smites me, the mother with the sons. ^{32:12} And thou said, I will surely do thee good, and make thy seed as the sand of the sea, which cannot be numbered for multitude.

^{32:13} And he lodged there that night, and took of that which he had with him a present for Esau his brother: ^{32:14} two hundred she-goats and twenty he-goats, two hundred ewes and twenty rams, ^{32:15} thirty milk camels and their colts, forty cows and ten bulls, twenty she-donkeys and ten foals. ^{32:16} And he delivered them into the hand of his servants, every herd by itself, and said to his servants, Pass over before me, and put a space between herd and herd.

^{32:17} And he commanded the foremost, saying, When Esau my brother meets thee, and asks thee, saying, Whose are thou? And where do thou go? And whose are these before thee? ^{32:18} Then thou shall say, Thy servant Jacob's. It is a present sent to my lord Esau. And, behold, he also is behind us. ^{32:19} And he commanded also the second, and the third, and all who followed the herds, saying, On this manner shall ye speak to Esau when ye find him, ^{32:20} and ye shall say, Moreover, behold, thy servant Jacob is behind us. For he said, I will appease him with the present that goes before me, and afterward I will see his face. Perhaps he will accept me. ^{32:21} So the present passed over before him, and he himself lodged that night in the company.

^{32:22} And he rose up that night, and took his two wives, and his two handmaids, and his eleven sons, and passed over the ford of the Jabbok. ^{32:23} And he took them, and sent them over the stream, and sent over that which he had. ^{32:24} And Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him until the breaking of the day. ^{32:25} And when he saw that he did not prevail against him, he touched the hollow of his thigh, and the hollow of Jacob's thigh was strained as he wrestled with him. ... ^{32:28} And he said, Thy

name shall no more be called Jacob, but Israel, for thou have striven with God and with men, and have prevailed. ... 32:30 And Jacob called the name of the place Peniel, for, I have seen God face to face, and my life is preserved. 32:31 And the sun rose upon him as he passed over Penuel *Peniel*, and he limped upon his thigh. ...

33:1 And Jacob lifted up his eyes, and looked, and, behold, Esau was coming, and four hundred men with him. And he divided the children to Leah, and to Rachel, and to the two handmaids. ... 33:3 And he himself passed over before them, and bowed himself to the ground seven times, until he came near to his brother.

33:4 And Esau ran to meet him, and embraced him, and fell on his neck, and kissed him, and they wept. 33:5 And he lifted up his eyes, and saw the women and the children, and said, Who are these with thee? And he said, The children whom God has graciously given thy servant.

33:6 Then the handmaids came near, they and their children, and they bowed themselves. 33:7 And Leah also and her children came near, and bowed themselves. And afterward Joseph came near and Rachel, and they bowed themselves.

33:8 And he said, What do thou mean by all this company which I met? And he said, To find favor in the sight of my lord. 33:9 And Esau said, I have enough, my brother, let that which thou have be thine. 33:10 And Jacob said, No, I pray thee, if now I have found favor in thy sight, then receive my present at my hand, inasmuch as I have seen thy face, as any man would see the face of God, and thou were pleased with me. 33:11 Take, I pray thee, my gift that is brought to thee, because God has dealt graciously with me, and because I have enough. And he urged him, and he took it. ...

35:9 And God appeared to Jacob again, when he came from Paddan-aram, and blessed him. 35:10 And God said to him, Thy name is Jacob. Thy name shall not be called any more Jacob, but Israel shall be thy name. And he called his name Israel. ... 35:12 And the land which I gave to Abraham and Isaac, I will give it to thee, and I will give the land to thy seed after thee. 35:13 And God went up from him in the place where he spoke with him. ...

35:16 And they journeyed from Bethel. And there was still some distance to come to Ephrath, and Rachel travailed, and she had hard labor. 35:17 And it came to pass, when she was in hard labor, that the midwife said to her, Fear not, for now thou shall have another son. 35:18 And it came to pass, as her soul was departing

(for she died), that she called his name Ben-oni, but his father called him Benjamin. ^{35:19} And Rachel died, and was buried on the way to Ephrath (the same is Bethlehem). ...

^{35:22} ... Now the sons of Jacob were twelve. ^{35:23} ... Reuben, Jacob's firstborn, and Simeon, and Levi, and Judah, and Issachar, and Zebulun. ^{35:24} ... Joseph and Benjamin. ^{35:25} ... Dan and Naphtali. ^{35:26} ... Gad and Asher. These are the sons of Jacob, who were born to him in Paddan-aram.

The Death of Isaac

^{35:27} And Jacob came to Isaac his father to Mamre, to Kiriath-arba (the same is Hebron), where Abraham and Isaac sojourned. ^{35:28} And the days of Isaac were a hundred and eighty years. ^{35:29} And Isaac gave up the spirit, and died, and was gathered to his people, old and full of days. And Esau and Jacob his sons buried him. ... ^{37:1} And Jacob dwelt in the land of his father's sojourning, in the land of Canaan.

Joseph's Dreams

^{37:2} These are the generations of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was feeding the flock with his brothers. ... ^{37:3} Now Israel loved Joseph more than all his sons, because he was the son of his old age. And he made for him a coat of many colors. ^{37:4} And his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers. And they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him.

^{37:5} And Joseph dreamed a dream, and he told it to his brothers, and they hated him yet the more. ^{37:6} And he said to them, Hear, I pray you, this dream which I have dreamed. ^{37:7} For, behold, we were binding sheaves in the field, and, lo, my sheaf arose, and also stood upright. And, behold, your sheaves came round about, and made obeisance to my sheaf.

^{37:8} And his brothers said to him, Shall thou indeed reign over us? Or shall thou indeed have dominion over us? And they hated him yet the more for his dreams, and for his words.

^{37:9} And he dreamed yet another dream, and told it to his brothers. And said, Behold, I have dreamed a dream again. And, behold, the sun and the moon and eleven stars made obeisance to me. ^{37:10} And he told it to his father, and to his brothers. And his father rebuked him, and said to him, What is this dream that thou have dreamed? Shall I and thy mother and thy brothers indeed come to bow down ourselves to thee to the earth? ^{37:11}

And his brothers envied him, but his father kept the saying in mind.

Joseph Sold into Slavery

^{37:12} And his brothers went to feed their father's flock in Shechem. ^{37:13} And Israel said to Joseph, Are not thy brothers feeding the flock in Shechem? Come, and I will send thee to them. And he said to him, Here I am. ^{37:14} And he said to him, Go now, see whether it is well with thy brothers, and well with the flock, and bring me word again. ...

^{37:18} And they saw him afar off. And before he came near to them, they conspired against him to kill him. ^{37:19} And they said one to another, Behold, this dreamer comes. ^{37:20} Come now therefore, and let us kill him, and cast him into one of the pits. And we will say, An evil beast has devoured him. And we shall see what will become of his dreams.

^{37:21} And Reuben heard it, and delivered him out of their hand, and said, Let us not take his life. ^{37:22} And Reuben said to them, Shed no blood. Cast him into this pit that is in the wilderness, but lay no hand upon him, that he might deliver him out of their hand, to restore him to his father.

^{37:23} And it came to pass, when Joseph came to his brothers, that they stripped Joseph of his coat, the coat of many colors that was on him, ^{37:24} and they took him, and cast him into the pit. And the pit was empty; there was no water in it.

^{37:25} And they sat down to eat bread. And they lifted up their eyes and looked, and, behold, a caravan of Ishmaelites was coming from Gilead, with their camels bearing spicery and balm and myrrh, going to carry it down to Egypt. ^{37:26} And Judah said to his brothers, What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? ^{37:27} Come, and let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and let not our hand be upon him, for he is our brother, our flesh. And his brothers hearkened to him. ^{37:28} And there passed by Midianites, merchantmen, and they drew and lifted Joseph up out of the pit, and sold Joseph to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they brought Joseph into Egypt.

^{37:29} And Reuben returned to the pit, and, behold, Joseph was not in the pit. And he tore his clothes, ^{37:30} and he returned to his brothers, and said, The child is not, and I, where shall I go?

^{37:31} And they took Joseph's coat, and killed a he-goat, and dipped the coat in the blood. ^{37:32} And they sent the coat of many colors, and they brought it to their father, and said, We have found this. Know now whether it is thy son's coat or not. ^{37:33} And

he knew it, and said, It is my son's coat. An evil beast has devoured him; Joseph is without doubt torn in pieces.

^{37:34} And Jacob tore his garments, and put sackcloth upon his loins, and mourned for his son many days. ^{37:35} And all his sons and all his daughters rose up to comfort him, but he refused to be comforted, and he said, For I will go down to Sheol to my son mourning. And his father wept for him. ...

Joseph Serves in the Captain's House

^{39:1} And Joseph was brought down to Egypt. And Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh's, the captain of the guard, an Egyptian, bought him ... ^{39:2} And Jehovah was with Joseph. And he was a man who succeeds. And he was in the house of his master the Egyptian. ^{39:3} And his master saw that Jehovah was with him, and that Jehovah made all that he did to prosper in his hand. ^{39:4} And Joseph found favor in his sight, and he ministered to him. And he made him overseer over his house, and all that he had he put into his hand.

^{39:5} And it came to pass from the time that he made him overseer in his house, and over all that he had, that Jehovah blessed the Egyptian's house for Joseph's sake. And the blessing of Jehovah was upon all that he had, in the house and in the field. ^{39:6} And he left all that he had in Joseph's hand, and he knew nothing *that was* with him, save the bread which he ate. And Joseph was comely, and well-favored.

^{39:7} And it came to pass, after these things, that his master's wife cast her eyes upon Joseph, and she said, Lie with me. ^{39:8} But he refused, and said to his master's wife ... ^{39:9} ... How then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God? ^{39:10} And it came to pass, as she spoke to Joseph day by day, that he did not hearken to her, to lie by her, *or* to be with her. ^{39:11} And it came to pass, about this time, that he went into the house to do his work, and there was none of the men of the house there inside. ^{39:12} And she caught him by his garment, saying, Lie with me. And he left his garment in her hand, and fled, and got out.

^{39:13} And it came to pass, when she saw that he had left his garment in her hand, and was fled forth, ^{39:14} that she called to the men of her house, and spoke to them, saying, See, he has brought in a Hebrew to us to mock us. He came in to me to lie with me, and I cried with a loud voice. ^{39:15} And it came to pass, when he heard that I lifted up my voice and cried, that he left his garment by me, and fled, and got out. ^{39:16} And she laid up his garment by her until his master came home.

^{39:17} And she spoke to him according to these words, saying, The Hebrew servant, whom thou have brought to us, came in to me to mock me. ^{39:18} And it came to pass, as I lifted up my voice and cried, that he left his garment by me, and fled out.

^{39:19} And it came to pass, when his master heard the words of his wife, which she spoke to him, saying, After this manner did thy servant to me, that his wrath was kindled. ^{39:20} And Joseph's master took him, and put him into the prison, the place where the king's prisoners were bound. And he was there in the prison.

Joseph in Prison

^{39:21} But Jehovah was with Joseph, and showed kindness to him, and gave him favor in the sight of the keeper of the prison. ^{39:22} And the keeper of the prison committed to Joseph's hand all the prisoners who were in the prison. And whatever they did there, he was the doer of it. ^{39:23} The keeper of the prison did not look to anything that was under his hand, because Jehovah was with him, and that which he did, Jehovah made it prosper.

^{40:1} And it came to pass after these things, that the butler of the king of Egypt, and his baker, offended their lord the king of Egypt. ^{40:2} And Pharaoh was angry against his two officers ... ^{40:3} And he put them in ward in the house of the captain of the guard, into the prison, the place where Joseph was bound. ^{40:4} And the captain of the guard charged Joseph with them, and he ministered to them. And they continued a season in ward.

^{40:5} And they dreamed a dream both of them, each man his dream, in one night ... ^{40:6} And Joseph came in to them in the morning, and saw them, and, behold, they were sad. ^{40:7} And he asked Pharaoh's officers ... Why do ye look so sad today? ^{40:8} And they said to him, We have dreamed a dream, and there is no man who can interpret it. And Joseph said to them, Do not interpretations belong to God? Tell it to me, I pray you.

^{40:9} And the chief butler told his dream to Joseph, and said to him, In my dream, behold, a vine was before me. ^{40:10} And in the vine were three branches. And it was as though it budded, *and* its blossoms shot forth, *and* the clusters of it brought forth ripe grapes. ^{40:11} And Pharaoh's cup was in my hand, and I took the grapes, and pressed them into Pharaoh's cup, and I gave the cup into Pharaoh's hand.

^{40:12} And Joseph said to him, This is the interpretation of it: The three branches are three days. ^{40:13} Within yet three days Pharaoh shall lift up thy head, and restore thee to thine office. And

thou shall give Pharaoh's cup into his hand, after the former manner when thou was his butler.

40:14 But have me in thy remembrance when it shall be well with thee, and show kindness, I pray thee, to me, and make mention of me to Pharaoh, and bring me out of this house. 40:15 For indeed I was stolen away out of the land of the Hebrews, and here also I have done nothing that they should put me into the dungeon.

40:16 When the chief baker saw that the interpretation was good, he said to Joseph, I also was in my dream, and, behold, three baskets of white bread were on my head. 40:17 And in the uppermost basket there was of all manner of baked food for Pharaoh, and the birds ate them out of the basket upon my head.

40:18 And Joseph answered and said, This is the interpretation of it: The three baskets are three days. 40:19 Within yet three days Pharaoh ... shall hang thee on a tree

40:20 And it came to pass the third day, which was Pharaoh's birthday, that he made a feast to all his servants. And he lifted up the head of the chief butler and the head of the chief baker among his servants. 40:21 And he restored the chief butler to his butlership again, and he gave the cup into Pharaoh's hand, 40:22 but he hanged the chief baker, as Joseph had interpreted to them. 40:23 Yet the chief butler did not remember Joseph, but forgot him.

Joseph Interprets Pharaoh's Dreams

41:1 And it came to pass at the end of two full years, that Pharaoh dreamed. And, behold, he stood by the river. 41:2 And, behold, there came up out of the river seven cows, well-favored and fat-fleshed, and they fed in the reed grass. 41:3 And, behold, seven other cows came up after them out of the river, ill-favored and lean-fleshed, and stood by the other cows upon the brink of the river. 41:4 And the ill-favored and lean-fleshed cows ate up the seven well-favored and fat cows. So Pharaoh awoke.

41:5 And he slept and dreamed a second time. And, behold, seven ears of grain came up upon one stalk, fat and good. 41:6 And, behold, seven ears, thin and blasted with the east wind, sprung up after them. 41:7 And the thin ears swallowed up the seven fat and full ears. And Pharaoh awoke, and, behold, it was a dream.

41:8 And it came to pass in the morning, that his spirit was troubled, and he sent and called for all the magicians of Egypt, and

all the wise men of it. And Pharaoh told them his dream, but there was no man who could interpret them to Pharaoh.

41:9 Then the chief butler spoke to Pharaoh, saying, I do remember my faults this day. 41:10 Pharaoh was angry with his servants, and put me in ward in the house of the captain of the guard, me and the chief baker. 41:11 And we dreamed a dream in one night ...

41:12 And there was a young man with us there, a Hebrew, servant to the captain of the guard, and we told him. And he interpreted to us our dreams. He interpreted to each man according to his dream. 41:13 And it came to pass, as he interpreted to us, so it was; he restored me to my office, and he hanged him.

41:14 Then Pharaoh sent and called Joseph. And they brought him hastily out of the dungeon, and he shaved himself, and changed his raiment, and came in to Pharaoh. 41:15 And Pharaoh said to Joseph, I have dreamed a dream, and there is no man who can interpret it. And I have heard say of thee, that when thou hear a dream thou can interpret it.

41:16 And Joseph answered Pharaoh, saying, It is not in me. God will give Pharaoh an answer of peace.

41:17 And Pharaoh spoke to Joseph, In my dream, behold, I stood upon the brink of the river. 41:18 And, behold, there came up out of the river seven cows, fat-fleshed and well-favored, and they fed in the reed grass. 41:19 And, behold, seven other cows came up after them, poor and very ill-favored and lean-fleshed, such as I never saw in all the land of Egypt for badness. 41:20 And the lean and ill-favored cows ate up the first seven fat cows. 41:21 And when they had eaten them up, it could not be known that they had eaten them, but they were still ill-favored, as at the beginning. So I awoke.

41:22 And I saw in my dream, and, behold, seven ears came up upon one stalk, full and good. 41:23 And, behold, seven ears, withered, thin, *and* blasted with the east wind, sprung up after them, 41:24 and the thin ears swallowed up the seven good ears. And I told it to the magicians, but there was no man who could declare it to me.

41:25 And Joseph said to Pharaoh, The dream of Pharaoh is one; what God is about to do he has declared to Pharaoh. 41:26 The seven good cows are seven years, and the seven good ears are seven years; the dream is one. 41:27 And the seven lean and ill-favored cows that came up after them are seven years, and also the seven empty ears blasted with the east wind, they shall be seven years of famine. 41:28 That is the thing which I

spoke to Pharaoh. What God is about to do he has shown to Pharaoh.

41:29 Behold, there come seven years of great plenty throughout all the land of Egypt, 41:30 and there shall arise after them seven years of famine. And all the plenty shall be forgotten in the land of Egypt, and the famine shall consume the land. 41:31 And the plenty shall not be known in the land because of that famine which follows, for it shall be very grievous. 41:32 And because the dream was doubled to Pharaoh, it is because the thing is established by God, and God will shortly bring it to pass.

Joseph Appointed Ruler of Egypt

41:33 Now therefore let Pharaoh look out for a man discreet and wise, and set him over the land of Egypt. 41:34 Let Pharaoh do *this*, and let him appoint overseers over the land, and take up the fifth part of the land of Egypt in the seven plentiful years.

41:35 And let them gather all the food of these good years that come, and lay up grain under the hand of Pharaoh for food in the cities, and let them keep it. 41:36 And the food shall be for a store to the land against the seven years of famine, which shall be in the land of Egypt, that the land not perish through the famine.

41:37 And the thing was good in the eyes of Pharaoh, and in the eyes of all his servants. 41:38 And Pharaoh said to his servants, Can we find such a one as this, a man in whom is the spirit of God?

41:39 And Pharaoh said to Joseph, Inasmuch as God has shown thee all of this, there is none so discreet and wise as thou. 41:40 Thou shall be over my house, and according to thy word all my people shall be ruled. Only in the throne I will be greater than thou. 41:41 And Pharaoh said to Joseph, See, I have set thee over all the land of Egypt.

41:42 And Pharaoh took his signet ring from off his hand, and put it upon Joseph's hand, and arrayed him in vestures of fine linen, and put a gold chain about his neck. 41:43 And he made him to ride in the second chariot which he had, and they cried before him, Bow the knee. And he set him over all the land of Egypt. 41:44 And Pharaoh said to Joseph, I am Pharaoh, and without thee no man shall lift up his hand or his foot in all the land of Egypt.

41:45 And Pharaoh called Joseph's name Zaphenath-paneah, and he gave him Asenath, the daughter of Poti-phares priest of On, for a wife. And Joseph went out over the land of Egypt. 41:46

And Joseph was thirty years old when he stood before Pharaoh king of Egypt. And Joseph went out from the presence of Pharaoh, and went throughout all the land of Egypt.

Seven Years of Plenty

^{41:47} And in the seven plenteous years the earth brought forth by handfuls. ^{41:48} And he gathered up all the food of the seven years which were in the land of Egypt, and laid up the food in the cities. The food of the field, which was round about every city, he laid up in the same. ^{41:49} And Joseph laid up grain as the sand of the sea, very much, until he left off numbering, for it was without number.

^{41:50} And two sons were born to Joseph before the year of famine came . . . ^{41:51} And Joseph called the name of the firstborn Manasseh, for, God has made me forget all my toil, and all my father's house. ^{41:52} And the name of the second he called Ephraim, for God has made me fruitful in the land of my affliction.

Seven Years of Famine

^{41:53} And the seven years of plenty, that was in the land of Egypt, came to an end. ^{41:54} And the seven years of famine began to come, according as Joseph had said. And there was famine in all lands, but in all the land of Egypt there was bread.

^{41:55} And when all the land of Egypt was famished, the people cried to Pharaoh for bread. And Pharaoh said to all the Egyptians, Go to Joseph; what he says to you, do. ^{41:56} And the famine was over all the face of the earth. And Joseph opened all the storehouses, and sold to the Egyptians. And the famine was severe in the land of Egypt. ^{41:57} And all countries came into Egypt to Joseph to buy grain, because the famine was severe on all the earth.

Joseph's Brothers Come to Egypt

^{42:1} Now Jacob saw that there was grain in Egypt. . . . ^{42:2} And he said, Behold, I have heard that there is grain in Egypt. Get you down there, and buy for us from there, that we may live, and not die.

^{42:3} And Joseph's ten brothers went down to buy grain from Egypt. ^{42:4} But Benjamin, Joseph's brother, Jacob did not send with his brothers, for he said, Lest perhaps harm befall him. ^{42:5}

And the sons of Israel came to buy among those who came, for the famine was in the land of Canaan.

^{42:6} And Joseph was the governor over the land. It was he who sold to all the people of the land. And Joseph's brothers came, and bowed down themselves to him with their faces to the earth. ^{42:7} And Joseph saw his brothers, and he knew them, but made himself foreign to them, and spoke roughly with them. And he said to them. From where come ye? And they said, From the land of Canaan to buy food. ^{42:8} And Joseph knew his brothers, but they did not know him.

^{42:9} And Joseph remembered the dreams which he dreamed of them. And said to them, Ye are spies; ye have come to see the nakedness of the land. ^{42:10} And they said to him, No, my lord, but thy servants have come to buy food. ^{42:11} We are all one man's sons. We are true men. Thy servants are no spies. ^{42:12} And he said to them, No, but ye have come to see the nakedness of the land. ^{42:13} And they said, We thy servants are twelve brothers, the sons of one man in the land of Canaan. And, behold, the youngest is this day with our father, and one is not.

^{42:14} And Joseph said to them, This is that which I spoke to you, saying, Ye are spies. ^{42:15} By this ye shall be proved: By the life of Pharaoh ye shall not go forth from here unless your youngest brother comes here. ^{42:16} Send one of you, and let him fetch your brother. And ye shall be bound, that your words may be proved, whether there be truth in you, or else by the life of Pharaoh surely ye are spies.

^{42:17} And he put them all together into ward three days. ^{42:18} And Joseph said to them the third day, This do, and live, for I fear God: ^{42:19} If ye be true men, let one of your brothers be bound in your prison house, but go ye, carry grain for the famine of your houses, ^{42:20} and bring your youngest brother to me. So shall your words be verified, and ye shall not die. And they did so.

^{42:21} And they said one to another, We are truly guilty concerning our brother, in that we saw the distress of his soul when he besought us, and we would not hear. Therefore this distress has come upon us. ^{42:22} And Reuben answered them, saying, Did I not speak to you, saying, Sin not against the child, and ye would not hear? Therefore also, behold, his blood is required.

^{42:23} And they did not know that Joseph understood them, for there was an interpreter between them. ^{42:24} And he turned himself around from them, and wept. And he returned to them, and spoke to them, and took Simeon from among them, and bound him before their eyes. ^{42:25} Then Joseph commanded to fill their

vessels with grain, and to restore every man's money into his sack, and to give them provisions for the way. And thus it was done to them.

They Return Home

^{42:26} And they loaded their donkeys with their grain, and departed from there. ^{42:27} And as one of them opened his sack to give his donkey provender in the lodging place, he saw his money, and, behold, it was in the mouth of his sack. ^{42:28} And he said to his brothers, My money is restored, and, lo, it is even in my sack. And their heart failed them, and they turned trembling one to another, saying, What is this that God has done to us?

^{42:29} And they came to Jacob their father to the land of Canaan, and told him all that had befallen them, saying, ^{42:30} The man, the lord of the land, spoke roughly with us, and took us for spies of the country. ^{42:31} And we said to him, We are true men, and we are no spies. ^{42:32} We are twelve brothers, sons of our father. One is not, and the youngest is this day with our father in the land of Canaan.

^{42:33} And the man, the lord of the land, said to us, By this I shall know that ye are true men. Leave one of your brothers with me, and take *grain* for the famine of your houses, and go your way, ^{42:34} and bring your youngest brother to me. Then I shall know that ye are no spies, but that ye are true men. So I will deliver your brother to you, and ye shall trade in the land.

^{42:35} And it came to pass as they emptied their sacks, that, behold, every man's bundle of money was in his sack. And when they and their father saw their bundles of money, they were afraid.

^{42:36} And Jacob their father said to them, Ye have bereaved me of my sons. Joseph is not, and Simeon is not, and ye will take Benjamin away. All these things are against me. ^{42:37} And Reuben spoke to his father, saying, Kill my two sons if I do not bring him to thee. Deliver him into my hand, and I will bring him to thee again. ^{42:38} And he said, My son shall not go down with you, for his brother is dead, and he only is left. If harm befalls him by the way in which ye go, then ye will bring down my gray hairs with sorrow to Sheol. ^{43:1} And the famine was severe in the land.

Their Second Trip to Egypt

43:2 And it came to pass, when they had eaten up the grain which they had brought out of Egypt, their father said to them, Go again, buy us a little food. 43:3 And Judah spoke to him, saying, The man solemnly protested to us, saying, Ye shall not see my face unless your brother be with you. 43:4 If thou wilt send our brother with us, we will go down and buy food for thee, 43:5 but if thou wilt not send him, we will not go down. For the man said to us, Ye shall not see my face unless your brother be with you.

43:6 And Israel said, Why did ye deal so ill with me, as to tell the man whether ye had yet a brother? 43:7 And they said, The man asked diligently concerning ourselves, and concerning our kindred, saying, Is your father yet alive? Have ye *another* brother? And we told him according to the tenor of these words. Could we in any way know that he would say, Bring your brother down?

43:8 And Judah said to Israel his father, Send the young man with me, and we will arise and go, that we may live, and not die, both we, and thou, and also our little ones. 43:9 I will be surety for him, of my hand shall thou require him. If I do not bring him to thee, and set him before thee, then let me bear the blame forever. 43:10 For unless we had lingered, surely we would have now returned a second time.

43:11 And their father Israel said to them, If it be so now, do this: Take of the choice fruits of the land in your vessels, and carry a present down to the man, a little balm, and a little honey, spicery and myrrh, nuts, and almonds. 43:12 And take double money in your hand, and the money that was returned in the mouth of your sacks carry again in your hand. Perhaps it was an oversight. 43:13 Also take your brother, and arise, go again to the man. 43:14 And God Almighty give you mercy before the man, that he may release to you your other brother and Benjamin. And if I be bereaved of my sons, I am bereaved.

43:15 And the men took that present, and they took double money in their hand, and Benjamin, and rose up, and went down to Egypt, and stood before Joseph. 43:16 And when Joseph saw Benjamin with them, he said to the steward of his house, Bring the men into the house, and kill, and make ready, for the men shall dine with me at noon. 43:17 And the man did as Joseph bade, and the man brought the men to Joseph's house.

43:18 And the men were afraid, because they were brought to Joseph's house, and they said, We are brought in because of the money that was returned in our sacks at the first time, that

he may seek occasion against us, and fall upon us, and take us for bondmen, and our donkeys.

^{43:19} And they came near to the steward of Joseph's house, and they spoke to him at the door of the house, ^{43:20} and said, Oh, my lord, we indeed came down at the first time to buy food. ^{43:21} And it came to pass, when we came to the lodging place, that we opened our sacks, and, behold, every man's money was in the mouth of his sack, our money in full weight. And we have brought it again in our hand. ^{43:22} And we have brought other money down in our hand to buy food. We know not who put our money in our sacks.

^{43:23} And he said, Peace be to you, fear not. Your God, and the God of your father, has given you treasure in your sacks. I had your money. And he brought Simeon out to them. ^{43:24} And the man brought the men into Joseph's house, and gave them water, and they washed their feet. And he gave their donkeys provender. ^{43:25} And they made ready the present against Joseph's coming at noon, for they heard that they should eat bread there.

Their Second Meeting With Joseph

^{43:26} And when Joseph came home, they brought him the present which was in their hand into the house, and bowed down themselves to him to the earth. ^{43:27} And he asked them of their welfare, and said, Is your father well, the old man of whom ye spoke? Is he yet alive? ^{43:28} And they said, Thy servant our father is well; he is yet alive. And they bowed the head, and made obeisance.

^{43:29} And he lifted up his eyes, and saw Benjamin his brother, his mother's son, and said, Is this your youngest brother, of whom ye spoke to me? And he said, God be gracious to thee, my son.

^{43:30} And Joseph made haste, for his heart yearned over his brother, and he sought where to weep. And he entered into his chamber, and wept there. ^{43:31} And he washed his face, and came out. And he restrained himself, and said, Set on bread. ^{43:32} And they set on for him by himself, and for them by themselves, and for the Egyptians, who ate with him, by themselves, because the Egyptians might not eat bread with the Hebrews, for that is an abomination to the Egyptians.

^{43:33} And they sat before him, the firstborn according to his birthright, and the youngest according to his youth. And the men marveled one with another. ^{43:34} And he took *and sent* portions to

them from before him, but Benjamin's portion was five times so much as any of theirs. And they drank, and were merry with him.

44:1 And he commanded the steward of his house, saying, Fill the men's sacks with food, as much as they can carry, and put every man's money in his sack's mouth. 44:2 And put my cup, the silver cup, in the sack's mouth of the youngest, and his grain money. And he did according to the word that Joseph had spoken.

44:3 As soon as the morning was light, the men were sent away, they and their donkeys. 44:4 And when they were gone out of the city, and were not yet far off, Joseph said to his steward, Up, follow after the men, and when thou overtake them, say to them, Why have ye rewarded evil for good? 44:5 Is not this that in which my lord drinks, and how he indeed divines? Ye have done evil in so doing. 44:6 And he overtook them, and he spoke to them these words.

44:7 And they said to him, Why does my lord speak such words as these? Far be it from thy servants that they should do such a thing. 44:8 Behold, the money, which we found in our sacks' mouths, we brought again to thee out of the land of Canaan. How then would we steal out of thy lord's house silver or gold? 44:9 With whomever of thy servants it be found, let him die, and we also will be my lord's bondmen.

44:10 And he said, Now also let it be according to your words. He with whom it is found shall be my bondman, and ye shall be blameless. 44:11 Then they hurried, and took down every man his sack to the ground, and opened every man his sack. 44:12 And he searched, and began at the eldest, and left off at the youngest. And the cup was found in Benjamin's sack. 44:13 Then they tore their clothes, and every man loaded his donkey, and returned to the city.

Joseph Reveals Himself

44:14 And Judah and his brothers came to Joseph's house. And he was yet there, and they fell before him on the ground. 44:15 And Joseph said to them, What deed is this that ye have done? Know ye not that such a man as I can indeed divine?

44:16 And Judah said, What shall we say to my lord? What shall we speak, or how shall we clear ourselves? God has found out the iniquity of thy servants. Behold, we are my lord's bondmen, both we, and he also in whose hand the cup is found. 44:17 And he said, Far be it from me that I should do so. The man in whose

hand the cup is found, he shall be my bondman, but as for you, get you up in peace to your father.

^{44:18} Then Judah came near to him, and said, Oh, my lord, let thy servant, I pray thee, speak a word in my lord's ears, and let not thine anger burn against thy servant, for thou are even as Pharaoh. ... ^{44:30} Now therefore when I come to thy servant my father, and the young man is not with us, since his life is bound up in the young man's life, ^{44:31} it will come to pass, when he sees that the young man is not *with us*, that he will die. And thy servants will bring down the gray hairs of thy servant our father with sorrow to Sheol. ^{44:32} For thy servant became surety for the young man to my father, saying, If I do not bring him to thee, then I shall bear the blame to my father forever. ^{44:33} Now therefore, let thy servant, I pray thee, abide a bondman to my lord instead of the young man, and let the young man go up with his brothers. ^{44:34} For how shall I go up to my father, if the young man be not with me? Lest I see the evil that shall come on my father.

^{45:1} Then Joseph could not restrain himself before all those who stood before him, and he cried out, Cause every man to go out from me. And no man stood with him while Joseph made himself known to his brothers. ^{45:2} And he wept aloud, and the Egyptians heard, and the house of Pharaoh heard. ^{45:3} And Joseph said to his brothers, I am Joseph, does my father yet live? And his brothers could not answer him, for they were troubled at his presence.

^{45:4} And Joseph said to his brothers, Come near to me, I pray you. And they came near, and he said, I am Joseph your brother, whom ye sold into Egypt. ^{45:5} And now be not grieved, nor angry with yourselves, that ye sold me here, for God sent me before you to preserve life. ^{45:6} For the famine has been in the land these two years, and there are yet five years, in which there shall be neither plowing nor harvest.

^{45:7} And God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on the earth, and to save you alive by a great deliverance. ^{45:8} So now it was not you that sent me here, but God, and he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house, and ruler over all the land of Egypt.

Joseph Sends for Jacob and His Family

^{45:9} Hasten ye, and go up to my father, and say to him, Thus says thy son Joseph: God has made me lord of all Egypt. Come down to me, delay not. ^{45:10} And thou shall dwell in the land of Goshen, and thou shall be near to me, thou, and thy sons, and

thy sons' sons, and thy flocks, and thy herds, and all that thou have. ^{45:11} And there will I nourish thee, for there are yet five years of famine, lest thou come to poverty, thou, and thy household, and all that thou have. ^{45:12} And, behold, your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin, that it is my mouth that speaks to you. ^{45:13} And ye shall tell my father of all my glory in Egypt, and of all that ye have seen. And ye shall hasten and bring down my father here.

^{45:14} And he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck, and wept, and Benjamin wept upon his neck. ^{45:15} And he kissed all his brothers, and wept upon them. And after that his brothers talked with him. ^{45:16} And the report of it was heard in Pharaoh's house, saying, Joseph's brothers have come. And it pleased Pharaoh well, and his servants.

^{45:17} And Pharaoh said to Joseph, Say to thy brothers, This do ye: Load your beasts, and go, get you to the land of Canaan, ^{45:18} and take your father and your households, and come to me. And I will give you the good of the land of Egypt, and ye shall eat the fat of the land. ^{45:19} Now thou are commanded, this do ye: Take wagons for you out of the land of Egypt for your little ones, and for your wives, and bring your father, and come. ^{45:20} Also do not regard your stuff, for the good of all the land of Egypt is yours.

^{45:21} And the sons of Israel did so. And Joseph gave them wagons, according to the commandment of Pharaoh, and gave them provision for the way. ^{45:22} He gave to all of them, each man, changes of raiment, but to Benjamin he gave three hundred pieces of silver, and five changes of raiment. ^{45:23} And he sent to his father according to this manner: ten donkeys laden with the good things of Egypt, and ten she-donkeys laden with grain and bread and provision for his father by the way. ^{45:24} So he sent his brothers away, and they departed. And he said to them, See that ye not fall out by the way.

^{45:25} And they went up out of Egypt, and came into the land of Canaan to Jacob their father. ^{45:26} And they told him, saying, Joseph is yet alive, and he is ruler over all the land of Egypt. And his heart fainted, for he did not believe them. ^{45:27} And they told him all the words of Joseph, which he had said to them. And when he saw the wagons which Joseph had sent to carry him, the spirit of Jacob their father revived. ^{45:28} And Israel said, It is enough, Joseph my son is yet alive. I will go and see him before I die.

They All Move to Egypt

^{46:1} And Israel took his journey with all that he had, and came to Beersheba, and offered sacrifices to the God of his father Isaac. ^{46:2} And God spoke to Israel in the visions of the night, and said, Jacob, Jacob. And he said, Here I am. ^{46:3} And he said, I am God, the God of thy father. Fear not to go down into Egypt, for I will there make of thee a great nation. ^{46:4} I will go down with thee into Egypt, and I will also surely bring thee up again, and Joseph shall put his hand upon thine eyes.

^{46:5} And Jacob rose up from Beersheba, and the sons of Israel carried Jacob their father, and their little ones, and their wives, in the wagons which Pharaoh had sent to carry him. ^{46:6} And they took up their goods, and all their property, which they had gotten in the land of Canaan, they came into the land of Egypt, Jacob, and all his seed with him: ^{46:7} the sons, and the sons of his sons with him, *his* daughters, and the daughters of his daughters. And he brought all his seed into Egypt. ...

^{46:28} And he sent Judah before him to Joseph, to show the way before him to Goshen, and they came into the land of Goshen. ^{46:29} And Joseph made his chariot ready, and went up to meet Israel his father, to Goshen. And he presented himself to him, and fell on his neck, and wept on his neck a good while. ^{46:30} And Israel said to Joseph, Now let me die, since I have seen thy face, that thou are yet alive. ...

^{47:5} And Pharaoh spoke to Joseph, saying, Thy father and thy brothers have come to thee. ^{47:6} The land of Egypt is before thee. Make thy father and thy brothers to dwell in the best of the land; in the land of Goshen let them dwell. And if thou know any able men among them, then make them rulers over my cattle. ^{47:7} And Joseph brought in Jacob his father, and set him before Pharaoh, and Jacob blessed Pharaoh. ...

Jacob's Death

^{47:27} And Israel dwelt in the land of Egypt, in the land of Goshen. And they got possessions in it, and were fruitful, and multiplied exceedingly. ^{47:28} And Jacob lived in the land of Egypt seventeen years. So the days of Jacob, the years of his life, were a hundred forty-seven years.

^{47:29} And the time drew near that Israel must die. And he called his son Joseph, and said to him Bury me not, I pray thee, in Egypt, ^{47:30} but when I sleep with my fathers, thou shall carry me

out of Egypt, and bury me in their burying place. And he said, I will do as thou have said. ...

49:1 And Jacob called to his sons, and said, gather yourselves together, that I may tell you that which shall befall you in the latter days. 49:2 Assemble yourselves, and hear, ye sons of Jacob, and hearken to Israel your father. ... 49:28 All these are the twelve tribes of Israel, and this is it that their father spoke to them and blessed them; every man according to his blessing he blessed them.

49:29 And he ordered them, and said to them, I am to be gathered to my people. Bury me with my fathers in the cave that is in the field of Ephron the Hittite, 49:30 in the cave that is in the field of Machpelah ... in the land of Canaan, which Abraham bought ... for a possession of a burying place. 49:31 There they buried Abraham and Sarah his wife, there they buried Isaac and Rebekah his wife, and there I buried Leah. ... 49:33 And when Jacob made an end of charging his sons, he ... yielded up the spirit, and was gathered to his people. ...

50:4 And when the days of weeping for him were past, Joseph spoke to the house of Pharaoh, saying, If now I have found favor in your eyes, speak, I pray you, in the ears of Pharaoh, saying, 50:5 My father made me swear, saying, Lo, I die. In my grave which I have dug for me in the land of Canaan, there shall thou bury me. Now therefore let me go up, I pray thee, and bury my father, and I will come again. 50:6 And Pharaoh said, Go up, and bury thy father, according as he made thee swear. ... 50:12 And his sons did to him according as he commanded them. ...

Joseph Forgives

50:15 And when Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, It may be that Joseph will hate us, and will fully requite us all the evil which we did to him. 50:16 And they sent a message to Joseph, saying, Thy father commanded before he died, saying, 50:17 So shall ye say to Joseph, Forgive, I pray thee now, the transgression of thy brothers, and their sin, because they did to thee evil. And now, we pray thee, forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of thy father. And Joseph wept when they spoke to him. 50:18 And his brothers also went and fell down before his face, and they said, Behold, we are thy servants.

50:19 And Joseph said to them, Fear not, for am I in the place of God? 50:20 And as for you, ye meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring to pass, as it is this day, to save much

people alive. ^{50:21} Now therefore fear ye not. I will nourish you, and your little ones. And he comforted them, and spoke kindly to them. ...

^{50:24} And Joseph said to his brothers, I die, but God will surely visit you, and bring you up out of this land to the land which he swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. ^{50:25} And Joseph took an oath of the sons of Israel, saying, God will surely visit you, and ye shall carry up my bones from here. ^{50:26} So Joseph died, being a hundred and ten years old, and they embalmed him, and he was put in a coffin in Egypt.

Scriptures from Exodus

The Israelites Are Enslaved and Persecuted

^{1:6} And Joseph died, and all his brothers, and all that generation. ^{1:7} And the sons of Israel were fruitful, and increased abundantly, and multiplied, and grew exceedingly mighty, and the land was filled with them.

^{1:8} Now there arose a new king over Egypt, who knew not Joseph. ^{1:9} And he said to his people, Behold, the people of the sons of Israel are more and mightier than we. ^{1:10} Come, let us deal craftily with them, lest they multiply, and it come to pass, that, when war happens, they also join themselves to our enemies, and fight against us, and get them up out of the land. ^{1:11} Therefore they set taskmasters over them to afflict them with their burdens. And they built store-cities for Pharaoh, Pithom and Rameses.

^{1:12} But the more they afflicted them, the more they multiplied and the more they spread out. And they were grieved because of the sons of Israel. ^{1:13} And the Egyptians made the sons of Israel to serve with rigor. ^{1:14} And they made their lives bitter with hard service, in mortar and in brick, and in all manner of service in the field, all their service, with which they made them serve with rigor.

^{1:15} And the king of Egypt spoke to the Hebrew midwives ... ^{1:16} And he said, When ye do the office of a midwife to the Hebrew women ... if it be a son, then ye shall kill him, but if it be a daughter, then she shall live. ^{1:17} But the midwives feared God, and did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but saved the male children alive.

^{1:18} And the king of Egypt called for the midwives, and said to them, Why have ye done this thing, and have saved the male children alive? ^{1:19} And the midwives said to Pharaoh, Because the Hebrew women are not as the Egyptian women, for they are lively, and are delivered before the midwife comes to them. ^{1:20} And God dealt well with the midwives. And the people multiplied, and grew very mighty. ^{1:21} And it came to pass, because the midwives feared God, that he made them households.

Moses is Born

^{1:22} And Pharaoh ordered all his people, saying, Every son that is born ye shall cast into the river, and every daughter ye shall save alive. ^{2:1} And there went a man of the house of Levi, and took to wife a daughter of Levi. ^{2:2} And the woman conceived, and bore a son. And when she saw him that he was a goodly child, she hid him three months. ^{2:3} And when she could no longer hide him, she took for him an ark of bulrushes, and daubed it with slime and with pitch. And she put the child in it, and laid it in the reeds by the river's edge. ^{2:4} And his sister stood afar off, to know what would be done to him.

^{2:5} And the daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, and her maidens walked along by the riverside. And she saw the ark among the reeds, and sent her handmaid to fetch it. ^{2:6} And she opened it, and saw the child, and, behold, the babe wept. And she had compassion on him, and said, This is one of the Hebrews' children. ^{2:7} Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, Shall I go and call a nurse for thee from the Hebrew women, that she may nurse the child for thee? ^{2:8} And Pharaoh's daughter said to her, Go. And the maiden went and called the child's mother. ^{2:9} And Pharaoh's daughter said to her, Take this child away, and nurse it for me, and I will give thee thy wages. And the woman took the child, and nursed it. ^{2:10} And the child grew, and she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and he became her son. And she called his name Moses, and said, Because I drew him out of the water.

He Defends an Israelite

^{2:11} And it came to pass in those days, when Moses was grown up, that he went out to his brothers, and looked on their burdens. And he saw an Egyptian smiting a Hebrew, one of his brothers. ^{2:12} And he looked this way and that way, and when he saw that there was no man, he smote the Egyptian, and hid him in the sand.

^{2:13} And he went out the second day, and, behold, two men of the Hebrews were striving together. And he said to him who did the wrong, Why do thou smite thy neighbor? ^{2:14} And he said, Who made thee a prince and a judge over us? Do thou think to kill me, as thou killed the Egyptian? And Moses feared, and said, Surely the thing is known.

He Flees to Midian

2:15 Now when Pharaoh heard this thing, he sought to kill Moses. But Moses fled from the face of Pharaoh, and dwelt in the land of Midian, and he sat down by a well. 2:16 Now the priest of Midian had seven daughters. And they came and drew water, and filled the troughs to water their father's flock. 2:17 And the shepherds came and drove them away, but Moses stood up and helped them, and watered their flock.

2:18 And when they came to Reuel their father, he said, How is it that ye have come so soon today? 2:19 And they said, An Egyptian delivered us out of the hand of the shepherds, and moreover he drew water for us, and watered the flock.

2:20 And he said to his daughters, And where is he? Why is it that ye have left the man? Call him, that he may eat bread. 2:21 And Moses was content to dwell with the man, and he gave Moses Zipporah his daughter. 2:22 And she bore a son, and he called his name Gershom, for he said, I have been a sojourner in a foreign land.

God Hears Israel's Cry

2:23 And it came to pass in the course of those many days, that the king of Egypt died. And the sons of Israel sighed because of the bondage, and they cried, and their cry came up to God because of the bondage. 2:24 And God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob. 2:25 And God saw the sons of Israel, and God took knowledge *of them*.

3:1 Now Moses was keeping the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian. And he led the flock to the back of the wilderness, and came to the mountain of God, to Horeb. 3:2 And the agent of Jehovah appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. And he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed.

3:3 And Moses said, I will turn aside now, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt. 3:4 And when Jehovah saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the midst of the bush, and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, Here I am.

3:5 And he said, Do not draw near here. Put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place on which thou stand is holy ground. 3:6 Moreover he said, I am the God of thy father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look upon God.

^{3:7} And Jehovah said, I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt, and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters, for I know their sorrows. ^{3:8} And I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and large land, to a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanite ... ^{3:9} And now, behold, the cry of the sons of Israel has come to me. Moreover I have seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. ^{3:10} Come now therefore, and I will send thee to Pharaoh, that thou may bring forth my people the sons of Israel out of Egypt.

^{3:11} And Moses said to God, Who am I, that I should go to Pharaoh, and that I should bring forth the sons of Israel out of Egypt? ^{3:12} And he said, I will certainly be with thee. And this shall be the sign to thee, that I have sent thee: When thou have brought forth the people out of Egypt, ye shall serve God upon this mountain.

^{3:13} And Moses said to God, Behold, when I come to the sons of Israel, and shall say to them, The God of your fathers has sent me to you, and they shall say to me, What is his name? What shall I say to them?

^{3:14} And God said to Moses, I AM WHO I AM. And he said, Thus shall thou say to the sons of Israel, I AM has sent me to you. ^{3:15} And God said moreover to Moses, Thus shall thou say to the sons of Israel, Jehovah, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you. This is my name forever, and this is my memorial to all generations.

^{3:16} Go, and gather the elders of Israel together, and say to them, Jehovah, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, has appeared to me, saying, I have surely visited you, and *seen* that which is done to you in Egypt. ^{3:17} And I have said, I will bring you up out of the affliction of Egypt to the land of the Canaanite ... to a land flowing with milk and honey.

^{3:18} And they shall hearken to thy voice. And thou shall come, thou and the elders of Israel, to the king of Egypt, and ye shall say to him, Jehovah, the God of the Hebrews, has met with us. And now let us go, we pray thee, three days' journey into the wilderness, that we may sacrifice to Jehovah our God. ^{3:19} And I know that the king of Egypt will not give you leave to go, no, not by a mighty hand. ^{3:20} And I will put forth my hand, and smite Egypt with all my wonders which I will do in the midst of it, and after that he will let you go. ^{3:21} And I will give this people favor in the sight of the Egyptians. And it shall come to pass, that, when

ye go, ye shall not go empty. ^{3:22} But every woman shall ask of her neighbor, and of her who sojourns in her house, jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment. And ye shall put them upon your sons, and upon your daughters, and ye shall despoil the Egyptians.

Jehovah Shows His Power to Moses

^{4:1} And Moses answered and said, But, behold, they will not believe me, nor hearken to my voice, for they will say, Jehovah has not appeared to thee. ^{4:2} And Jehovah said to him, What is that in thy hand? And he said, A rod. ^{4:3} And he said, Cast it on the ground. And he cast it on the ground. And it became a serpent, and Moses fled from before it. ^{4:4} And Jehovah said to Moses, Put forth thy hand, and take it by the tail (and he put forth his hand, and laid hold of it, and it became a rod in his hand), ^{4:5} that they may believe that Jehovah, the God of their fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has appeared to thee.

^{4:6} And Jehovah said furthermore to him, Put now thy hand into thy bosom. And he put his hand into his bosom. And when he took it out, behold, his hand was leprous, as snow. ^{4:7} And he said, Put thy hand into thy bosom again. (And he put his hand into his bosom again, and when he took it out of his bosom, behold, it was turned again as his *other* flesh.) ^{4:8} And it shall come to pass, if they will not believe thee, nor hearken to the voice of the first sign, that they will believe the voice of the latter sign.

^{4:9} And it shall come to pass, if they will not believe even these two signs, nor hearken to thy voice, that thou shall take of the water of the river, and pour it upon the dry land. And the water which thou take out of the river shall become blood upon the dry land.

Aaron Appointed Spokesman For Moses

^{4:10} And Moses said to Jehovah, Oh, Lord, I am not eloquent, neither heretofore, nor since thou have spoken to thy servant, for I am slow of speech, and of a slow tongue. ^{4:11} And Jehovah said to him, Who has made man's mouth? Or who makes a *man* dumb, or deaf, or seeing, or blind? Is it not I, Jehovah? ^{4:12} Now therefore go, and I will be with thy mouth, and teach thee what thou shall speak. ^{4:13} And he said, Oh, Lord, send, I pray thee, by the hand of him whom thou will send.

^{4:14} And the anger of Jehovah was kindled against Moses, and he said, Is there not Aaron thy brother the Levite? I know that he can speak well. And also, behold, he comes forth to meet thee, and when he sees thee, he will be glad in his heart. ^{4:15} And thou shalt speak to him, and put the words in his mouth. And I will be with thy mouth, and with his mouth, and will teach you what ye shall do, ^{4:16} and he shall be thy spokesman to the people. And it shall come to pass, that he shall be to thee a mouth, and thou shalt be to him as God. ^{4:17} And thou shalt take this rod in thy hand, with which thou shalt do the signs.

Moses Returns to Egypt

^{4:18} And Moses went and returned to Jethro his father-in-law, and said to him, Let me go, I pray thee, and return to my brothers who are in Egypt, and see whether they be yet alive. And Jethro said to Moses, Go in peace. ^{4:19} And Jehovah said to Moses in Midian, Go, return into Egypt, for all the men are dead who sought thy life. ^{4:20} And Moses took his wife and his sons, and set them upon a donkey, and he returned to the land of Egypt. And Moses took the rod of God in his hand.

^{4:21} And Jehovah said to Moses, When thou go back into Egypt, see that thou do before Pharaoh all the wonders which I have put in thy hand, but I will harden his heart and he will not let the people go. ^{4:22} And thou shall say to Pharaoh, Thus says Jehovah, Israel is my son, my firstborn, ^{4:23} and I have said to thee, Let my son go, that he may serve me, and thou have refused to let him go. Behold, I will slay thy son, thy firstborn. ...

^{4:27} And Jehovah said to Aaron, Go into the wilderness to meet Moses. And he went, and met him on the mountain of God, and kissed him. ^{4:28} And Moses told Aaron all the words of Jehovah with which he had sent him, and all the signs with which he had ordered him.

^{4:29} And Moses and Aaron went and gathered together all the elders of the sons of Israel. ^{4:30} And Aaron spoke all the words which Jehovah had spoken to Moses, and did the signs in the sight of the people. ^{4:31} And the people believed. And when they heard that Jehovah had visited the sons of Israel, and that he had seen their affliction, then they bowed their heads and worshipped.

Pharaoh Afflicts More Severely

^{5:1} And afterward Moses and Aaron came, and said to Pharaoh, Thus says Jehovah, the God of Israel, Let my people go, that they may hold a feast to me in the wilderness. ^{5:2} And Pharaoh said, Who is Jehovah, that I should hearken to his voice to let Israel go? I do not know Jehovah, and moreover I will not let Israel go. ^{5:3} And they said, The God of the Hebrews has met with us. Let us go, we pray thee, three days' journey into the wilderness, and sacrifice to Jehovah our God, lest he fall upon us with pestilence, or with the sword. ^{5:4} And the king of Egypt said to them, Therefore do ye, Moses and Aaron, loose the people from their works? Get you to your burdens.

^{5:5} And Pharaoh said, Behold, the people of the land are now many, and ye make them rest from their burdens. ^{5:6} And the same day Pharaoh commanded the taskmasters of the people, and their officers, saying, ^{5:7} Ye shall no more give the people straw to make brick as formerly. Let them go and gather straw for themselves. ^{5:8} And the number of the bricks, which they made formerly, ye shall lay upon them. Ye shall not diminish any of it. For they are idle, therefore they cry, saying, Let us go and sacrifice to our God. ^{5:9} Let heavier work be laid upon the men, that they may labor in it, and let them not regard lying words.

^{5:10} And the taskmasters of the people went out, and their officers, and they spoke to the people, saying, Thus says Pharaoh, I will not give you straw. ^{5:11} Go yourselves, get you straw where ye can find it, for none of your work shall be diminished. ^{5:12} So the people were scattered abroad throughout all the land of Egypt to gather stubble for straw. ^{5:13} And the taskmasters were urgent saying, Fulfill your works, *your* daily tasks, as when there was straw.

^{5:14} And the officers of the sons of Israel, whom Pharaoh's taskmasters had set over them, were beaten, and demanded, Why have ye not fulfilled your task both yesterday and today, in making brick as formerly? ^{5:15} Then the officers of the sons of Israel came and cried to Pharaoh, saying, Why do thou deal thus with thy servants? ^{5:16} There is no straw given to thy servants, and they say to us, Make brick. And, behold, thy servants are beaten, but the fault it in thine own people.

^{5:17} But he said, Ye are idle, ye are idle. Therefore ye say, Let us go and sacrifice to Jehovah. ^{5:18} Go therefore now, and work, for there shall no straw be given you, yet ye shall deliver the number of bricks. ^{5:19} And the officers of the sons of Israel saw

that they were in affliction, when it was said, Ye shall not diminish anything from your bricks, *your* daily tasks.

^{5:20} And they met Moses and Aaron, who stood in the way, as they came forth from Pharaoh, ^{5:21} and they said to them, Jehovah look upon you, and judge, because ye have made our fragrance to be abhorred in the eyes of Pharaoh, and in the eyes of his servants, to put a sword in their hand to slay us.

^{5:22} And Moses returned to Jehovah, and said, Lord, why have thou dealt ill with this people? Why is it that thou have sent me?

^{5:23} For since I came to Pharaoh to speak in thy name, he has dealt ill with this people, neither have thou delivered thy people at all.

^{6:1} And Jehovah said to Moses, Now thou shall see what I will do to Pharaoh. For by a strong hand he shall let them go, and by a strong hand he shall drive them out of his land. ^{6:2} And God spoke to Moses, and said to him, I am Jehovah. ^{6:3} And I appeared to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, as God Almighty, but I was not known by them by my name Jehovah. ^{6:4} And I also established my covenant with them, to give them the land of Canaan, the land of their sojourning, in which they sojourned. ^{6:5} And moreover I have heard the groaning of the sons of Israel, whom the Egyptians keep in bondage, and I have remembered my covenant.

^{6:6} Therefore say to the sons of Israel, I am Jehovah. And I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will rid you out of their bondage, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm, and with great judgments. ^{6:7} And I will take you to me for a people, and I will be to you a God, and ye shall know that I am Jehovah your God, who brings you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. ^{6:8} And I will bring you in to the land which I swore to give to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, and I will give it to you for a heritage. I am Jehovah. ^{6:9} And Moses spoke so to the sons of Israel, but they did not hearken to Moses for anguish of spirit, and for cruel bondage.

Moses and Aaron Meet Pharaoh Again

^{6:10} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{6:11} Go in, speak to Pharaoh king of Egypt, that he let the sons of Israel go out of his land. ^{6:12} And Moses spoke before Jehovah, saying, Behold, the sons of Israel have not hearkened to me, how then shall Pharaoh hear me, who am of uncircumcised lips? ^{6:13} And Jehovah spoke to Moses and to Aaron, and gave them an order to the

sons of Israel, and to Pharaoh king of Egypt, to bring the sons of Israel out of the land of Egypt. ...

6:28 And it came to pass on the day when Jehovah spoke to Moses in the land of Egypt, 6:29 that Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, I am Jehovah. Speak thou to Pharaoh king of Egypt all that I speak to thee. 6:30 And Moses said before Jehovah, Behold, I am of uncircumcised lips, and how shall Pharaoh hearken to me?

7:1 And Jehovah said to Moses, See, I have made thee as God to Pharaoh, and Aaron thy brother shall be thy prophet. 7:2 Thou shall speak all that I command thee, and Aaron thy brother shall speak to Pharaoh, that he let the sons of Israel go out of his land.

7:3 And I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and multiply my signs and my wonders in the land of Egypt. 7:4 But Pharaoh will not hearken to you. And I will lay my hand upon Egypt, and bring forth my armies, my people the sons of Israel, out of the land of Egypt by great judgments. 7:5 And the Egyptians shall know that I am Jehovah, when I stretch forth my hand upon Egypt, and bring out the sons of Israel from among them. 7:6 And Moses and Aaron did so, as Jehovah commanded them, so they did.

7:7 And Moses was eighty years old, and Aaron eighty-three years old, when they spoke to Pharaoh. 7:8 And Jehovah spoke to Moses and to Aaron, saying, 7:9 When Pharaoh shall speak to you, saying, Show a wonder for you, then thou shall say to Aaron, Take thy rod, and cast it down before Pharaoh, that it become a serpent. 7:10 And Moses and Aaron went in to Pharaoh. And they did so, as Jehovah had commanded, and Aaron cast down his rod before Pharaoh and before his servants, and it became a serpent.

7:11 Then Pharaoh also called for the wise men and the sorcerers. And they also, the magicians of Egypt, did in like manner with their enchantments. 7:12 For they cast down every man his rod, and they became serpents, but Aaron's rod swallowed up their rods. 7:13 And Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and he did not hearken to them, as Jehovah had spoken.

7:14 And Jehovah said to Moses, Pharaoh's heart is stubborn; he refuses to let the people go. 7:15 Get thee to Pharaoh in the morning, lo, he goes out to the water, and thou shall stand by the river's edge to meet him, and the rod which was turned to a serpent thou shall take in thy hand.

The First Plague: Water to Blood

7:16 And thou shall say to him, Jehovah, the God of the Hebrews, has sent me to thee, saying, Let my people go, that they may serve me in the wilderness. And, behold, until now thou have not hearkened. 7:17 Thus says Jehovah, In this thou shall know that I am Jehovah. Behold, I will smite with the rod that is in my hand upon the waters which are in the river, and they shall be turned to blood. 7:18 And the fish that are in the river shall die, and the river shall become foul, and the Egyptians shall loathe to drink water from the river.

7:19 And Jehovah said to Moses, Say to Aaron, Take thy rod, and stretch out thy hand over the waters of Egypt, over their rivers, over their streams, and over their pools, and over all their ponds of water, that they may become blood, and there shall be blood throughout all the land of Egypt, both in vessels of wood and in vessels of stone.

7:20 And Moses and Aaron did so, as Jehovah commanded. And he lifted up the rod, and smote the waters that were in the river, in the sight of Pharaoh, and in the sight of his servants, and all the waters that were in the river were turned to blood. 7:21 And the fish that were in the river died, and the river became foul, and the Egyptians could not drink water from the river. And the blood was throughout all the land of Egypt.

7:22 And the magicians of Egypt did in like manner with their enchantments. And Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and he did not hearken to them, as Jehovah had spoken. 7:23 And Pharaoh turned and went into his house, neither did he lay even this to heart. 7:24 And all the Egyptians dug round about the river for water to drink, for they could not drink of the water of the river. 7:25 And seven days were fulfilled, after Jehovah had smitten the river.

The Second Plague: Frogs

8:1 And Jehovah spoke to Moses, Go in to Pharaoh, and say to him, Thus says Jehovah, Let my people go, that they may serve me. 8:2 And if thou refuse to let them go, behold, I will smite all thy borders with frogs. 8:3 And the river shall swarm with frogs, which shall go up and come into thy house, and into thy bed-chamber, and upon thy bed, and into the house of thy servants, and upon thy people, and into thine ovens, and into thy kneading-troughs. 8:4 And the frogs shall come up both upon thee, and upon thy people, and upon all thy servants.

8:5 And Jehovah said to Moses, Say to Aaron, Stretch forth thy hand with thy rod over the rivers, over the streams, and over the pools, and cause frogs to come up upon the land of Egypt. 8:6 And Aaron stretched out his hand over the waters of Egypt, and the frogs came up, and covered the land of Egypt. 8:7 And the magicians did in like manner with their enchantments, and brought up frogs upon the land of Egypt.

8:8 Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron, and said, Entreat Jehovah, that he take away the frogs from me, and from my people, and I will let the people go, that they may sacrifice to Jehovah. 8:9 And Moses said to Pharaoh, Have this honor over me: When shall I entreat for thee, and for thy servants, and for thy people, that the frogs be destroyed from thee and thy houses, and remain in the river only? 8:10 And he said, Tomorrow. And he said, Be it according to thy word, that thou may know that there is none like Jehovah our God. 8:11 And the frogs shall depart from thee, and from thy houses, and from thy servants, and from thy people, they shall remain in the river only.

8:12 And Moses and Aaron went out from Pharaoh. And Moses cried to Jehovah concerning the frogs which he had brought upon Pharaoh. 8:13 And Jehovah did according to the word of Moses. And the frogs died out of the houses, out of the courts, and out of the fields. 8:14 And they gathered them together in heaps, and the land stank. 8:15 But when Pharaoh saw that there was relief, he hardened his heart, and did not hearken to them, as Jehovah had spoken.

The Third Plague: Lice

8:16 And Jehovah said to Moses, Say to Aaron, Stretch out thy rod, and smite the dust of the earth, that it may become lice throughout all the land of Egypt. 8:17 And they did so. And Aaron stretched out his hand with his rod, and smote the dust of the earth. And there were lice upon man, and upon beast; all the dust of the earth became lice throughout all the land of Egypt.

8:18 And the magicians did so with their enchantments to bring forth lice, but they could not. And there were lice upon man, and upon beast. 8:19 Then the magicians said to Pharaoh, This is the finger of God. And Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and he did not hearken to them, as Jehovah had spoken.

The Fourth Plague: Flies

8:20 And Jehovah said to Moses, Rise up early in the morning, and stand before Pharaoh. Lo, he comes forth to the water. And say to him, Thus says Jehovah, Let my people go, that they may serve me. 8:21 Else, if thou wilt not let my people go, behold, I will send swarms of flies upon thee, and upon thy servants, and upon thy people, and into thy houses. And the houses of the Egyptians shall be full of swarms of flies, and also the ground on which they are.

8:22 And in that day I will set apart the land of Goshen, in which my people dwell, that no swarms of flies shall be there, to the end thou may know that I am Jehovah in the midst of the earth. 8:23 And I will put a division between my people and thy people. This sign shall be by tomorrow. 8:24 And Jehovah did so, and there came grievous swarms of flies into the house of Pharaoh, and into his servants' houses. And in all the land of Egypt the land was corrupted because of the swarms of flies.

8:25 And Pharaoh called for Moses and for Aaron, and said, Go ye, sacrifice to your God in the land. 8:26 And Moses said, It is not right to do so, for we shall sacrifice the abomination of the Egyptians to Jehovah our God. Lo, shall we sacrifice the abomination of the Egyptians before their eyes, and will they not stone us? 8:27 We will go three days' journey into the wilderness, and sacrifice to Jehovah our God, as he shall command us.

8:28 And Pharaoh said, I will let you go, that ye may sacrifice to Jehovah your God in the wilderness, only ye shall not go very far away. Entreat for me.

8:29 And Moses said, Behold, I go out from thee, and I will entreat Jehovah that the swarms of flies may depart from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people, tomorrow. Only let not Pharaoh deal deceitfully any more in not letting the people go to sacrifice to Jehovah.

8:30 And Moses went out from Pharaoh, and entreated Jehovah. 8:31 And Jehovah did according to the word of Moses, and he removed the swarms of flies from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people; there remained not one. 8:32 And Pharaoh hardened his heart this time also, and he did not let the people go.

The Fifth Plague: Pestilence

9:1 Then Jehovah said to Moses, Go in to Pharaoh, and tell him, Thus says Jehovah, the God of the Hebrews, Let my peo-

ple go, that they may serve me. ^{9:2} For if thou refuse to let them go, and will still hold them, ^{9:3} behold, the hand of Jehovah is upon thy cattle which are in the field, upon the horses, upon the donkeys, upon the camels, upon the herds, and upon the flocks—a very grievous pestilence. ^{9:4} And Jehovah shall make a distinction between the cattle of Israel and the cattle of Egypt, and there shall nothing die of all that belongs to the sons of Israel.

^{9:5} And Jehovah appointed a set time, saying, Tomorrow Jehovah shall do this thing in the land. ^{9:6} And Jehovah did that thing on the morrow, and all the cattle of Egypt died, but of the cattle of the sons of Israel not one died. ^{9:7} And Pharaoh sent, and, behold, there was not so much as one of the cattle of the Israelites dead. But the heart of Pharaoh was stubborn, and he did not let the people go.

The Sixth Plague: Boils

^{9:8} And Jehovah said to Moses and to Aaron, Take to you handfuls of ashes of the furnace, and let Moses sprinkle it toward heaven in the sight of Pharaoh. ^{9:9} And it shall become small dust over all the land of Egypt, and shall be a boil breaking forth with sores upon man and upon beast, throughout all the land of Egypt.

^{9:10} And they took ashes of the furnace, and stood before Pharaoh, and Moses sprinkled it up toward heaven, and it became a boil breaking forth with sores upon man and upon beast. ^{9:11} And the magicians could not stand before Moses because of the boils, for the boils were upon the magicians, and upon all the Egyptians. ^{9:12} And Jehovah hardened the heart of Pharaoh, and he did not hearken to them, as Jehovah had spoken to Moses.

The Seventh Plague: Hail

^{9:13} And Jehovah said to Moses, Rise up early in the morning, and stand before Pharaoh, and say to him, Thus says Jehovah, the God of the Hebrews, Let my people go, that they may serve me. ^{9:14} For this time I will send all my plagues upon thy heart, and upon thy servants, and upon thy people, that thou may know that there is none like me in all the earth. ^{9:15} For now I have put forth my hand, and smitten thee and thy people with pestilence, and thou have been cut off from the earth. ^{9:16} But indeed for this cause I have raised thee up, to display in thee my power, and that my name may be proclaimed in all the earth. ^{9:17}

As yet thou exalt thyself against my people, that thou will not let them go?

9:18 Behold, tomorrow about this time I will cause it to rain a very grievous hail, such as has not been in Egypt since the day it was founded even until now. 9:19 Now therefore send, hasten in thy cattle and all that thou have in the field, *for* every man and beast that shall be found in the field, and shall not be brought home, the hail shall come down upon them, and they shall die.

9:20 He who feared the word of Jehovah among the servants of Pharaoh made his servants and his cattle flee into the houses. 9:21 And he who did not regard the word of Jehovah left his servants and his cattle in the field.

9:22 And Jehovah said to Moses, Stretch forth thy hand toward heaven, that there may be hail in all the land of Egypt, upon man, and upon beast, and upon every herb of the field, throughout the land of Egypt. 9:23 And Moses stretched forth his rod toward heaven, and Jehovah sent thunder and hail, and fire ran down to the earth, and Jehovah rained hail upon the land of Egypt.

9:24 So there was hail, and fire mingled with the hail, very grievous, such as had not been in all the land of Egypt since it became a nation. 9:25 And throughout all the land of Egypt the hail smote all that was in the field, both man and beast, and the hail smote every herb of the field, and broke every tree of the field. 9:26 Only in the land of Goshen, where the sons of Israel were, was there no hail.

9:27 And Pharaoh sent, and called for Moses and Aaron, and said to them, I have sinned this time. Jehovah is righteous, and I and my people are wicked. 9:28 Entreat Jehovah, for there has been enough of *these* mighty thunderings and hail, and I will let you go, and ye shall stay no longer.

9:29 And Moses said to him, As soon as I am gone out of the city, I will spread abroad my hands to Jehovah. The thunders shall cease, neither shall there be any more hail, that thou may know that the earth is Jehovah's. 9:30 But as for thee and thy servants, I know that ye will not yet fear Jehovah God. 9:31 And the flax and the barley were smitten, for the barley was in the ear, and the flax was in bloom. 9:32 But the wheat and the rye were not smitten, for they were not grown up.

9:33 And Moses went out of the city from Pharaoh, and spread abroad his hands to Jehovah, and the thunders and hail ceased, and the rain was not poured upon the earth. 9:34 And when Pharaoh saw that the rain and the hail and the thunders were

ceased, he sinned yet more, and hardened his heart, he and his servants. ^{9:35} And the heart of Pharaoh was hardened, and he did not let the sons of Israel go, as Jehovah had spoken by Moses.

The Eighth Plague: Locusts

^{10:1} And Jehovah said to Moses, Go in to Pharaoh, for I have hardened his heart, and the heart of his servants, that I may show these my signs in the midst of them, ^{10:2} and that thou may tell in the ears of thy son, and of thy son's son, what things I have wrought upon Egypt, and my signs which I have done among them, that ye may know that I am Jehovah.

^{10:3} And Moses and Aaron went in to Pharaoh, and said to him, Thus says Jehovah, the God of the Hebrews, How long will thou refuse to humble thyself before me? Let my people go, that they may serve me. ^{10:4} Else, if thou refuse to let my people go, behold, tomorrow I will bring locusts into thy border. ^{10:5} And they shall cover the face of the earth, so that no man is able to see the ground. And they shall eat the residue of that which is escaped, which remains to you from the hail, and shall eat every tree which grows for you out of the field. ^{10:6} And thy houses shall be filled, and the houses of all thy servants, and the houses of all the Egyptians, as neither thy fathers nor thy fathers' fathers have seen, since the day that they were upon the earth to this day. And he turned, and went out from Pharaoh.

^{10:7} And Pharaoh's servants said to him, How long shall this man be a snare to us? Let the men go, that they may serve Jehovah their God. Do thou not yet know that Egypt is destroyed?

^{10:8} And Moses and Aaron were brought again to Pharaoh. And he said to them, Go, serve Jehovah your God, but who are those who shall go? ^{10:9} And Moses said, We will go with our young and with our old, with our sons and with our daughters, with our flocks and with our herds will we go, for we must hold a feast to Jehovah.

^{10:10} And he said to them, So be Jehovah with you, as I will let you go, and your little ones. Look, evil is before you. ^{10:11} Not so. Go ye now who are men, and serve Jehovah, for that is what ye desire. And they were driven out from Pharaoh's presence.

^{10:12} And Jehovah said to Moses, Stretch out thy hand over the land of Egypt for the locusts, that they may come up upon the land of Egypt, and eat every herb of the land, even all that the hail has left. ^{10:13} And Moses stretched forth his rod over the land

of Egypt, and Jehovah brought an east wind upon the land all that day, and all the night, and when it was morning, the east wind brought the locusts. ^{10:14} And the locusts went up over all the land of Egypt, and rested in all the borders of Egypt, very grievous were they, before them there were no such locusts as they, neither after them shall be such. ^{10:15} For they covered the face of the whole ground, so that the land was darkened, and they ate every herb of the land, and all the fruit of the trees which the hail had left. And there remained not any green thing, either tree nor herb of the field, through all the land of Egypt.

^{10:16} Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron in haste, and he said, I have sinned against Jehovah your God, and against you. ^{10:17} Now therefore forgive, I pray thee, my sin only this once, and entreat Jehovah your God, that he may only take away from me this death.

^{10:18} And he went out from Pharaoh, and entreated Jehovah. ^{10:19} And Jehovah turned an exceedingly strong west wind, which took up the locusts, and drove them into the Red Sea. There remained not one locust in all the border of Egypt. ^{10:20} But Jehovah hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he did not let the sons of Israel go.

The Ninth Plague: Darkness

^{10:21} And Jehovah said to Moses, Stretch out thy hand toward heaven, that there may be darkness over the land of Egypt, even darkness which may be felt. ^{10:22} And Moses stretched forth his hand toward heaven, and there was a thick darkness in all the land of Egypt three days, ^{10:23} they did not see each other, neither did anyone rise from his place for three days, but all the sons of Israel had light in their dwellings.

^{10:24} And Pharaoh called to Moses, and said, Go ye, serve Jehovah, only let your flocks and your herds stay. Let your little ones also go with you. ^{10:25} And Moses said, Thou must also give into our hand sacrifices and burnt offerings, that we may sacrifice to Jehovah our God. ^{10:26} Our cattle shall also go with us, there shall not a hoof be left behind, for must we take of it to serve Jehovah our God, and we do not know with what we must serve Jehovah, until we come there.

^{10:27} But Jehovah hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he would not let them go. ^{10:28} And Pharaoh said to him, Get thee from me. Take heed to thyself, see my face no more, for in the day thou see my face thou shall die. ^{10:29} And Moses said, Thou have spoken well. I will see thy face again no more.

11:1 And Jehovah said to Moses, Yet one plague more I will bring upon Pharaoh, and upon Egypt, afterwards he will let you go from here. When he shall let you go, he shall surely thrust you out from here altogether. 11:2 Speak now in the ears of the people, and let them ask every man of his neighbor, and every woman of her neighbor, jewels of silver, and jewels of gold. 11:3 And Jehovah gave the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians. Moreover the man Moses was very great in the land of Egypt, in the sight of Pharaoh's servants, and in the sight of the people.

11:4 And Moses said, Thus says Jehovah, About midnight I will go out into the midst of Egypt, 11:5 and all the firstborn in the land of Egypt shall die, from the firstborn of Pharaoh who sits upon his throne, even to the firstborn of the maid-servant that is behind the mill, and all the firstborn of cattle. 11:6 And there shall be a great cry throughout all the land of Egypt, such as there has not been, nor shall be any more.

11:7 But against any of the sons of Israel shall not a dog move his tongue, against man or beast, that ye may know how that Jehovah makes a distinction between the Egyptians and Israel. 11:8 And all these thy servants shall come down to me, and bow themselves down to me, saying, Get thee out, and all the people who follow thee. And after that I will go out. And he went out from Pharaoh in hot anger.

11:9 And Jehovah said to Moses, Pharaoh will not hearken to you, that my wonders may be multiplied in the land of Egypt. 11:10 And Moses and Aaron did all these wonders before Pharaoh. And Jehovah hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he did not let the sons of Israel go out of his land.

The Passover

12:1 And Jehovah spoke to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying, 12:2 This month shall be to you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year to you. 12:3 Speak ye to all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the tenth *day* of this month they shall take to them every man a lamb, according to their fathers' houses, a lamb for a household. 12:4 And if the household be too little for a lamb, then he and his neighbor next to his house shall take one according to the number of the souls, according to every man's eating ye shall make your count for the lamb. 12:5 Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male a year old. Ye shall take it from the sheep, or from the goats. 12:6 And ye shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same month, and the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it at

evening. ^{12:7} And they shall take of the blood, and put it on the two side-posts and on the lintel upon the houses in which they shall eat it. ^{12:8} And they shall eat the flesh in that night, roasted with fire, and unleavened bread, with bitter herbs they shall eat it. ... ^{12:11} And thus ye shall eat it: with your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand. And ye shall eat it in haste. It is Jehovah's Passover.

^{12:12} For I will go through the land of Egypt in that night, and will smite all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast, and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments. I am Jehovah. ^{12:13} And the blood shall be to you for a sign upon the houses where ye are. And when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and there shall no plague be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt. ^{12:14} And this day shall be to you for a memorial, and ye shall keep it a feast to Jehovah; throughout your generations ye shall keep it a feast by an ordinance forever. ...

^{12:17} And ye shall observe the *feast of unleavened bread*, for in this selfsame day I have brought your armies out of the land of Egypt. Therefore ye shall observe this day throughout your generations by an ordinance forever. ... ^{12:19} Seven days there shall be no leaven found in your houses ...

^{12:21} Then Moses called for all the elders of Israel, and said to them, Draw out, and take to you lambs according to your families, and kill the Passover. ^{12:22} And ye shall take a bunch of hyssop, and dip it in the blood that is in the basin, and strike the lintel and the two side-posts with the blood that is in the basin, and none of you shall go out of the door of his house until the morning. ^{12:23} For Jehovah will pass through to smite the Egyptians, and when he sees the blood upon the lintel, and on the two side-posts, Jehovah will pass over the door, and will not allow the destroyer to come in to your houses to smite you. ... ^{12:28} And the sons of Israel went and did so, as Jehovah had commanded Moses and Aaron, so did they.

The Tenth Plague: Death of the Firstborn

^{12:29} And it came to pass at midnight, that Jehovah smote all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh who sat on his throne to the firstborn of the captive who was in the dungeon, and all the firstborn of cattle. ^{12:30} And Pharaoh rose up in the night, he, and all his servants, and all the Egyptians, and there was a great cry in Egypt, for there was not a house where there was not one dead.

12:31 And he called for Moses and Aaron by night, and said, Rise up, get you forth from among my people, both ye and the sons of Israel, and go, serve Jehovah, as ye have said. 12:32 Take both your flocks and your herds, as ye have said, and be gone, and bless me also. 12:33 And the Egyptians were urgent upon the people, to send them out of the land in haste, for they said, We are all dead men. ...

12:35 And the sons of Israel did according to the word of Moses, and they asked of the Egyptians jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment. 12:36 And Jehovah gave the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they let them have what they asked. And they despoiled the Egyptians.

The Exodus From Egypt

12:37 And the sons of Israel journeyed from Rameses to Succoth, about six hundred thousand on foot who were men, besides children. 12:38 And a mixed multitude also went up with them, and flocks, and herds, even very much cattle. 12:39 And they baked unleavened cakes of the dough which they brought forth out of Egypt, for it was not leavened, because they were thrust out of Egypt, and could not tarry, neither had they prepared for themselves any provisions.

12:40 Now the time that the sons of Israel dwelt in the land of Egypt and the land of Canaan was four hundred and thirty years. 12:41 And it came to pass at the end of four hundred and thirty years, even the selfsame day it came to pass, that all the armies of Jehovah went out from the land of Egypt. 12:42 It is a night to be much observed to Jehovah for bringing them out from the land of Egypt. This is that night of Jehovah, to be much observed of all the sons of Israel throughout their generations.

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13:17 And it came to pass, when Pharaoh had let the people go, that God led them not by the way of the land of the Philistines, although that was near, for God said, Lest perhaps the people regret when they see war, and they return to Egypt. 13:18 But God led the people about, by the way of the wilderness by the Red Sea. And the sons of Israel went up armed out of the land of Egypt. 13:19 And Moses took the bones of Joseph with him, for he had strictly sworn the sons of Israel, saying, God will surely visit you, and ye shall carry up my bones away from here with you. 13:20 And they took their journey from Succoth, and encamped in Etham, in the edge of the wilderness.

13:21 And Jehovah went before them by day in a pillar of cloud, to lead them the way, and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light, that they might go by day and by night. 13:22 The pillar of cloud by day, and the pillar of fire by night departed not from before the people.

14:1 And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, 14:2 Speak to the sons of Israel, that they turn back and encamp ... opposite it by the sea. 14:3 And Pharaoh will say of the sons of Israel, They are entangled in the land; the wilderness has shut them in. 14:4 And I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and he shall follow after them, and I will get for me honor upon Pharaoh, and upon all his army, and the Egyptians shall know that I am Jehovah. And they did so.

Pharaoh and His Army Pursue Israel

14:5 And it was told the king of Egypt that the people were fled. And the heart of Pharaoh and of his servants was changed towards the people, and they said, What is this we have done, that we have let Israel go from serving us? 14:6 And he made ready his chariot, and took his people with him. 14:7 And he took six hundred chosen chariots, and all the chariots of Egypt, and captains over all of them.

14:8 And Jehovah hardened the heart of Pharaoh king of Egypt, and he pursued after the sons of Israel, for the sons of Israel went out with a high hand. 14:9 And the Egyptians pursued after them, all the horses *and* chariots of Pharaoh, and his horsemen, and his army, and overtook them encamping by the sea

14:10 And when Pharaoh drew near, the sons of Israel lifted up their eyes, and, behold, the Egyptians were marching after them, and they were very afraid. And the sons of Israel cried out to Jehovah, 14:11 and they said to Moses, Because there were no graves in Egypt, have thou taken us away to die in the wilderness? Why have thou dealt thus with us, to bring us forth out of Egypt? 14:12 Is not this the word that we spoke to thee in Egypt, saying, Let us alone, that we may serve the Egyptians? For it were better for us to serve the Egyptians, than that we should die in the wilderness.

14:13 And Moses said to the people, Fear ye not. Stand still, and see the salvation of Jehovah, which he will work for you today, for the Egyptians whom ye have seen today, ye shall see them again no more forever. 14:14 Jehovah will fight for you, and ye shall keep silent.

14:15 And Jehovah said to Moses, Why do thou cry to me? Speak to the sons of Israel, that they go forward. 14:16 And lift

thou up thy rod, and stretch out thy hand over the sea, and divide it, and the sons of Israel shall go into the midst of the sea on dry ground.

14:17 And I, behold, I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians, and they shall go in after them, and I will get for me honor upon Pharaoh, and upon all his army, upon his chariots, and upon his horsemen. 14:18 And the Egyptians shall know that I am Jehovah, when I have gotten for me honor upon Pharaoh, upon his chariots, and upon his horsemen.

14:19 And the agent of God, who went before the camp of Israel, moved and went behind them, and the pillar of cloud moved from before them, and stood behind them. 14:20 And it came between the camp of Egypt and the camp of Israel. And the cloud and the darkness was there, yet it gave light by night. And the one did not come near the other all the night.

14:21 And Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and Jehovah caused the sea to go *back* by a strong east wind all the night, and made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided. 14:22 And the sons of Israel went into the midst of the sea upon the dry ground, and the waters were a wall to them on their right hand, and on their left. 14:23 And the Egyptians pursued, and went in after them into the midst of the sea, all Pharaoh's horses, his chariots, and his horsemen.

14:24 And it came to pass in the morning watch, that Jehovah looked forth upon the army of the Egyptians through the pillar of fire and of cloud, and troubled the army of the Egyptians. 14:25 And he took off their chariot wheels, and they drove them with difficulty, so that the Egyptians said, Let us flee from the face of Israel, for Jehovah fights for them against the Egyptians.

14:26 And Jehovah said to Moses, Stretch out thy hand over the sea, that the waters may come again upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots, and upon their horsemen. 14:27 And Moses stretched forth his hand over the sea, and the sea returned to its strength when the morning appeared, and the Egyptians fled against it, and Jehovah overthrew the Egyptians in the midst of the sea. 14:28 And the waters returned, and covered the chariots, and the horsemen, even all the army of Pharaoh who went in after them into the sea, there remained not so much as one of them.

14:29 But the sons of Israel walked upon dry land in the midst of the sea, and the waters were a wall to them on their right hand, and on their left. 14:30 Thus Jehovah saved Israel that day out of

the hand of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians dead upon the sea-shore.

^{14:31} And Israel saw the great work which Jehovah did upon the Egyptians. And the people feared Jehovah, and they believed in Jehovah, and in his servant Moses. ^{15:1} Then Moses and the sons of Israel sang this song to Jehovah, and spoke, saying, I will sing to Jehovah, for he has triumphed gloriously. The horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea. ... ^{15:20} And Miriam the prophetess, the sister of Aaron, took a timbrel in her hand, and all the women went out after her with timbrels and with dances. ^{15:21} And Miriam answered them, Sing ye to Jehovah, for he has triumphed gloriously. The horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.

The People Complain

^{15:22} And Moses led Israel onward from the Red Sea, and they went out into the wilderness of Shur. And they went three days in the wilderness, and found no water. ^{15:23} And when they came to Marah, they could not drink of the waters of Marah, for they were bitter. Therefore the name of it was called Marah. ^{15:24} And the people murmured against Moses, saying, What shall we drink? ^{15:25} And he cried to Jehovah. And Jehovah showed him a tree, and he cast it into the waters, and the waters were made sweet. ... ^{15:26} and he said, If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of Jehovah thy God, and will do that which is right in his eyes, and will give ear to his commandments, and keep all his statutes, I will put none of the diseases upon thee, which I have put upon the Egyptians, for I am Jehovah who heals thee. ...

^{15:27} And they came to Elim, where were twelve springs of water, and seventy palm trees, and they encamped there by the waters. ^{16:1} And they took their journey from Elim. And all the congregation of the sons of Israel came to the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after their departing out of the land of Egypt.

God Provides Manna and Quail For Them

^{16:2} And the whole congregation of the sons of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron in the wilderness. ^{16:3} And the sons of Israel said to them, Would that we had died by the hand of Jehovah in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the flesh-pots, when we ate bread to the full, for ye have brought us forth into this wilderness, to kill this whole assembly with hunger.

16:4 Then Jehovah said to Moses, Behold, I will rain bread from heaven for you, and the people shall go out and gather a day's portion every day, that I may prove them, whether they will walk in my law, or not. 16:5 And it shall come to pass on the sixth day, that they shall prepare that which they bring in, and it shall be twice as much as they gather daily.

16:6 And Moses and Aaron said to all the sons of Israel, At evening, then ye shall know that Jehovah has brought you out from the land of Egypt, 16:7 and in the morning, then ye shall see the glory of Jehovah, for he hears your murmurings against Jehovah. And what are we, that ye murmur against us? 16:8 And Moses said, *This shall be* when Jehovah shall give you flesh to eat in the evening, and bread to the full in the morning, for that Jehovah hears your murmurings which ye murmur against him. And what are we? Your murmurings are not against us, but against Jehovah.

16:9 And Moses said to Aaron, Say to all the congregation of the sons of Israel, Come near before Jehovah, for he has heard your murmurings. 16:10 And it came to pass, as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the sons of Israel, that they looked toward the wilderness, and, behold, the glory of Jehovah appeared in the cloud.

16:11 And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, 16:12 I have heard the murmurings of the sons of Israel. Speak to them, saying, At evening ye shall eat flesh, and in the morning ye shall be filled with bread. And ye shall know that I am Jehovah your God.

16:13 And it came to pass at evening, that the quails came up, and covered the camp. And in the morning the dew lay round about the camp, 16:14 and when the dew that lay was gone up, behold, upon the face of the wilderness a small round thing, small as the hoarfrost on the ground.

16:15 And when the sons of Israel saw it, they said one to another, What is it? For they knew not what it was. And Moses said to them, It is the bread which Jehovah has given you to eat. 16:16 This is the thing which Jehovah has commanded, Gather ye of it every man according to his eating, an omer a head. According to the number of your persons, ye shall take it, every man for those who are in his tent. 16:17 And the sons of Israel did so, and gathered, some more, some less. 16:18 And when they measured it with an omer, he who gathered much had nothing over, and he who gathered little had no lack; they gathered every man according to his eating.

16:19 And Moses said to them, Let no man leave of it till the morning. 16:20 Notwithstanding they did not hearken to Moses, but some of them left of it until the morning, and it bred worms, and became foul, and Moses was angry with them.

16:21 And they gathered it morning by morning, every man according to his eating. And when the sun grew hot, it melted. 16:22 And it came to pass, that on the sixth day they gathered twice as much bread, two omers for each one. And all the rulers of the congregation came and told Moses.

The Sabbath

16:23 And he said to them, This is that which Jehovah has spoken, Tomorrow is a solemn rest, a holy sabbath to Jehovah. Bake that which ye will bake, and boil that which ye will boil, and all that remains over lay up for you to be kept until the morning. 16:24 And they laid it up till the morning, as Moses bade, and it did not become foul, neither was there any worm in it.

16:25 And Moses said, Eat that today, for today is a sabbath to Jehovah. Today ye shall not find it in the field. 16:26 Six days ye shall gather it, but on the seventh day is the sabbath, there shall be none in it. 16:27 And it came to pass on the seventh day, that some of the people went out to gather, and they found none. 16:28 And Jehovah said to Moses, How long do ye refuse to keep my commandments and my laws? 16:29 See, because Jehovah has given you the sabbath, therefore he gives you on the sixth day the bread of two days. Abide ye every man in his place. Let no man go out of his place on the seventh day. 16:30 So the people rested on the seventh day.

16:31 And the house of Israel called the name of it Manna. And it was like coriander seed, white, and the taste of it was like wafers with honey. 16:32 And Moses said, This is the thing which Jehovah has commanded. Let an omerful of it be kept throughout your generations, that they may see the bread with which I fed you in the wilderness, when I brought you forth from the land of Egypt.

16:33 And Moses said to Aaron, Take a pot, and put an omerful of manna in it, and lay it up before Jehovah, to be kept throughout your generations. 16:34 As Jehovah commanded Moses, so Aaron laid it up before the Testimony, to be kept. 16:35 And the sons of Israel ate the manna forty years, until they came to a land inhabited. They ate the manna until they came to the borders of the land of Canaan. ...

The People Murmur Again

^{17:1} And all the congregation of the sons of Israel journeyed from the wilderness of Sin, by their journeys, according to the commandment of Jehovah, and encamped in Rephidim. And there was no water for the people to drink. ^{17:2} Therefore the people contended with Moses, and said, Give us water that we may drink. And Moses said to them, Why do ye contend with me? Why do ye challenge Jehovah? ^{17:3} And the people thirsted there for water. And the people murmured against Moses, and said, Why have thou brought us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our sons and our cattle with thirst?

^{17:4} And Moses cried to Jehovah, saying, What shall I do to this people? They are almost ready to stone me. ^{17:5} And Jehovah said to Moses, Pass on before the people, and take with thee from the elders of Israel, and thy rod, with which thou smote the river, take in thy hand, and go. ^{17:6} Behold, I will stand before thee there upon the rock in Horeb, and thou shalt smite the rock, and there shall come water out of it, that the people may drink. And Moses did so in the sight of the elders of Israel. ^{17:7} And he called the name of the place Massah and Meribah, because of the contending of the sons of Israel, and because they challenged Jehovah, saying, Is Jehovah among us, or not? ...

Moses' Family Brought from Midian

^{18:1} Now Jethro, the priest of Midian, Moses' father-in-law, heard of all that God had done for Moses, and for Israel his people, how that Jehovah had brought Israel out of Egypt. ^{18:2} And Jethro, Moses' father-in-law, took Zipporah, Moses' wife ... ^{18:3} and her two sons, of whom the name of the one was Gershom, for he said, I have been a sojourner in a foreign land. ^{18:4} And the name of the other was Eliezer, for *he said*, The God of my father was my help, and delivered me from the sword of Pharaoh. ... ^{18:6} And he said to Moses, I, thy father-in-law Jethro, have come to thee, and thy wife, and her two sons with her.

^{18:7} And Moses went out to meet his father-in-law, and did obeisance, and kissed him. And they asked each other of their welfare, and they came into the tent. ^{18:8} And Moses told his father-in-law all that Jehovah had done to Pharaoh and to the Egyptians for Israel's sake, all the travail that had come upon them by the way, and how Jehovah delivered them. ^{18:9} And Jethro rejoiced for all the goodness which Jehovah had done to

Israel, in that he had delivered them out of the hand of the Egyptians.

^{18:10} And Jethro said, Blessed be Jehovah, who has delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of Pharaoh, who has delivered the people from under the hand of the Egyptians. ^{18:11} Now I know that Jehovah is greater than all gods, yea, in the thing wherein they dealt proudly against them. ^{18:12} And Jethro, Moses' father-in-law, took a burnt offering and sacrifices for God. And Aaron came, and all the elders of Israel, to eat bread with Moses' father-in-law before God.

^{18:13} And it came to pass on the morrow, that Moses sat to judge the people, and the people stood about Moses from the morning to the evening. ^{18:14} And when Moses' father-in-law saw all that he did to the people, he said, What is this thing that thou do to the people? Why do thou sit by thyself, and all the people stand about thee from morning to evening?

^{18:15} And Moses said to his father-in-law, Because the people come to me to inquire of God. ^{18:16} When they have a matter, they come to me, and I judge between a man and his neighbor. And I make them know the statutes of God, and his laws.

^{18:17} And Moses' father-in-law said to him, The thing that thou do is not good. ^{18:18} Thou will surely wear away, both thou, and this people that is with thee, for the thing is too heavy for thee. Thou are not able to perform it thyself alone. ^{18:19} Hearken now to my voice. I will give thee counsel, and God be with thee. Be thou for the people toward God, and bring thou the cases to God. ^{18:20} And thou shall teach them the statutes and the laws, and shall show them the way in which they must walk, and the work that they must do.

^{18:21} Moreover thou shall provide out of all the people able men, such as fear God, men of truth, hating unjust gain, and place such over them, to be rulers of thousands, rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens, ^{18:22} and let them judge the people at all seasons. And it shall be, that every great matter they shall bring to thee, but every small matter they shall judge themselves. So shall it be easier for thyself, and they shall bear *the burden* with thee. ^{18:23} If thou shall do this thing, and God command thee so, then thou shall be able to endure, and all this people also shall go to their place in peace.

^{18:24} So Moses hearkened to the voice of his father-in-law, and did all that he had said. ^{18:25} And Moses chose able men out of all Israel, and made them heads over the people, rulers of thousands, rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens, ^{18:26}

and they judged the people at all seasons. The hard cases they brought to Moses, but every small matter they judged themselves. ^{18:27} And Moses let his father-in-law depart, and he went his way into his own land.

The Israelites Arrive At Mount Sinai

^{19:1} In the third month after the sons of Israel were gone forth out of the land of Egypt, the same day they came into the wilderness of Sinai. ^{19:2} And when they were departed from Rephidim, and came to the wilderness of Sinai, they encamped in the wilderness, and there Israel encamped before the mount.

^{19:3} And Moses went up to God. And Jehovah called to him out of the mountain, saying, Thus thou shalt say to the house of Jacob, and tell the sons of Israel: ^{19:4} Ye have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings, and brought you to myself. ^{19:5} Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be my own possession from among all peoples, for all the earth is mine, ^{19:6} and ye shall be to me a kingdom of priests, and a holy nation. These are the words which thou shalt speak to the sons of Israel.

^{19:7} And Moses came and called for the elders of the people, and set before them all these words which Jehovah commanded him. ^{19:8} And all the people answered together, and said, All that Jehovah has spoken we will do. And Moses reported the words of the people to Jehovah.

^{19:9} And Jehovah said to Moses, Lo, I come to thee in a thick cloud, that the people may hear when I speak with thee, and may also believe thee forever. And Moses told the words of the people to Jehovah. ^{19:10} And Jehovah said to Moses, Go to the people, and sanctify them today and tomorrow, and let them wash their garments, ^{19:11} and be ready for the third day, for the third day Jehovah will come down in the sight of all the people upon mount Sinai. ... ^{19:13} ... When the trumpet sounds long, they shall come up to the mount. ...

^{19:14} And Moses went down from the mount to the people, and sanctified the people, and they washed their garments. ^{19:15} And he said to the people, Be ready for the third day. ... ^{19:16} And it came to pass on the third day, when it was morning, that there were thunders and lightnings, and a thick cloud upon the mount, and the voice of an exceedingly loud trumpet. And all the people who were in the camp trembled.

^{19:17} And Moses brought forth the people out of the camp to meet God, and they stood at the lower part of the mount. ^{19:18}

And mount Sinai, the whole of it, smoked, because Jehovah descended upon it in fire, and the smoke of it ascended as the smoke of a furnace. And the whole mount quaked greatly.

^{19:19} And when the voice of the trumpet grew louder and louder, Moses spoke, and God answered him by a voice. ^{19:20} And Jehovah came down upon mount Sinai, to the top of the mount. And Jehovah called Moses to the top of the mount, and Moses went up. ... ^{19:24} And Jehovah said to him, Go, get thee down. And thou shalt come up, thou, and Aaron with thee, but do not let the priests and the people break through to come up to Jehovah, lest he break forth upon them. ^{19:25} So Moses went down to the people, and told them.

The Ten Commandments

- ^{20:1} And God spoke all these words, saying, ^{20:2} I am Jehovah thy God, who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. ^{20:3} Thou shalt have no other gods before me.
- ^{20:4} Thou shalt not make to thee a graven image, nor any likeness *of anything* that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. ^{20:5} Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them, for I, Jehovah thy God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the sons, upon the third and upon the fourth generation of those who hate me, ^{20:6} and showing loving kindness to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.
- ^{20:7} Thou shalt not take the name of Jehovah thy God in vain, for Jehovah will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.
- ^{20:8} Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. ^{20:9} Six days thou shalt labor, and do all thy work, ^{20:10} but the seventh day is a sabbath to Jehovah thy God. Thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy man-servant, nor thy maid-servant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates, ^{20:11} for in six days Jehovah made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore Jehovah blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.
- ^{20:12} Honor thy father and thy mother, that thy days may be long in the land which Jehovah thy God gives thee.
- ^{20:13} Thou shalt not murder.
- ^{20:14} Thou shalt not commit adultery.

- 20:15 Thou shall not steal.
- 20:16 Thou shall not bear false witness against thy neighbor.
- 20:17 Thou shall not covet thy neighbor's house. Thou shall not covet thy neighbor's wife, nor his man-servant, nor his maid-servant, nor his ox, nor his donkey, nor anything that is thy neighbor's.

The People Respond

20:18 And all the people perceived the thunderings, and the lightnings, and the voice of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking. And when the people saw it, they trembled, and stood afar off. 20:19 And they said to Moses, Speak thou with us, and we will hear, but let not God speak with us, lest we die. 20:20 And Moses said to the people, Fear not, for God has come to prove you, and that his fear may be before you, that ye not sin.

20:21 And the people stood afar off, and Moses drew near to the thick darkness where God was. 20:22 And Jehovah said to Moses, Thus thou shall say to the sons of Israel, Ye yourselves have seen that I have talked with you from heaven. 20:23 Ye shall not make *other gods* with me; gods of silver, or gods of gold, ye shall not make to you.

More of Jehovah's Laws

21:1 Now these are the ordinances which thou shall set before them. 21:2 If thou buy a Hebrew servant, six years he shall serve, and in the seventh he shall go out free for nothing. ...

21:12 He who smites a man, so that he dies, shall surely be put to death. ...

21:22 And if men strive together, and hurt a woman with child, so that her fruit depart, and yet no harm follow, he shall be surely fined, according as the woman's husband shall lay upon him, and he shall pay as the judges determine. 21:23 But if any harm follows, then thou shall give life for life, 21:24 eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot, 21:25 burning for burning, wound for wound, stripe for stripe. ...

21:28 And if an ox gores a man or a woman to death, the ox shall surely be stoned, and its flesh shall not be eaten, but the owner of the ox shall be acquitted. 21:29 But if the ox was accustomed to gore in time past, and it has been testified to its owner, and he has not kept it in, but it has killed a man or a woman, the ox shall be stoned, and its owner shall also be put to death. ...

22:1 If a man shall steal an ox, or a sheep, and kill it, or sell it, he shall pay five oxen for an ox, and four sheep for a sheep. ...

22:9 For every matter of trespass, whether it be for ox, for donkey, for sheep, for raiment, *or* for any manner of lost thing, of which a man says, This is it, the case of both parties shall come before God. He whom God shall condemn shall pay double to his neighbor. ...

22:25 If thou lend money to any of my people with thee who is poor, thou shall not be to him as a creditor, neither shall ye lay upon him interest. ...

23:4 If thou meet thine enemy's ox or his donkey going astray, thou shall surely bring it back to him again. ...

23:6 Thou shall not distort the justice *due* to thy poor in his case. 23:7 Keep thee far from a false matter.

And do not kill an innocent and righteous man, for I will not justify a wicked man.

23:8 And thou shall take no bribe, for a bribe blinds those who have sight, and perverts the words of the righteous. 23:9 And thou shall not oppress a sojourner, for ye know the heart of a sojourner, since ye were sojourners in the land of Egypt.

23:10 And six years thou shall sow thy land, and shall gather in the increase of it, 23:11 but the seventh year thou shall let it rest and lie fallow, that the poor of thy people may eat, and what they leave the beast of the field shall eat. In like manner thou shall deal with thy vineyard, *and* with thy oliveyard. ...

23:14 Three times thou shall keep a feast to me in the year. ...

God Will Fight for Them

23:20 Behold, I send an agent before thee, to keep thee by the way, and to bring thee into the place which I have prepared. ...

23:27 I will send my terror before thee, and will destroy all the people to whom thou shall come, and I will make all thine enemies turn their backs to thee. 23:28 And I will send the hornet before thee, which shall drive out the Hivite, the Canaanite, and the Hittite, from before thee. 23:29 I will not drive them out from before thee in one year, lest the land become desolate, and the beasts of the field multiply against thee. 23:30 Little by little I will drive them out from before thee, until thou be increased, and inherit the land.

23:31 And I will set thy border from the Red Sea even to the sea of the Philistines, and from the wilderness to the River. For I will deliver the inhabitants of the land into your hand, and thou shall

drive them out before thee. ^{23:32} Thou shall make no covenant with them, nor with their gods. ^{23:33} They shall not dwell in thy land, lest they make thee sin against me, for if thou serve their gods, it will surely be a snare to thee.

God Shows Himself to the Elders

^{24:1} And he said to Moses, Come up to Jehovah, thou, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel, and worship ye afar off. ^{24:2} And Moses alone shall come near to Jehovah, but they shall not come near, neither shall the people go up with him. ^{24:3} And Moses came and told the people all the words of Jehovah, and all the ordinances. And all the people answered with one voice, and said, All the words which Jehovah has spoken will we do. ^{24:4} And Moses wrote all the words of Jehovah, and rose up early in the morning, and built an altar below the mount, and twelve pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel. ... ^{24:7} And he took the book of the covenant, and read in the audience of the people. And they said, All that Jehovah has spoken will we do, and be obedient. ... ^{24:9} Then Moses, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up. ^{24:10} And they saw the God of Israel. And there was under his feet as it were a paved work of sapphire stone, and as it were the very heaven for clearness. ^{24:11} And he laid not his hand upon the nobles of the sons of Israel. And they beheld God, and ate and drank.

Instructions for the Tabernacle

^{24:12} And Jehovah said to Moses, Come up to me onto the mount, and be there, and I will give thee the tablets of stone, and the law and the commandment, which I have written, that thou may teach them. ...

^{24:15} And Moses went up onto the mount, and the cloud covered the mount. ^{24:16} And the glory of Jehovah abode upon mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days. And the seventh day he called to Moses out of the midst of the cloud. ^{24:17} And the appearance of the glory of Jehovah was like devouring fire on the top of the mount in the eyes of the sons of Israel. ^{24:18} And Moses entered into the midst of the cloud, and went up onto the mount. And Moses was on the mount forty days and forty nights.

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^{25:1} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{25:2} Speak to the sons of Israel, that they take for me an offering; of every man

whose heart makes him willing ye shall take my offering. ^{25:3} And this is the offering which ye shall take of them: gold, and silver, and brass, ^{25:4} and blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine linen, and goats' *hair*, ^{25:5} and rams' skins dyed red, and *certain* skins, and acacia wood, ^{25:6} oil for the light, spices for the anointing oil and for the sweet incense, ^{25:7} onyx stones, and stones to be set for the ephod and for the breastplate.

^{25:8} And let them make me a sanctuary, that I may dwell among them. ^{25:9} According to all that I show thee: the pattern of the tabernacle, and the pattern of all the furniture of it, even so shall ye make it.

^{25:10} And they shall make an ark of acacia wood. ... ^{25:11} And thou shall overlay it with pure gold. Inside and outside thou shall overlay it, and shall make upon it a crown of gold round about. ... ^{25:16} And thou shall put into the ark the testimony which I shall give thee. ^{25:17} And thou shall make a mercy-seat of pure gold ... ^{25:21} And thou shall put the mercy-seat above upon the ark. And in the ark thou shall put the testimony that I shall give thee. ^{25:22} And there I will meet with thee. And I will commune with thee from above the mercy-seat, from between the two cherubim which are upon the ark of the testimony, of all things which I will give thee in commandment to the sons of Israel.

^{25:23} And thou shall make a table of acacia wood, two cubits the length of it, and a cubit the breadth of it, and a cubit and a half the height of it. ^{25:24} And thou shall overlay it with pure gold, and make thereto a crown of gold round about. ... ^{25:31} And thou shall make a lampstand of pure gold. Of beaten work shall the lampstand be made, even its base, and its shaft, its cups, its knobs, and its flowers, shall be of one piece with it. ...

^{26:1} Moreover thou shall make the tabernacle with ten curtains, of fine twined linen, and blue, and purple, and scarlet, with cherubim the work of the skilful workman shall thou make them. ... ^{26:7} And thou shall make curtains of goats' *hair* for a tent over the tabernacle. Eleven curtains thou shall make them. ... ^{26:15} And thou shall make the boards for the tabernacle of acacia wood, standing up. ... ^{26:36} And thou shall make a screen for the door of the tent, of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen, the work of the embroiderer. ...

^{27:1} And thou shall make the altar of acacia wood, five cubits long, and five cubits broad (the altar shall be foursquare), and the height of it shall be three cubits. ^{27:2} And thou shall make the horns of it upon the four corners of it. The horns of it shall be of one piece with it, and thou shall overlay it with brass. ^{27:3} And thou shall make its pots to take away its ashes, and its shovels,

and its basins, and its flesh-hooks, and its firepans; all the vessels of it thou shall make of brass.

27:9 And thou shall make the court of the tabernacle. For the south side southward there shall be hangings for the court of fine twined linen a hundred cubits long for one side. ...

Instructions About The Priests

28:1 And bring thou near to thee Aaron thy brother, and his sons with him, from among the sons of Israel, that he may minister to me in the priest's office, even Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar, Aaron's sons. 28:2 And thou shall make holy garments for Aaron thy brother, for glory and for beauty. 28:3 And thou shall speak to all who are wise-hearted, whom I have filled with the spirit of wisdom, that they make Aaron's garments to sanctify him, that he may minister to me in the priest's office. 28:4 And these are the garments which they shall make: a breastplate, and an ephod, and a robe, and a tunic of checker work, a miter, and a sash. And they shall make holy garments for Aaron thy brother, and his sons, that he may minister to me in the priest's office. ...

29:1 And this is the thing that thou shall do to them to hallow them, to minister to me in the priest's office: Take one young bullock and two rams without blemish 29:35 And thus thou shall do to Aaron, and to his sons, according to all that I have commanded thee. Seven days thou shall consecrate them. 29:36 And every day thou shall offer the bullock of sin offering for atonement. And thou shall cleanse the altar when thou make atonement for it, and thou shall anoint it, to sanctify it. 29:37 Seven days thou shall make atonement for the altar, and sanctify it. And the altar shall be most holy. Whatever touches the altar shall be holy.

29:38 Now this is that which thou shall offer upon the altar: two lambs a year old day by day continually. 29:39 The one lamb thou shall offer in the morning, and the other lamb thou shall offer at evening. 29:40 And with the one lamb a tenth part of an ephah of fine flour mingled with the fourth part of a hin of beaten oil, and the fourth part of a hin of wine for a drink offering. 29:41 And the other lamb thou shall offer at evening, and shall do thereto according to the meal offering of the morning, and according to the drink offering of it, for a sweet savor, an offering made by fire to Jehovah. 29:42 It shall be a continual burnt offering throughout your generations at the door of the tent of meeting before Jehovah, where I will meet with you, to speak to thee there.

^{29:43} And there I will meet with the sons of Israel, and *the tent* shall be sanctified by my glory. ^{29:44} And I will sanctify the tent of meeting, and the altar. I will also sanctify Aaron and his sons to minister to me in the priest's office. ^{29:45} And I will dwell among the sons of Israel, and will be their God. ^{29:46} And they shall know that I am Jehovah their God, who brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, that I might dwell among them. I am Jehovah their God. ...

More Things for the Tabernacle

^{30:17} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{30:18} Thou shall also make a laver of brass, and the base of it of brass for washing. And thou shall put it between the tent of meeting and the altar, and thou shall put water in it. ^{30:19} And Aaron and his sons shall wash their hands and their feet there. ^{30:20} When they go into the tent of meeting, they shall wash with water, that they not die, or when they come near to the altar to minister, to burn an offering made by fire to Jehovah. ^{30:21} So they shall wash their hands and their feet, that they not die. And it shall be a statute forever to them, even to him and to his seed throughout their generations.

^{30:22} Moreover Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{30:23} Take thou also to thee the chief spices: of flowing myrrh five hundred *shekels*, and of sweet cinnamon half so much, even two hundred and fifty, and of sweet calamus two hundred and fifty, ^{30:24} and of cassia five hundred, after the shekel of the sanctuary, and of olive oil a hin. ^{30:25} And thou shall make it a holy anointing oil, a perfume compounded after the art of the perfumer. It shall be a holy anointing oil. ^{30:26} And thou shall anoint with it the tent of meeting, and the ark of the testimony, ^{30:27} and the table and all the vessels of it, and the lampstand and the vessels of it, and the altar of incense, ^{30:28} and the altar of burnt offering with all the vessels of it, and the laver and the base of it.

^{30:29} And thou shall sanctify them, that they may be most holy. Whatever touches them shall be holy. ^{30:30} And thou shall anoint Aaron and his sons, and sanctify them, that they may minister to me in the priest's office.

^{30:31} And thou shall speak to the sons of Israel, saying, This shall be a holy anointing oil to me throughout your generations. ^{30:32} Upon the flesh of man it shall not be poured, neither shall ye make any like it, according to the composition of it. It is holy, *and* it shall be holy to you. ^{30:33} Whoever compounds any like it, or whoever puts any of it upon a stranger, he shall be cut off from his people. ^{30:34} And Jehovah said to Moses, Take to thee sweet

spices, stacte, and onycha, and galbanum, sweet spices with pure frankincense, of each shall there be a like weight. ^{30:35} And thou shall make of it incense, a perfume after the art of the perfumer, seasoned with salt, pure *and* holy. ^{30:36} And thou shall beat some of it very small, and put of it before the testimony in the tent of meeting, where I will meet with thee. It shall be to you most holy. ^{30:37} And the incense which thou shall make, ye shall not make for yourselves according to the composition of it. It shall be to thee holy for Jehovah. ^{30:38} Whoever shall make like that, to smell of it, he shall be cut off from his people.

^{31:18} And he gave to Moses, when he had made an end of communing with him upon mount Sinai, the two tablets of the testimony, tablets of stone, written with the finger of God.

The Golden Calf

^{32:1} And when the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mount, the people gathered themselves together to Aaron, and said to him, Up, make gods for us, which shall go before us. For as for this Moses, the man that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we know not what has become of him.

^{32:2} And Aaron said to them, Break off the golden rings, which are in the ears of your wives, of your sons, and of your daughters, and bring them to me. ^{32:3} And all the people broke off the golden rings which were in their ears, and brought them to Aaron. ^{32:4} And he received it at their hand, and fashioned it with a graving tool, and made it a molten calf. And they said, These are thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.

^{32:5} And when Aaron saw *this*, he built an altar before it. And Aaron made proclamation, and said, Tomorrow shall be a feast to Jehovah. ^{32:6} And they rose up early on the morrow, and offered burnt offerings, and brought peace offerings. And the people sat down to eat and to drink, and rose up to revel.

^{32:7} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, Go, get thee down. For thy people, that thou brought up out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted themselves. ^{32:8} They have turned aside quickly out of the way which I commanded them. They have made for them a molten calf, and have worshiped it, and have sacrificed to it, and said, These are thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.

^{32:9} And Jehovah said to Moses, I have seen this people, and, behold, it is a stiff-necked people. ^{32:10} Now therefore let me

alone, that my wrath may grow hot against them, and that I may consume them. And I will make of thee a great nation.

^{32:11} And Moses besought Jehovah his God, and said, Jehovah, why does thy wrath grow hot against thy people, whom thou have brought forth out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? ^{32:12} Why should the Egyptians speak, saying, He brought them forth for evil, to kill them on the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth? Turn from thy fierce wrath, and relent of this evil against thy people. ^{32:13} Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, thy servants, to whom thou swore by thine own self, and said to them, I will multiply your seed as the stars of heaven. And all this land that I have spoken of I will give to your seed, and they shall inherit it forever. ^{32:14} And Jehovah relented of the evil which he said he would do to his people.

^{32:15} And Moses turned, and went down from the mount, with the two tablets of the testimony in his hand, tablets that were written on both their sides; on the one side and on the other were they written. ^{32:16} And the tablets were the work of God, and the writing was the writing of God, engraved upon the tablets.

^{32:17} And when Joshua heard the noise of the people as they shouted, he said to Moses, There is a noise of war in the camp. ^{32:18} And he said, It is not the voice of those who shout for mastery, neither is it the voice of those who cry for being overcome, but the noise of those who sing do I hear. ^{32:19} And it came to pass, as soon as he came near to the camp, that he saw the calf and the dancing. And Moses' anger grew hot, and he cast the tablets out of his hands, and broke them beneath the mount. ^{32:20} And he took the calf which they had made, and burnt it with fire, and ground it to powder, and scattered it upon the water, and made the sons of Israel drink of it.

^{32:21} And Moses said to Aaron, What did this people do to thee, that thou have brought a great sin upon them? ^{32:22} And Aaron said, Let not the anger of my lord grow hot. Thou know the people, that they are set on evil. ^{32:23} For they said to me, Make gods for us, which shall go before us. For as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we know not what has become of him. ^{32:24} And I said to them, Whoever has any gold, let them break it off. So they gave it to me, and I cast it into the fire, and there came out this calf.

^{32:25} And when Moses saw that the people were broken loose, (for Aaron had let them loose for a derision among their enemies,) ^{32:26} then Moses stood in the gate of the camp, and said,

Whoever is on Jehovah's side, *come* to me. And all the sons of Levi gathered themselves together to him.

32:27 And he said to them, Thus says Jehovah, the God of Israel, Put ye every man his sword upon his thigh, and go to and fro from gate to gate throughout the camp, and slay every man his brother, and every man his companion, and every man his neighbor. 32:28 And the sons of Levi did according to the word of Moses. And there fell of the people that day about three thousand men.

32:29 And Moses said, Consecrate yourselves today to Jehovah, yea, every man against his son, and against his brother, that he may bestow upon you a blessing this day. 32:30 And it came to pass on the morrow, that Moses said to the people, Ye have sinned a great sin. And now I will go up to Jehovah, perhaps I shall make atonement for your sin.

32:31 And Moses returned to Jehovah, and said, Oh, this people have sinned a great sin, and have made gods of gold for them. 32:32 Yet now, if thou wilt forgive their sin—, and if not, blot me, I pray thee, out of thy book which thou have written.

32:33 And Jehovah said to Moses, Whoever has sinned against me, him will I blot out of my book. 32:34 And now go, lead the people to *the place* of which I have spoken to thee. Behold, my agent shall go before thee. Nevertheless in the day when I visit, I will visit their sin upon them. 32:35 And Jehovah smote the people, because they made the calf, which Aaron made. ...

33:1 And Jehovah spoke to Moses, Depart, go up from here, thou and the people that thou have brought up out of the land of Egypt, to the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, To thy seed will I give it. 33:2 And I will send an agent before thee ... 33:3 to a land flowing with milk and honey. For I will not go up in the midst of thee, for thou art a stiff-necked people, lest I consume thee on the way. 33:4 And when the people heard these evil tidings, they mourned, and no man put his ornaments on him.

33:5 And Jehovah said to Moses, Say to the sons of Israel, Ye are a stiff-necked people. If I go up into the midst of thee for one moment, I shall consume thee. Therefore now put off thy ornaments from thee, that I may know what to do to thee. 33:6 And the sons of Israel stripped themselves of their ornaments from mount Horeb onward.

God Shows Moses Part of His Glory

^{33:7} Now Moses used to take the tent and to pitch it outside the camp, afar off from the camp, and he called it, The tent of meeting. And it came to pass, that everyone who sought Jehovah went out to the tent of meeting, which was outside the camp. ^{33:8} And it came to pass, when Moses went out to the tent, that all the people rose up, and stood, every man at his tent door, and looked after Moses, until he was gone into the tent. ^{33:9} And it came to pass, when Moses entered into the tent, the pillar of cloud descended, and stood at the door of the tent, and *Jehovah* spoke with Moses. ^{33:10} And all the people saw the pillar of cloud stand at the door of the tent. And all the people rose up and worshiped, every man at his tent door.

^{33:11} And Jehovah spoke to Moses face to face, as a man speaks to his friend, and he turned again into the camp. But his minister Joshua, the son of Nun, a young man, did not depart out of the tent. ^{33:12} And Moses said to Jehovah, See, thou say to me, Bring up this people, and thou have not let me know whom thou will send with me. Yet thou have said, I know thee by name, and thou have also found favor in my sight. ^{33:13} Now therefore, I pray thee, if I have found favor in thy sight, show me now thy ways, that I may know thee, to the end that I may find favor in thy sight. And consider that this nation is thy people.

^{33:14} And he said, My presence shall go *with thee*, and I will give thee rest. ^{33:15} And Moses said to him, If thy presence go not, do not carry us up from here. ^{33:16} For how shall it now be known that I have found favor in thy sight, I and thy people? Is it not in that thou go with us, so that we are separated, I and thy people, from all the people that are upon the face of the earth? ^{33:17} And Jehovah said to Moses, I will do this thing also that thou have spoken, for thou have found favor in my sight, and I know thee by name.

^{33:18} And he said, Show me, I pray thee, thy glory. ^{33:19} And he said, I will make all my goodness pass before thee, and will proclaim the name of Jehovah before thee. I will be merciful to whom I may be merciful, and I will be compassionate to whom-ever I may be compassionate. ^{33:20} And he said, Thou cannot see my face, for man shall not see me and live.

^{33:21} And Jehovah said, Behold, there is a place by me, and thou shall stand upon the rock. ^{33:22} And it shall come to pass, while my glory passes by, that I will put thee in a cleft of the rock, and will cover thee with my hand until I have passed by. ^{33:23} And

I will take away my hand, and thou shalt see my back, but my face shall not be seen.

Moses Returns onto the Mount

^{34:1} And Jehovah said to Moses, Hew thee two tablets of stone like the first, and I will write upon the tablets the words that were on the first tablets, which thou broke. ^{34:2} And be ready by the morning, and come up in the morning to mount Sinai, and present thyself there to me on the top of the mount. ... ^{34:4} And he hewed two tablets of stone like the first. And Moses rose up early in the morning, and went up to mount Sinai, as Jehovah had commanded him, and took in his hand two tablets of stone.

^{34:5} And Jehovah descended in the cloud, and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name of Jehovah. ^{34:6} And Jehovah passed by before him, and proclaimed, Jehovah, Jehovah, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abundant in loving kindness and truth, ^{34:7} keeping loving kindness for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, and who will by no means clear *the guilty*, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the sons, and upon the sons's sons, upon the third and upon the fourth generation.

^{34:8} And Moses made haste, and bowed his head toward the earth, and worshiped. ^{34:9} And he said, If now I have found favor in thy sight, O Lord, let the Lord, I pray thee, go in the midst of us, for it is a stiff-necked people, and pardon our iniquity and our sin, and take us for thine inheritance.

^{34:10} And he said, Behold, I make a covenant. Before all thy people I will do marvels, such as have not been wrought in all the earth, nor in any nation, and all the people among which thou art shall see the work of Jehovah, for it is an awesome thing that I do with thee. ^{34:11} Observe thou that which I command thee this day. Behold, I drive out before thee the Amorite, and the Canaanite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite. ^{34:12} Take heed to thyself, lest thou make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land where thou go, lest it be for a snare in the midst of thee. ^{34:13} But ye shall break down their altars, and dash in pieces their pillars, and ye shall cut down their Asherim, ^{34:14} for thou shalt worship no other god. For Jehovah, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God. ...

^{34:28} And he was there with Jehovah forty days and forty nights. He neither ate bread, nor drank water, and he wrote upon the tablets the words of the covenant, the ten commandments. ^{34:29} And it came to pass, when Moses came down from mount

Sinai with the two tablets of the testimony in Moses' hand, when he came down from the mount, that Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone by reason of his speaking with him.

^{34:30} And when Aaron and all the sons of Israel saw Moses, behold, the skin of his face shone, and they were afraid to come near him. ^{34:31} And Moses called to them. And Aaron and all the rulers of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke to them. ^{34:32} And afterward all the sons of Israel came near, and he gave them in commandment all that Jehovah had spoken with him on mount Sinai.

^{34:33} And when Moses was done speaking with them, he put a veil on his face. ^{34:34} But when Moses went in before Jehovah to speak with him, he took the veil off, until he came out. And he came out, and spoke to the sons of Israel that which he was commanded. ^{34:35} And the sons of Israel saw the face of Moses, that the skin of Moses' face shone. And Moses put the veil upon his face again until he went in to speak with him.

Building the Tabernacle

^{35:1} And Moses assembled all the congregation of the sons of Israel, and said to them, These are the words which Jehovah has commanded, that ye should do them. ... ^{35:10} And let every wise-hearted man among you come, and make all that Jehovah has commanded: ^{35:11} the tabernacle, its tent, and its covering

^{35:20} And all the congregation of the sons of Israel departed from the presence of Moses. ^{35:21} And they came, everyone whose heart stirred him up, and everyone whom his spirit made willing, *and* brought Jehovah's offering, for the work of the tent of meeting, and for all the service of it, and for the holy garments. ^{35:22} And they came, both men and women, as many as were willing-hearted, *and* brought brooches, and earrings, and signet-rings, and armlets, all jewels of gold, even every man who offered an offering of gold to Jehovah. ^{35:23} And every man, with whom was found blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine linen, and goats' *hair*, and rams' skins dyed red, and *certain* skins, brought them. ^{35:24} Everyone who offered an offering of silver and brass brought Jehovah's offering, and every man, with whom was found acacia wood for any work of the service, brought it. ^{35:25} And all the women who were wise-hearted spun with their hands, and brought that which they had spun: the blue, and the purple, the scarlet, and the fine linen. ^{35:26} And all the women whose heart stirred them up in wisdom spun the goats' *hair*. ^{35:27} And the rulers brought the onyx stones, and the stones to be

set, for the ephod, and for the breastplate, ^{35:28} and the spice, and the oil, for the light, and for the anointing oil, and for the sweet incense. ^{35:29} The sons of Israel brought a freewill offering to Jehovah, every man and woman, whose heart made them willing to bring for all the work, which Jehovah had commanded to be made by Moses. ...

^{36:2} And Moses called Bezalel and Oholiab, and every wise-hearted man, in whose heart Jehovah had put wisdom, even everyone whose heart stirred him up to come to the work to do it, ^{36:3} and they received from Moses all the offering which the sons of Israel had brought for the work of the service of the sanctuary, with which to make it. And they brought yet to him freewill offerings every morning.

^{36:4} And all the wise men, who wrought all the work of the sanctuary, came every man from his work which they wrought. ^{36:5} And they spoke to Moses, saying, The people bring much more than enough for the service of the work which Jehovah commanded to make. ^{36:6} And Moses gave commandment, and they caused it to be proclaimed throughout the camp, saying, Let neither man nor woman make any more work for the offering of the sanctuary. So the people were restrained from bringing. ^{36:7} For the stuff they had was sufficient for all the work to make it, and too much.

^{36:8} And all the wise-hearted men among them who wrought the work made the tabernacle ^{39:1} And of the blue, and purple, and scarlet, they made finely wrought garments, for ministering in the holy place, and made the holy garments for Aaron, as Jehovah commanded Moses. ...

^{39:32} Thus was finished all the work of the tabernacle of the tent of meeting. And the sons of Israel did according to all that Jehovah commanded Moses, so did they. ^{39:33} And they brought the tabernacle to Moses, the tent, and all its furniture ^{39:42} According to all that Jehovah commanded Moses, so the sons of Israel did all the work. ^{39:43} And Moses saw all the work, and, behold, they had done it, as Jehovah had commanded, even so they had done it. And Moses blessed them.

^{40:1} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{40:2} On the first day of the first month thou shall raise up the tabernacle of the tent of meeting. ... ^{40:12} And thou shall bring Aaron and his sons to the door of the tent of meeting, and shall wash them with water. ^{40:13} And thou shall put upon Aaron the holy garments, and thou shall anoint him, and sanctify him, that he may minister to me in the priest's office. ^{40:14} And thou shall bring his sons, and put tunics

upon them, ^{40:15} and thou shalt anoint them, as thou anointed their father, that they may minister to me in the priest's office. ...

^{40:16} Thus did Moses. According to all that Jehovah commanded him, so did he. ...

^{40:29} And he set the altar of burnt offering at the door of the tabernacle of the tent of meeting, and offered upon it the burnt offering and the meal offering, as Jehovah commanded Moses.

^{40:30} And he set the laver between the tent of meeting and the altar, and put water in it, with which to wash. ^{40:31} And Moses and Aaron and his sons washed their hands and their feet there. ^{40:32}

They washed when they went into the tent of meeting, and when they came near to the altar, as Jehovah commanded Moses. ^{40:33}

And he raised up the court round about the tabernacle and the altar, and set up the screen of the gate of the court. So Moses finished the work.

The Glory of God Fills The Tabernacle

^{40:34} Then the cloud covered the tent of meeting, and the glory of Jehovah filled the tabernacle. ^{40:35} And Moses was not able to enter into the tent of meeting, because the cloud abode thereupon, and the glory of Jehovah filled the tabernacle.

^{40:36} And when the cloud was taken up from over the tabernacle, the sons of Israel went onward, throughout all their journeys, ^{40:37} but if the cloud was not taken up, then they did not journey till the day that it was taken up. ^{40:38} For the cloud of Jehovah was upon the tabernacle by day, and there was fire therein by night, in the sight of all the house of Israel, throughout all their journeys.

Scriptures from Leviticus

Burnt, Meal, and Peace Offerings

^{1:1} And Jehovah called to Moses, and spoke to him out of the tent of meeting, saying, ^{1:2} Speak to the sons of Israel, and say to them, When any man of you offers an oblation to Jehovah, ye shall offer your oblation of the cattle, *even* of the herd and of the flock.

^{1:3} If his oblation be a burnt offering of the herd, he shall offer it a male without blemish. He shall offer it at the door of the tent of meeting, that he may be accepted before Jehovah. ^{1:4} And he shall lay his hand upon the head of the burnt offering, and it shall be accepted for him to make atonement for him. ... ^{1:17} ... and the priest shall burn it upon the altar, upon the wood that is upon the fire. It is a burnt offering, an offering made by fire, of a sweet savor to Jehovah.

^{2:1} And when anyone offers an oblation of a meal offering to Jehovah, his oblation shall be of fine flour, and he shall pour oil upon it, and put frankincense on it. ^{2:2} And he shall bring it to Aaron's sons the priests, and he shall take out of it his handful of the fine flour of it, and of the oil of it, with all the frankincense of it. And the priest shall burn the memorial of it upon the altar, an offering made by fire, of a sweet savor to Jehovah.

^{2:3} And that which is left of the meal offering shall be Aaron's and his sons'. It is a thing most holy of the offerings of Jehovah made by fire. ... ^{2:16} And the priest shall burn the memorial of it, part of the crushed grain of it, and part of the oil of it, with all the frankincense of it. It is an offering made by fire to Jehovah.

^{3:1} And if his oblation be a sacrifice of peace offerings, if he offer of the herd, whether male or female, he shall offer it without blemish before Jehovah. ... ^{3:17} It shall be a perpetual statute throughout your generations in all your dwellings, that ye shall eat neither fat nor blood.

Offerings for Unwitting Sins

^{4:1} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{4:2} Speak to the sons of Israel, saying, If a soul shall sin unwittingly, in any of the things which Jehovah has commanded not to be done, and shall do any one of them, ^{4:3} if the anointed priest shall sin so as to

bring guilt on the people, then let him offer for his sin, which he has sinned, a young bullock without blemish to Jehovah for a sin offering. ...

4:13 And if the whole congregation of Israel err, and the thing be hid from the eyes of the assembly, and they have done any of the things which Jehovah has commanded not to be done, and are guilty, 4:14 when the sin by which they have sinned is known, then the assembly shall offer a young bullock for a sin offering, and bring it before the tent of meeting. 4:15 And the elders of the congregation shall lay their hands upon the head of the bullock before Jehovah, and the bullock shall be killed before Jehovah.

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4:22 When a ruler sins, and does unwittingly any one of all the things which Jehovah his God has commanded not to be done, and is guilty, 4:23 if his sin, by which he has sinned, be made known to him, he shall bring for his oblation a goat, a male without blemish. ... 4:24 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of the goat, and kill it in the place where they kill the burnt offering before Jehovah. It is a sin offering. ...

4:27 And if any soul of the common people sin unwittingly, in doing any of the things which Jehovah has commanded not to be done, and be guilty, 4:28 if his sin, which he has sinned, be made known to him, then he shall bring for his oblation a goat, a female without blemish, for his sin which he has sinned. ... 4:35 ... And the priest shall make atonement for him concerning his sin that he has sinned, and he shall be forgiven.

5:1 And if a soul sins ... whether he has seen or known, if he does not testify, then he shall bear his iniquity. 5:2 Or if a soul touches any unclean thing ... and it be hidden from him, and he be unclean, then he shall be guilty. 5:3 Or if he touch the uncleanness of man ... and it be hid from him, when he knows of it, then he shall be guilty. 5:4 Or if a soul swears rashly with his lips to do evil, or to do good ... and it be hid from him, when he realizes it, then he shall be guilty in one of these.

5:5 And it shall be, when he shall be guilty in one of these, that he shall confess that by which he has sinned. 5:6 And he shall bring his trespass offering to Jehovah for his sin which he has sinned, a female from the flock, a lamb or a goat, for a sin offering. And the priest shall make atonement for him as concerning his sin. ...

The Trespass Offering

^{5:14} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{5:15} If a soul commits a trespass, and sins unwittingly in the holy things of Jehovah, then he shall bring his trespass offering to Jehovah, a ram without blemish out of the flock, according to thy estimation in silver by shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary, for a trespass offering.

^{5:16} And he shall make restitution for that which he has done amiss in the holy thing, and shall add the fifth part to it, and give it to the priest. And the priest shall make atonement for him with the ram of the trespass offering, and he shall be forgiven.

^{5:17} And if a soul sins, and does any of the things which Jehovah has commanded not to be done, though he did not know it, yet he is guilty, and shall bear his iniquity. ^{5:18} And he shall bring a ram without blemish out of the flock, according to thy estimation, for a trespass offering, to the priest. And the priest shall make atonement for him concerning the thing by which he erred unwittingly and knew it not, and he shall be forgiven. ^{5:19} It is a trespass offering. He is certainly guilty before Jehovah. ...

The Law of the Burnt and Meal Offerings

^{6:8} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{6:9} Command Aaron and his sons, saying, This is the law of the burnt offering: The burnt offering shall be on the hearth upon the altar all night to the morning, and the fire of the altar shall be kept burning on it. ...

^{6:12} And the fire upon the altar shall be kept burning on it; it shall not go out. And the priest shall burn wood on it every morning, and he shall lay the burnt offering in order upon it, and shall burn the fat of the peace offerings on it. ^{6:13} Fire shall be kept burning upon the altar continually; it shall not go out.

^{6:14} And this is the law of the meal offering: The sons of Aaron shall offer it before Jehovah, before the altar. ^{6:15} And he shall take up his handful from it, of the fine flour of the meal offering, and of the oil of it, and all the frankincense which is upon the meal offering, and shall burn it upon the altar for a sweet savor, as the memorial of it, to Jehovah.

^{6:16} And that which is left of it Aaron and his sons shall eat. It shall be eaten without leaven in a holy place. They shall eat it in the court of the tent of meeting. ^{6:17} It shall not be baked with leaven. I have given it as their portion of my offerings made by fire, it is most holy, as the sin offering, and as the trespass offering. ^{6:18} Every male among the sons of Aaron shall eat of it, as a

portion forever throughout your generations, from the offerings of Jehovah made by fire. Whoever touches them shall be holy.

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More Laws of Offerings

^{6:24} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{6:25} Speak to Aaron and to his sons, saying, This is the law of the sin offering: In the place where the burnt offering is killed the sin offering shall be killed before Jehovah. It is most holy. ^{6:26} The priest who offers it for sin shall eat it. It shall be eaten in a holy place, in the court of the tent of meeting. ...

^{7:1} And this is the law of the trespass offering. It is most holy. ^{7:2} In the place where they kill the burnt offering they shall kill the trespass offering, and the blood of it he shall sprinkle upon the altar round about. ...

^{7:11} And this is the law of the sacrifice of peace offerings, which he shall offer to Jehovah. ...

^{7:37} This is the law of the burnt offering, of the meal offering, and of the sin offering, and of the trespass offering, and of the consecration, and of the sacrifice of peace offerings, ^{7:38} which Jehovah commanded Moses at mount Sinai, in the day that he commanded the sons of Israel to offer their oblations to Jehovah, in the wilderness of Sinai. ...

Sanctifying the Tabernacle

^{8:10} And Moses took the anointing oil, and anointed the tabernacle and all that was in it, and sanctified them. ^{8:11} And he sprinkled of it upon the altar seven times, and anointed the altar and all its vessels, and the laver and its base, to sanctify them. ^{8:12} And he poured of the anointing oil upon Aaron's head, and anointed him, to sanctify him. ...

^{9:1} And it came to pass on the eighth day, that Moses called Aaron and his sons, and the elders of Israel, ^{9:2} and he said to Aaron, Take thee a calf of the herd for a sin offering, and a ram for a burnt offering, without blemish, and offer them before Jehovah. ...

^{9:5} And they brought that which Moses commanded before the tent of meeting, and all the congregation drew near and stood before Jehovah. ^{9:6} And Moses said, This is the thing which Jehovah commanded that ye should do, and the glory of Jehovah shall appear to you.

9:7 And Moses said to Aaron, Draw near to the altar, and offer thy sin offering, and thy burnt offering, and make atonement for thyself, and for the people. And offer the oblation of the people, and make atonement for them, as Jehovah commanded. ...

9:15 And he presented the people's oblation. And took the goat of the sin offering which was for the people, and killed it, and offered it for sin, as the first. 9:16 And he presented the burnt offering, and offered it according to the ordinance. 9:17 And he presented the meal offering, and filled his hand from it, and burnt it upon the altar, besides the burnt offering of the morning. 9:18 He also killed the ox and the ram, the sacrifice of peace offerings, which was for the people. ... 9:22 And Aaron lifted up his hands toward the people, and blessed them. And he came down from offering the sin offering, and the burnt offering, and the peace offerings.

9:23 And Moses and Aaron went into the tent of meeting, and came out, and blessed the people. And the glory of Jehovah appeared to all the people. 9:24 And there came forth fire from before Jehovah, and consumed the burnt offering and the fat upon the altar. And when all the people saw it, they shouted, and fell on their faces.

The Sin of Nadab and Abihu

10:1 And Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, each of them took his censer, and put fire in it, and laid incense on it, and offered strange fire before Jehovah, which he had not commanded them. 10:2 And there came forth fire from before Jehovah, and devoured them, and they died before Jehovah.

10:3 Then Moses said to Aaron, This is it that Jehovah spoke, saying, I will be sanctified in those who come near me. And I will be glorified before all the people. And Aaron remained silent.

10:4 And Moses called Mishael and Elzaphan, the sons of Uzziel the uncle of Aaron, and said to them, Draw near. Carry your brothers from before the sanctuary out of the camp. 10:5 So they drew near, and carried them in their tunics out of the camp, as Moses had said.

10:6 And Moses said to Aaron, and to Eleazar and to Ithamar, his sons, Let not the hair of your heads go loose, neither tear your clothes, that ye not die, and that he not be angry with all the congregation, but let your brothers, the whole house of Israel, bewail the burning which Jehovah has kindled. ...

The High Priest and Strong Drink

^{10:8} And Jehovah spoke to Aaron, saying, ^{10:9} Drink no wine nor strong drink, thou, nor thy sons with thee, when ye go into the tent of meeting, that ye not die—it shall be a statute forever throughout your generations— ^{10:10} and that ye may make a distinction between the holy and the common, and between the unclean and the clean, ^{10:11} and that ye may teach the sons of Israel all the statutes which Jehovah has spoken to them by Moses. ...

Laws About Eating Animals

^{11:1} And Jehovah spoke to Moses and to Aaron, saying to them, ^{11:2} Speak to the sons of Israel, saying, These are the living things which ye may eat among all the beasts that are on the earth. ^{11:3} Whatever parts the hoof, and is cloven footed, *and* chews the cud, among the beasts, that may ye eat. ... ^{11:9} These may ye eat of all that are in the waters: whatever has fins and scales in the waters, in the seas, and in the rivers, that may ye eat. ...

^{11:13} And these ye shall have in abomination among the birds, they shall not be eaten, they are an abomination: the eagle, and the vulture, and the osprey, ^{11:14} and the kite, and the falcon after its kind, ^{11:15} every raven after its kind, ^{11:16} and the ostrich, and the night-hawk, and the sea-gull, and the hawk after its kind, ^{11:17} and the little owl, and the cormorant, and the great owl, ^{11:18} and the horned owl, and the pelican, and the carrion vulture, ^{11:19} and the stork, the heron after its kind, and the hoopoe, and the bat.

^{11:20} All winged creeping things that go upon all fours are an abomination to you. ^{11:21} Yet these ye may eat of all winged creeping things that go upon all fours, which have legs above their feet, with which to leap upon the earth, ^{11:22} even these of them ye may eat: the locust after its kind, and the bald locust after its kind, and the cricket after its kind, and the grasshopper after its kind. ^{11:23} But all winged creeping things, which have four feet, are an abomination to you

^{11:26} Every beast which parts the hoof, and is not cloven footed, nor chews the cud, is unclean to you. ... ^{11:27} And whatever goes upon its paws, among all beasts that go on all fours, they are unclean to you. ... ^{11:29} And these are those which are unclean to you among the creeping things that creep upon the earth: the weasel, and the mouse, and the great lizard after its kind, ^{11:30} and the gecko, and the land-crocodile, and the lizard, and the

sand-lizard, and the chameleon. ^{11:31} These are those which are unclean to you among all that creep. ...

^{11:32} And upon whatever any of them falls when they are dead, it shall be unclean, whether it be any vessel of wood, or raiment, or skin, or sack. Whatever vessel it be, with which any work is done, it must be put into water, and it shall be unclean until the evening, then it shall be clean. ... ^{11:43} Ye shall not make yourselves abominable with any creeping thing that creeps, nor shall ye make yourselves unclean with them, that ye should be defiled by it.

^{11:44} For I am Jehovah your God. Sanctify yourselves therefore, and become ye holy, since I am holy. Neither shall ye defile yourselves with any manner of creeping thing that moves upon the earth. ^{11:45} For I am Jehovah who brought you up out of the land of Egypt, to be your God. Ye shall therefore be holy, for I am holy.

^{11:46} This is the law of the beast, and of the bird, and of every living creature that moves in the waters, and of every creature that creeps upon the earth, ^{11:47} to make a distinction between the unclean and the clean, and between the living thing that may be eaten and the living thing that may not be eaten.

Purification After Childbirth

^{12:1} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{12:2} Speak to the sons of Israel, saying, If a woman conceives seed, and bears a man-child, then she shall be unclean seven days, as in the days of the impurity of her sickness she shall be unclean. ^{12:3} And in the eighth day the flesh of his foreskin shall be circumcised.

^{12:4} And she shall continue in the blood of *her* purifying thirty-three days. She shall touch no hallowed thing, nor come into the sanctuary, until the days of her purifying be fulfilled. ^{12:5} But if she bears a maid-child, then she shall be unclean two weeks, as in her impurity, and she shall continue in the blood of *her* purifying sixty-six days.

^{12:6} And when the days of her purifying are fulfilled, for a son, or for a daughter, she shall bring a lamb a year old for a burnt offering, and a young pigeon, or a turtle-dove, for a sin offering, to the door of the tent of meeting, to the priest. ^{12:7} And he shall offer it before Jehovah, and make atonement for her, and she shall be cleansed from the fountain of her blood. This is the law for her who bears, whether a male or a female. ^{12:8} ... And the priest shall make atonement for her, and she shall be clean.

Leprous Diseases

^{13:1} And Jehovah spoke to Moses and to Aaron, saying, ^{13:2} When a man shall have in the skin of his flesh a rising, or a scab, or a bright spot, and it becomes in the skin of his flesh a leprous disease, then he shall be brought to Aaron the priest, or to one of his sons the priests. ^{13:3} And the priest shall look on the disease in the skin of the flesh, and if the hair in the disease has turned white, and the appearance of the disease is deeper than the skin of his flesh, it is a leprous disease. And the priest shall look on him, and pronounce him unclean. ... ^{13:27} And the priest shall look upon him the seventh day. If it spread abroad in the skin, then the priest shall pronounce him unclean; it is a leprous disease. ...

^{13:45} And the man with a leprous disease in whom the disease is, his clothes shall be torn, and the hair of his head shall go loose, and he shall cover his upper lip, and shall cry, Unclean, unclean. ^{13:46} All the days in which the disease is in him he shall be unclean; he is unclean. He shall dwell alone; his dwelling shall be outside the camp.

^{13:47} The garment also that a leprous disease is in, whether it be a woolen garment, or a linen garment, ^{13:48} whether it be in warp, or woof, of linen, or of woolen, whether in a skin, or in anything made of skin ... ^{13:59} This is the law of a leprous disease in a garment of woolen or linen, either in the warp, or the woof, or anything of skin, to pronounce it clean, or to pronounce it unclean. ...

^{14:1} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{14:2} This shall be the law of the man with a leprous disease in the day of his cleansing: He shall be brought to the priest, ^{14:3} and the priest shall go forth out of the camp. And the priest shall look, and, behold, if a leprous disease be healed ... ^{14:4} then the priest shall command to take two living clean birds, and cedar wood, and scarlet, and hyssop for him who is to be cleansed. ...

^{14:8} And he who is to be cleansed shall wash his clothes, and shave off all his hair, and bathe himself in water, and he shall be clean. And after that he shall come into the camp, but shall dwell outside his tent seven days. ... ^{14:10} And on the eighth day he shall take two he-lambs without blemish, and one ewe-lamb a year old without blemish, and three tenth parts of an *ephah* of fine flour for a meal offering, mingled with oil, and one log of oil.

^{14:11} And the priest who cleanses him shall set the man who is to be cleansed, and those things, before Jehovah, at the door of the tent of meeting. ... ^{14:20} And the priest shall offer the burnt

offering and the meal offering upon the altar, and the priest shall make atonement for him, and he shall be clean. ...

^{14:33} And Jehovah spoke to Moses and to Aaron, saying, ^{14:34} When ye have come into the land of Canaan, which I give to you for a possession, and I put a leprous disease in a house of the land of your possession, ^{14:35} then he who owns the house shall come and tell the priest, saying, There seems to me to be as it were a disease in the house. ^{14:36} And the priest shall command that they empty the house before the priest goes in to see the disease, that all that is in the house not be made unclean. And afterward the priest shall go in to see the house. ...

^{14:54} This is the law for all manner of a leprous disease, and for a scall, ^{14:55} and for a leprous disease of a garment, and for a house, ^{14:56} and for a rising, and for a scab, and for a bright spot, ^{14:57} to teach when it is unclean, and when it is clean. This is the law of a leprous disease. ...

The Day of Atonement and the Scapegoat

^{16:1} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, after the death of the two sons of Aaron, when they drew near before Jehovah, and died, ^{16:2} and Jehovah said to Moses, Speak to Aaron thy brother, that he not come at all times into the holy place within the veil, before the mercy-seat which is upon the ark, that he not die, for I will appear in the cloud upon the mercy-seat.

^{16:3} Aaron shall come into the holy place this way: with a young bullock for a sin offering, and a ram for a burnt offering. ^{16:4} He shall put on the holy linen tunic, and he shall have the linen breeches upon his flesh, and shall be girded with the linen sash, and he shall be attired with the linen miter. They are the holy garments, and he shall bathe his flesh in water, and put them on.

^{16:5} And he shall take from the congregation of the sons of Israel two he-goats for a sin offering, and one ram for a burnt offering. ^{16:6} And Aaron shall present the bullock of the sin offering, which is for himself, and make atonement for himself, and for his house.

^{16:7} And he shall take the two goats, and set them before Jehovah at the door of the tent of meeting. ^{16:8} And Aaron shall cast lots upon the two goats, one lot for Jehovah, and the other lot for the scapegoat. ^{16:9} And Aaron shall present the goat upon which the lot fell for Jehovah, and offer him for a sin offering. ^{16:10} But the goat, on which the lot fell for the scapegoat, shall be set alive before Jehovah, to make atonement for him, to send him away for the scapegoat into the wilderness.

^{16:11} And Aaron shall present the bullock of the sin offering, which is for himself, and shall make atonement for himself, and for his house, and shall kill the bullock of the sin offering which is for himself. ... ^{16:16} And he shall make atonement for the holy place, because of the uncleannesses of the sons of Israel, and because of their transgressions, even all their sins. And so he shall do for the tent of meeting that dwells with them in the midst of their uncleannesses. ...

^{16:20} And when he has made an end of atoning for the holy place, and the tent of meeting, and the altar, he shall present the live goat. ^{16:21} And Aaron shall lay both his hands upon the head of the live goat, and confess over him all the iniquities of the sons of Israel, and all their transgressions, even all their sins. And he shall put them upon the head of the goat, and shall send him away by the hand of a man who is in readiness into the wilderness. ^{16:22} And the goat shall bear upon him all their iniquities to a solitary land. And he shall let the goat go in the wilderness.

^{16:23} And Aaron shall come into the tent of meeting, and shall put off the linen garments, which he put on when he went into the holy place, and shall leave them there. ^{16:24} And he shall bathe his flesh in water in a holy place, and put on his garments, and come forth, and offer his burnt offering and the burnt offering of the people, and make atonement for himself and for the people. ...

^{16:29} And it shall be a statute forever to you. In the seventh month, on the tenth day of the month, ye shall afflict your souls, and shall do no manner of work, the home-born, or the stranger who sojourns among you. ^{16:30} For on this day atonement shall be made for you, to cleanse you. Ye shall be clean from all your sins before Jehovah. ^{16:31} It is a sabbath of solemn rest to you, and ye shall afflict your souls. It is a statute forever. ... ^{16:34} And this shall be an everlasting statute to you, to make atonement for the sons of Israel because of all their sins once in the year. And he did as Jehovah commanded Moses.

The Law Against Eating Blood

^{17:1} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying ... ^{17:10} And whatever man there is of the house of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn among them, who eats any manner of blood, I will set my face against that soul who eats blood, and will cut him off from among his people.

^{17:11} For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it to you upon the altar to make atonement for your souls, for it is

the blood that makes atonement by reason of the life. ^{17:12} Therefore I said to the sons of Israel, No soul of you shall eat blood, nor shall any stranger that sojourns among you eat blood.

^{17:13} And whatever man there is of the sons of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn among them, who takes any beast or bird in hunting that may be eaten, he shall pour out the blood of it, and cover it with dust. ^{17:14} For as to the life of all flesh, the blood of it is with the life of it. Therefore I said to the sons of Israel, Ye shall eat the blood of no manner of flesh, for the life of all flesh is the blood of it. Whoever eats it shall be cut off. ...

Jehovah Warns Against Foreign Customs

^{18:1} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{18:2} Speak to the sons of Israel, and say to them, I am Jehovah your God. ^{18:3} Ye shall not do after the doings of the land of Egypt, in which ye dwelt, and ye shall not do after the doings of the land of Canaan, where I bring you, nor shall ye walk in their statutes. ^{18:4} Ye shall do my ordinances, and ye shall keep my statutes, to walk therein. I am Jehovah your God. ^{18:5} Ye shall therefore keep my statutes, and my ordinances, which if a man does, he shall live in them. I am Jehovah. ...

^{18:21} And thou shall not give any of thy seed to make them pass through *the fire* to Molech, neither shall thou profane the name of thy God. I am Jehovah. ... ^{18:24} Do not defile ye yourselves in any of these things. For in all these the nations are defiled which I cast out from before you ... ^{18:30} Therefore ye shall keep my charge, that ye not practice any of these abominable customs, which were practiced before you, and that ye not defile yourselves in it. I am Jehovah your God.

More of Jehovah's Laws

^{19:1} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{19:2} Speak to all the congregation of the sons of Israel, and say to them, Ye shall be holy, for I Jehovah your God am holy. ^{19:3} Every man shall fear his mother and his father. And ye shall keep my sabbaths. I am Jehovah your God.

^{19:4} Turn ye not to idols, nor make to yourselves molten gods. I am Jehovah your God. ...

^{19:11} Ye shall not steal, nor shall ye deal falsely, nor lie one to another.

^{19:12} And ye shall not swear by my name falsely, and profane the name of thy God. I am Jehovah. ...

^{19:18} Thou shall not take vengeance, nor bear any grudge against the sons of thy people, but thou shall love thy neighbor as thyself. I am Jehovah. ...

^{19:30} Ye shall keep my sabbaths, and reverence my sanctuary. I am Jehovah.

^{19:31} Do not turn to those who have familiar spirits, nor to the wizards. Do not seek them out, to be defiled by them. I am Jehovah your God.

^{19:32} Thou shall rise up before the hoary head, and honor the face of the old man, and thou shall fear thy God. I am Jehovah.

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^{19:35} Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment, in measures of length, of weight, or of quantity. ^{19:36} Ye shall have just balances, just weights, a just ephah, and a just hin. I am Jehovah your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt. ^{19:37} And ye shall observe all my statutes, and all my ordinances, and do them. I am Jehovah.

^{20:1} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying ^{20:22} Ye shall therefore keep all my statutes, and all my ordinances, and do them, that the land, where I bring you to dwell in it, not vomit you out. ^{20:23} And ye shall not walk in the customs of the nation which I cast out before you, for they did all these things, and therefore I abhorred them. ^{20:24} But I have said to you, Ye shall inherit their land, and I will give it to you to possess it, a land flowing with milk and honey. I am Jehovah your God, who has separated you from the peoples. ... ^{21:24} So Moses spoke to Aaron, and to his sons, and to all the sons of Israel. ...

^{22:1} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{22:2} Speak to Aaron and to his sons, that they separate themselves from the holy things of the sons of Israel, which they hallow to me, and that they not profane my holy name. I am Jehovah. ^{22:3} Say to them, Whoever he is of all your seed throughout your generations, that approaches to the holy things, which the sons of Israel hallow to Jehovah, having his uncleanness upon him, that soul shall be cut off from before me. I am Jehovah. ...

Laws Against Blemished Offerings

^{22:18} Speak to Aaron, and to his sons, and to all the sons of Israel, and say to them, Whoever he is of the house of Israel, or of the sojourners in Israel, who offers his oblation, whether it be any of their vows, or any of their freewill offerings, which they offer to Jehovah for a burnt offering, ^{22:19} that ye may be

accepted, *ye shall offer* a male without blemish, of the bullocks, of the sheep, or of the goats.

22:20 But whatever has a blemish, that ye shall not offer, for it shall not be acceptable for you. 22:21 And whoever offers a sacrifice of peace offerings to Jehovah to accomplish a vow, or for a freewill offering, of the herd or of the flock, it shall be perfect to be accepted; there shall be no blemish in it. 22:22 Blind, or broken, or maimed, or having a skin tumor, or scurvy, or scabbed, ye shall not offer these to Jehovah, nor make an offering by fire of them upon the altar to Jehovah. ...

22:31 Therefore ye shall keep my commandments, and do them. I am Jehovah. 22:32 And ye shall not profane my holy name, but I will be hallowed among the sons of Israel. I am Jehovah who hallows you, 22:33 who brought you out of the land of Egypt, to be your God. I am Jehovah.

The Set Feasts

23:1 And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, 23:2 Speak to the sons of Israel, and say to them, The set feasts of Jehovah, which ye shall proclaim to be holy convocations, even these are my set feasts.

23:3 Six days shall work be done, but on the seventh day is a sabbath of solemn rest, a holy convocation. Ye shall do no manner of work. It is a sabbath to Jehovah in all your dwellings.

23:4 These are the set feasts of Jehovah, even holy convocations, which ye shall proclaim in their appointed season: 23:5 In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at evening, is Jehovah's Passover. 23:6 And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of unleavened bread to Jehovah. Ye shall eat unleavened bread seven days. 23:7 In the first day ye shall have a holy convocation. Ye shall do no job work. 23:8 But ye shall offer an offering made by fire to Jehovah seven days. In the seventh day is a holy convocation, ye shall do no job work. ...

23:15 And ye shall count to you from the morrow after the sabbath, from the day that ye brought the sheaf of the wave offering, there shall be complete seven sabbaths. 23:16 Ye shall number fifty days, even to the morrow after the seventh sabbath, and ye shall offer a new meal offering to Jehovah. ...

23:23 And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, 23:24 Speak to the sons of Israel, saying, In the seventh month, on the first day of the month, shall be a solemn rest to you, a memorial of blowing of trumpets, a holy convocation. 23:25 Ye shall do no job work, and ye shall offer an offering made by fire to Jehovah.

^{23:26} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{23:27} However on the tenth day of this seventh month is the day of atonement. It shall be a holy convocation to you, and ye shall afflict your souls, and ye shall offer an offering made by fire to Jehovah. ^{23:28} And ye shall do no manner of work in that same day, for it is a day of atonement, to make atonement for you before Jehovah your God.

^{23:29} For whatever soul it be who shall not be afflicted in that same day, he shall be cut off from his people. ^{23:30} And whatever soul it be who does any manner of work in that same day, that soul I will destroy from among his people. ^{23:31} Ye shall do no manner of work. It is a statute forever throughout your generations in all your dwellings. ^{23:32} It shall be to you a sabbath of solemn rest, and ye shall afflict your souls. In the ninth day of the month at evening, from evening to evening, ye shall keep your sabbath.

^{23:33} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{23:34} Speak to the sons of Israel, saying, On the fifteenth day of this seventh month is the feast of tabernacles for seven days to Jehovah. ^{23:35} On the first day shall be a holy convocation. Ye shall do no job work. ^{23:36} Seven days ye shall offer an offering made by fire to Jehovah. On the eighth day shall be a holy convocation to you, and ye shall offer an offering made by fire to Jehovah. It is a solemn assembly; ye shall do no job work.

^{23:37} These are the set feasts of Jehovah, which ye shall proclaim to be holy convocations, to offer an offering made by fire to Jehovah, a burnt offering, and a meal offering, a sacrifice, and drink offerings, each on its own day. ^{23:38} Besides the sabbaths of Jehovah, and besides your gifts, and besides all your vows, and besides all your freewill offerings, which ye give to Jehovah.

^{23:39} However on the fifteenth day of the seventh month, when ye have gathered in the fruits of the land, ye shall keep the feast of Jehovah seven days. On the first day shall be a solemn rest, and on the eighth day shall be a solemn rest. ^{23:40} And ye shall take to you on the first day the fruit of goodly trees, branches of palm trees, and boughs of thick trees, and willows of the brook, and ye shall rejoice before Jehovah your God seven days. ^{23:41} And ye shall keep it a feast to Jehovah seven days in the year. It is a statute forever throughout your generations. Ye shall keep it in the seventh month.

^{23:42} Ye shall dwell in booths seven days. All who are home-born in Israel shall dwell in booths, ^{23:43} that your generations may know that I made the sons of Israel to dwell in booths, when I brought them out of the land of Egypt. I am Jehovah your God.

23:44 And Moses declared to the sons of Israel the set feasts of Jehovah. ...

A Man Curses Jehovah

24:10 And the son of an Israelite woman, whose father was an Egyptian, went out among the sons of Israel. And the son of the Israelite woman and a man of Israel strove together in the camp, 24:11 and the son of the Israelite woman blasphemed the Name, and cursed. And they brought him to Moses. And his mother's name was Shelomith, the daughter of Dibri, of the tribe of Dan. 24:12 And they put him in ward, that it might be declared to them at the mouth of Jehovah.

24:13 And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, 24:14 Bring forth him who has cursed outside the camp, and let all who heard him lay their hands upon his head, and let all the congregation stone him.

24:15 And thou shall speak to the sons of Israel, saying, Whoever curses his God shall bear his sin. 24:16 And he who blasphemes the name of Jehovah, he shall surely be put to death. All the congregation shall certainly stone him. As well the sojourner, as the home-born, when he blasphemes the Name, shall be put to death.

24:17 And he who smites any man mortally shall surely be put to death. 24:18 And he who smites a beast mortally shall make it good, life for life. 24:19 And if a man causes a blemish in his neighbor, as he has done, so shall it be done to him: 24:20 injury for injury, eye for eye, tooth for tooth, as he has caused a blemish in a man, so shall it be rendered to him. 24:21 And he who kills a beast shall make it good. And he who kills a man shall be put to death. 24:22 Ye shall have one manner of law, as for the sojourner, as for the home-born, for I am Jehovah your God.

24:23 And Moses spoke to the sons of Israel, and they brought forth him who had cursed out of the camp, and stoned him with stones. And the sons of Israel did as Jehovah commanded Moses.

Seventh Year Sabbath and the Jubilee

25:1 And Jehovah spoke to Moses at mount Sinai, saying, 25:2 Speak to the sons of Israel, and say to them, When ye come into the land which I give you, then shall the land keep a sabbath to Jehovah. 25:3 Six years thou shall sow thy field, and six years thou shall prune thy vineyard, and gather in the fruits of it, 25:4 but

in the seventh year shall be a sabbath of solemn rest for the land, a sabbath to Jehovah. Thou shall neither sow thy field, nor prune thy vineyard.

^{25:5} That which grows of itself of thy harvest thou shall not reap, and the grapes of thy undressed vine thou shall not gather. It shall be a year of solemn rest for the land. ^{25:6} And the sabbath of the land shall be for food for you: for thee, and for thy servant and for thy maid, and for thy hired servant and for thy stranger, who sojourns with thee. ^{25:7} And for thy cattle, and for the beasts that are in thy land, all the increase of it shall be for food.

^{25:8} And thou shall number seven sabbaths of years to thee, seven times seven years, and there shall be to thee the days of seven sabbaths of years, even forty-nine years. ^{25:9} Then thou shall send abroad the loud trumpet on the tenth day of the seventh month. In the day of atonement ye shall send abroad the trumpet throughout all your land. ^{25:10} And ye shall hallow the fiftieth year, and proclaim liberty throughout the land to all the inhabitants of it. It shall be a jubilee to you, and ye shall return every man to his possession, and ye shall return every man to his family.

^{25:11} That fiftieth year shall be a jubilee to you. Ye shall not sow, neither reap that which grows of itself in it, nor gather in it of the undressed vines. ^{25:12} For it is a jubilee; it shall be holy to you. Ye shall eat the increase of it out of the field. ^{25:13} In this year of jubilee ye shall return every man to his possession. ... ^{25:18} Therefore ye shall do my statutes, and keep my ordinances and do them, and ye shall dwell in the land in safety. ^{25:19} And the land shall yield its fruit, and ye shall eat your fill, and dwell in safety in it.

^{25:20} And if ye shall say, What shall we eat the seventh year? Behold, we shall not sow, nor gather in our increase, ^{25:21} then I will command my blessing upon you in the sixth year, and it shall bring forth fruit for the three years. ^{25:22} And ye shall sow the eighth year, and eat of the fruits, the old storage, until the ninth year. Until its fruits come in, ye shall eat the old storage. ...

Promises for Obedience

^{26:1} Ye shall make for you no idols. Neither shall ye rear up for you a graven image, or a pillar. Neither shall ye place any figured stone in your land, to bow down to it. For I am Jehovah your God. ^{26:2} Ye shall keep my sabbaths, and reverence my sanctuary. I am Jehovah.

^{26:3} If ye walk in my statutes, and keep my commandments, and do them, ^{26:4} then I will give your rains in their season, and the land shall yield its increase, and the trees of the field shall yield their fruit. ^{26:5} And your threshing shall reach to the vintage, and the vintage shall reach to the sowing time, and ye shall eat your bread to the full, and dwell in your land safely.

^{26:6} And I will give peace in the land, and ye shall lie down, and none shall make you afraid. And I will cause evil beasts to cease out of the land, nor shall the sword go through your land.

^{26:7} And ye shall chase your enemies, and they shall fall before you by the sword. ^{26:8} And five of you shall chase a hundred, and a hundred of you shall chase ten thousand, and your enemies shall fall before you by the sword. ^{26:9} And I will have respect to you, and make you fruitful, and multiply you, and will establish my covenant with you. ^{26:10} And ye shall eat old storage long kept, and ye shall bring forth the old because of the new.

^{26:11} And I will set my tabernacle among you, and my soul shall not abhor you. ^{26:12} And I will walk among you, and will be your God, and ye shall be my people. ^{26:13} I am Jehovah your God, who brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, that ye should not be their bondmen. And I have broken the bars of your yoke, and made you go upright.

Punishments for Disobedience

^{26:14} But if ye will not hearken to me, and will not do all these commandments, ^{26:15} and if ye shall reject my statutes, and if your soul abhors my ordinances, so that ye will not do all my commandments, but break my covenant, ^{26:16} I also will do this to you: I will appoint terror over you, even consumption and fever, that shall consume the eyes, and make the soul to pine away. And ye shall sow your seed in vain, for your enemies shall eat it. ^{26:17} And I will set my face against you, and ye shall be smitten before your enemies. Those who hate you shall rule over you, and ye shall flee when no man pursues you.

^{26:18} And if for these things ye will not yet hearken to me, then I will chastise you seven times more for your sins. ^{26:19} And I will break the pride of your power. And I will make your sky as iron, and your earth as brass, ^{26:20} and your strength shall be spent in vain, for your land shall not yield its increase, nor shall the trees of the land yield their fruit.

^{26:21} And if ye walk contrary to me, and will not hearken to me, I will bring seven times more plagues upon you according to your sins. ^{26:22} And I will send the beast of the field among you,

which shall rob you of your sons, and destroy your cattle, and make you few in number, and your ways shall become desolate.

^{26:23} And if by these things ye will not be reformed to me, but will walk contrary to me, ^{26:24} then I also will walk contrary to you, and I will smite you, even I, seven times for your sins. ^{26:25} And I will bring a sword upon you that shall execute the vengeance of the covenant, and ye shall be gathered together within your cities. And I will send the pestilence among you, and ye shall be delivered into the hand of the enemy. ^{26:26} When I break your staff of bread, ten women shall bake your bread in one oven, and they shall deliver your bread again by weight, and ye shall eat, and not be satisfied.

^{26:27} And if for all this ye will not hearken to me, but walk contrary to me, ^{26:28} then I will walk contrary to you in wrath, and I also will chastise you seven times for your sins. ... ^{26:30} And I will destroy your high places, and cut down your sun-images, and cast your dead bodies upon the bodies of your idols, and my soul shall abhor you. ^{26:31} And I will make your cities a waste, and will bring your sanctuaries to desolation, and I will not smell the savor of your sweet odors. ^{26:32} And I will bring the land into desolation, and your enemies who dwell in it shall be astonished at it.

^{26:33} And I will scatter you among the nations, and I will draw out the sword after you, and your land shall be a desolation, and your cities shall be a waste. ... ^{26:38} And ye shall perish among the nations, and the land of your enemies shall eat you up. ^{26:39} And those who are left of you shall pine away in their iniquity in your enemies' lands, and also in the iniquities of their fathers they shall pine away with them.

^{26:40} And they shall confess their iniquity, and the iniquity of their fathers, in their trespass which they trespassed against me, and also that, because they walked contrary to me, ^{26:41} I also walked contrary to them, and brought them into the land of their enemies. If then their uncircumcised heart be humbled, and they then accept of the punishment of their iniquity, ^{26:42} then I will remember my covenant with Jacob, and also my covenant with Isaac, and also my covenant with Abraham will I remember, and I will remember the land. ^{26:43} The land also shall be left by them, and shall enjoy its sabbaths while it lies desolate without them. And they shall accept of the punishment of their iniquity, because, even because they rejected my ordinances, and their soul abhorred my statutes.

^{26:44} And yet for all that, when they are in the land of their enemies, I will not reject them, neither will I abhor them, to destroy

them utterly, and to break my covenant with them, for I am Jehovah their God, ^{26:45} but for their sakes I will remember the covenant of their ancestors, whom I brought forth out of the land of Egypt in the sight of the nations, that I might be their God. I am Jehovah. ^{26:46} These are the statutes and ordinances and laws, which Jehovah made between him and the sons of Israel at mount Sinai by Moses.

Redeeming Holy Things

^{27:1} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{27:2} Speak to the sons of Israel, and say to them, When a man shall accomplish a vow, the persons shall be for Jehovah by thy estimation. ... ^{27:12} and the priest shall value it, whether it be good or bad. As thou the priest values it, so shall it be. ^{27:13} But if he will indeed redeem it, then he shall add the fifth part of it to thy estimation.

^{27:14} And when a man shall sanctify his house to be holy to Jehovah, then the priest shall estimate it, whether it be good or bad. As the priest shall estimate it, so shall it stand. ... ^{27:28} Notwithstanding, nothing set apart, that a man shall set apart to Jehovah of all that he has, whether of man or beast, or of the field of his possession, shall be sold or redeemed; everything set apart is most holy to Jehovah.

^{27:29} No one set apart, who shall be set apart from among men, shall be ransomed; he shall surely be put to death. ^{27:30} And all the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land, or of the fruit of the tree, is Jehovah's; it is holy to Jehovah. ... ^{27:34} These are the commandments, which Jehovah commanded Moses for the sons of Israel at mount Sinai.

Scriptures from Numbers

The Israelites Are Numbered

^{1:1} And Jehovah spoke to Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, in the tent of meeting, on the first day of the second month, in the second year after they came out of the land of Egypt, saying, ^{1:2} Take ye the sum of all the congregation of the sons of Israel, by their families, by their fathers' houses, according to the number of the names, every male, by their polls, ^{1:3} from twenty years old and upward, all who are able to go forth to war in Israel. Thou and Aaron shall number them by their armies. ^{1:4} And with you there shall be a man of every tribe, each one head of his fathers' house. ...

^{1:17} And Moses and Aaron took these men who are mentioned by name, ^{1:18} and they assembled all the congregation together on the first day of the second month. And they declared their ancestry after their families, by their fathers' houses, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, by their polls. ^{1:19} As Jehovah commanded Moses, so he numbered them in the wilderness of Sinai. ...

^{1:45} So all those who were numbered of the sons of Israel by their fathers' houses, from twenty years old and upward, all who were able to go forth to war in Israel, ^{1:46} even all those who were numbered were six hundred three thousand and five hundred and fifty. ^{1:47} But the Levites according to the tribe of their fathers were not numbered among them.

Instructions About Camping

^{1:48} For Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{1:49} Only the tribe of Levi thou shall not number, neither shall thou take the sum of them among the sons of Israel, ^{1:50} but appoint thou the Levites over the tabernacle of the testimony, and over all the furniture of it, and over all that belongs to it. They shall bear the tabernacle, and all the furniture of it, and they shall minister to it, and shall encamp round about the tabernacle. ^{1:51} And when the tabernacle sets forward, the Levites shall take it down, and when the tabernacle is to be pitched, the Levites shall set it up. And the stranger who comes near shall be put to death.

^{1:52} And the sons of Israel shall pitch their tents, every man by his own camp, and every man by his own standard, according to their armies. ^{1:53} But the Levites shall encamp round about the tabernacle of the testimony, that there be no wrath upon the congregation of the sons of Israel. And the Levites shall keep the charge of the tabernacle of the testimony. ^{1:54} Thus did the sons of Israel. According to all that Jehovah commanded Moses, so they did.

^{2:1} And Jehovah spoke to Moses and to Aaron, saying, ^{2:2} The sons of Israel shall encamp every man by his own standard, with the ensigns of their fathers' houses. They shall encamp round about opposite the tent of meeting. ... ^{2:34} Thus did the sons of Israel. According to all that Jehovah commanded Moses, so they encamped by their standards, and so they set forward, everyone by their families, according to their fathers' houses. ...

The Levites Are Numbered and Set Apart

^{3:5} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{3:6} Bring the tribe of Levi near, and set them before Aaron the priest, that they may minister to him. ^{3:7} And they shall keep his charge, and the charge of the whole congregation before the tent of meeting, to do the service of the tabernacle. ...

^{3:12} And I, behold, I have taken the Levites from among the sons of Israel instead of all the firstborn who opens the womb among the sons of Israel. And the Levites shall be mine, ^{3:13} for all the firstborn are mine. On the day that I smote all the firstborn in the land of Egypt I hallowed to me all the firstborn in Israel, both man and beast. They shall be mine. I am Jehovah. ... ^{3:15} Number the sons of Levi by their fathers' houses, by their families. Thou shall number them, every male from a month old and upward.

^{3:16} And Moses numbered them according to the word of Jehovah, as he was commanded. ... ^{3:43} And all the firstborn males according to the number of names, from a month old and upward, of those who were numbered of them, were twenty-two thousand two hundred and seventy-three.

^{3:44} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{3:45} Take the Levites instead of all the firstborn among the sons of Israel, and the cattle of the Levites instead of their cattle. And the Levites shall be mine. I am Jehovah. ...

Instructions About Moving The Tabernacle

4:5 When the camp sets forward, Aaron shall go in, and his sons, and they shall take down the veil of the screen, and cover the ark of the testimony with it. ... 4:15 And when Aaron and his sons have made an end of covering the sanctuary, and all the furniture of the sanctuary, as the camp is set forward, after that, the sons of Kohath shall come to bear it, but they shall not touch the sanctuary, lest they die. These things are the burden of the sons of Kohath in the tent of meeting. ...

4:46 All those who were numbered of the Levites, whom Moses and Aaron and the rulers of Israel numbered, by their families, and by their fathers' houses, 4:47 from thirty years old and upward even to fifty years old, each man who entered in to do the work of service, and the work of bearing burdens in the tent of meeting, 4:48 even those who were numbered of them, were eight thousand and five hundred and eighty. 4:49 According to the commandment of Jehovah they were numbered by Moses, each man according to his service, and according to his burden. Thus they were numbered by him, as Jehovah commanded Moses.

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6:22 And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, 6:23 Speak to Aaron and to his sons, saying, This way ye shall bless the sons of Israel: Ye shall say to them, 6:24 Jehovah bless thee, and keep thee. 6:25 Jehovah make his face to shine upon thee, and be gracious to thee. 6:26 Jehovah lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace. 6:27 So shall they put my name upon the sons of Israel, and I will bless them.

7:1 And it came to pass on the day that Moses made an end of setting up the tabernacle, that he anointed it and sanctified it, and all the furniture of it, and the altar and all the vessels of it, and anointed them and sanctified them. 7:2 Then the rulers of Israel, the heads of their fathers' houses, offered. These were the rulers of the tribes. These are those who were over those who were numbered. 7:3 And they brought their oblation before Jehovah: six covered wagons, and twelve oxen; a wagon for every two of the rulers, and for each one an ox. And they presented them before the tabernacle.

7:4 And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, 7:5 Take it from them, that they may be *used* in doing the service of the tent of meeting. And thou shall give them to the Levites, to every man according to his service. 7:6 And Moses took the wagons and the oxen, and gave them to the Levites. ...

Led by the Divine Cloud

9:15 And on the day that the tabernacle was reared up the cloud covered the tabernacle, even the tent of the testimony, and at evening it was upon the tabernacle, as it were the appearance of fire, until morning. 9:16 So it was always: the cloud covered it, and the appearance of fire by night. 9:17 And whenever the cloud was taken up from over the tent, then after that the sons of Israel journeyed. And in the place where the cloud abode, there the sons of Israel encamped.

9:18 At the commandment of Jehovah the sons of Israel journeyed, and at the commandment of Jehovah they encamped. As long as the cloud abode upon the tabernacle they remained encamped. 9:19 And when the cloud tarried upon the tabernacle many days, then the sons of Israel kept the charge of Jehovah, and did not journey. 9:20 And sometimes the cloud was a few days upon the tabernacle, then according to the commandment of Jehovah they remained encamped, and according to the commandment of Jehovah they journeyed.

9:21 And sometimes the cloud was from evening until morning, and when the cloud was taken up in the morning, they journeyed, or *if* by day and by night, when the cloud was taken up, they journeyed. 9:22 Whether it was two days, or a month, or a year, that the cloud tarried upon the tabernacle, abiding on it, the sons of Israel remained encamped, and did not journey, but when it was taken up, they journeyed. 9:23 At the commandment of Jehovah they encamped, and at the commandment of Jehovah they journeyed. They kept the charge of Jehovah, at the commandment of Jehovah by Moses. ...

10:12 And the sons of Israel set forward according to their journeys out of the wilderness of Sinai, and the cloud abode in the wilderness of Paran. 10:13 And they first took their journey according to the commandment of Jehovah by Moses. ...

10:33 And they set forward from the mount of Jehovah three days' journey. And the ark of the covenant of Jehovah went before them three days' journey, to seek out a resting-place for them. 10:34 And the cloud of Jehovah was over them by day when they set forward from the camp. 10:35 And it came to pass, when the ark set forward, that Moses said, Rise up, O Jehovah, and let thine enemies be scattered, and let those who hate thee flee before thee. 10:36 And when it rested, he said, Return, O Jehovah, to the ten thousands of the thousands of Israel.

The People Complain Again

^{11:1} And the people were as murmurers, *speaking* evil in the ears of Jehovah. And when Jehovah heard it, his anger was kindled, and the fire of Jehovah burnt among them, and devoured in the outermost part of the camp. ^{11:2} And the people cried to Moses. And Moses prayed to Jehovah, and the fire abated. ...

^{11:4} And the mixed multitude that was among them lusted exceedingly. And the sons of Israel also wept again, and said, Who shall give us flesh to eat? ^{11:5} We remember the fish which we ate in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, and the melons, and the leeks, and the onions, and the garlic, ^{11:6} but now our soul is dried away. There is nothing at all except this manna to look upon. ...

Moses Prays for Help

^{11:10} And Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, every man at the door of his tent. And the anger of Jehovah was kindled greatly, and Moses was displeased.

^{11:11} And Moses said to Jehovah, Why have thou dealt ill with thy servant? And why have I not found favor in thy sight, that thou lay the burden of all this people upon me? ^{11:12} Have I conceived all this people? Have I brought them forth, that thou should say to me, Carry them in thy bosom, as a nurturing father carries the sucking child, to the land which thou swore to their fathers? ^{11:13} From where should I have flesh to give to all this people? For they weep to me, saying, Give us flesh, that we may eat. ^{11:14} I am not able to bear all this people alone, because it is too heavy for me. ^{11:15} And if thou deal thus with me, kill me, I pray thee, out of hand, if I have found favor in thy sight, and let me not see my wretchedness.

^{11:16} And Jehovah said to Moses, Gather to me seventy men of the elders of Israel, whom thou know to be the elders of the people and officers over them. And bring them to the tent of meeting, that they may stand there with thee. ^{11:17} And I will come down and talk with thee there. And I will take of the spirit which is upon thee, and will put it upon them, and they shall bear the burden of the people with thee, that thou not bear it thyself alone.

^{11:18} And say thou to the people, Sanctify yourselves against tomorrow, and ye shall eat flesh, for ye have wept in the ears of Jehovah, saying, Who shall give us flesh to eat? For it was well with us in Egypt. Therefore Jehovah will give you flesh, and ye

shall eat. ^{11:19} Ye shall not eat one day, nor two days, nor five days, neither ten days, nor twenty days, ^{11:20} but a whole month, until it comes out at your nostrils, and it be loathsome to you, because ye have rejected Jehovah who is among you, and have wept before him, saying, Why did we come forth out of Egypt?

^{11:21} And Moses said, The people, among whom I am, are six hundred thousand footmen, and thou have said, I will give them flesh, that they may eat a whole month. ^{11:22} Shall flocks and herds be slain for them, to suffice them? Or shall all the fish of the sea be gathered together for them, to suffice them?

^{11:23} And Jehovah said to Moses, Is Jehovah's hand grown short? Now thou shall see whether my word shall come to pass to thee or not. ^{11:24} And Moses went out, and told the people the words of Jehovah. And he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people, and set them round about the tent.

^{11:25} And Jehovah came down in the cloud, and spoke to him, and took of the spirit that was upon him, and put it upon the seventy elders. And it came to pass, that, when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied, but they did so no more. ^{11:26} But there remained two men in the camp, the name of the one was Eldad, and the name of the other Medad. And the spirit rested upon them. And they were of those who were written, but had not gone out to the tent. And they prophesied in the camp. ^{11:27} And a young man ran, and told Moses, and said, Eldad and Medad do prophesy in the camp.

^{11:28} And Joshua the son of Nun, the minister of Moses, one of his chosen men, answered and said, My lord Moses, forbid them. ^{11:29} And Moses said to him, Are thou jealous for my sake? Would that all of Jehovah's people were prophets, that Jehovah would put his spirit upon them!

^{11:30} And Moses went into the camp, he and the elders of Israel. ^{11:31} And there went forth a wind from Jehovah, and brought quails from the sea, and let them fall by the camp, about a day's journey on this side, and a day's journey on the other side, round about the camp, and about two cubits above the face of the earth.

^{11:32} And the people rose up all that day, and all the night, and all the next day, and gathered the quails. He who gathered least gathered ten homers. And they spread them all abroad for themselves round about the camp. ^{11:33} While the flesh was yet between their teeth, before it was chewed, the anger of Jehovah was kindled against the people, and Jehovah smote the people with a very great plague. ...

Miriam and Aaron Speak Against Moses

^{11:35} From Kibrothhattaavah the people journeyed to Hazeroth, and they abode at Hazeroth. ^{12:1} And Miriam and Aaron spoke against Moses because of the Cushite woman whom he had married ^{12:2} And they said, Has Jehovah indeed spoken only with Moses? Has he not spoken also with us? And Jehovah heard it. ^{12:3} Now the man Moses was very meek, above all the men who were upon the face of the earth.

^{12:4} And Jehovah spoke suddenly to Moses, and to Aaron, and to Miriam, Come out ye three to the tent of meeting. And the three came out. ^{12:5} And Jehovah came down in a pillar of cloud, and stood at the door of the tent, and called Aaron and Miriam. And they both came forth. ^{12:6} And he said, Hear now my words. If there be a prophet among you, I Jehovah will make myself known to him in a vision. I will speak with him in a dream.

^{12:7} My servant Moses is not so. He is faithful in all my house. ^{12:8} With him I will speak mouth to mouth, even manifestly, and not in dark speeches, and he shall behold the form of Jehovah. Why then were ye not afraid to speak against my servant, against Moses?

^{12:9} And the anger of Jehovah was kindled against them, and he departed. ^{12:10} And the cloud removed from over the tent. And, behold, Miriam was leprous, as snow. And Aaron looked upon Miriam, and, behold, she was leprous.

^{12:11} And Aaron said to Moses, Oh, my lord, lay not, I pray thee, sin upon us, in which we have done foolishly, and in which we have sinned. ^{12:12} Let her not, I pray, be as one dead ^{12:13} And Moses cried to Jehovah, saying, Heal her, O God, I beseech thee.

^{12:14} And Jehovah said to Moses, If her father had but spit in her face, should she not be ashamed seven days? Let her be shut up outside the camp seven days, and after that she shall be brought in again. ^{12:15} And Miriam was shut up outside the camp seven days. And the people journeyed not till Miriam was brought in again.

Spies Sent into the Promised Land

^{12:16} And afterward the people journeyed from Hazeroth, and encamped in the wilderness of Paran. ^{13:1} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{13:2} Send thou men, that they may spy out the land of Canaan, which I give to the sons of Israel. From every

tribe of their fathers ye shall send a man, each one a ruler among them.

^{13:3} And Moses sent them from the wilderness of Paran according to the commandment of Jehovah. All of them men who were heads of the sons of Israel. ... ^{13:17} And Moses sent them to spy out the land of Canaan, and said to them, Get you up this way by the South, and go up into the hill-country. ^{13:18} And see the land, what it is, and the people who dwell in it, whether they are strong or weak, whether they are few or many, ^{13:19} and what the land is that they dwell in, whether it is good or bad, and what cities they are that they dwell in, whether in camps, or in strongholds, ^{13:20} and what the land is, whether it is fat or lean, whether there is wood in it, or not. And be ye of good courage, and bring of the fruit of the land. Now the time was the time of the first-ripe grapes.

^{13:21} So they went up, and spied out the land ^{13:23} And they came to the valley of Eshcol, and cut down from there a branch with one cluster of grapes, and they bore it upon a staff between two, also of the pomegranates, and of the figs. ...

The Spies Report Back

^{13:25} And they returned from spying out the land at the end of forty days. ^{13:26} And they went and came to Moses, and to Aaron, and to all the congregation of the sons of Israel, to the wilderness of Paran, to Kadesh, and brought back word to them, and to all the congregation, and showed them the fruit of the land. ^{13:27} And they told him, and said, We came to the land where thou sent us. And surely it flows with milk and honey, and this is the fruit of it.

^{13:28} However the people who dwell in the land are strong, and the cities are fortified, very great, and moreover we saw the sons of Anak there. ^{13:29} Amalek dwells in the land of the South. And the Hittite, and the Jebusite, and the Amorite, dwell in the hill-country. And the Canaanite dwells by the sea, and along by the side of the Jordan. ^{13:30} And Caleb stilled the people before Moses, and said, Let us go up at once, and possess it, for we are well able to overcome it.

^{13:31} But the men who went up with him said, We are not able to go up against the people, for they are stronger than we. ^{13:32} And they brought up an evil report of the land which they had spied out to the sons of Israel, saying, The land, through which we have gone to spy it out, is a land that eats up the inhabitants of it. And all the people that we saw in it are men of great stat-

ure. 13:33 ... And we were in our own sight as grasshoppers, and so we were in their sight.

The People Become Fearful and Rebel

14:1 And all the congregation lifted up their voice, and cried, and the people wept that night. 14:2 And all the sons of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron. And the whole congregation said to them, Would that we had died in the land of Egypt, or would that we had died in this wilderness! 14:3 And why does Jehovah bring us to this land, to fall by the sword? Our wives and our little ones will be a prey. Were it not better for us to return into Egypt? 14:4 And they said one to another, Let us make a captain, and let us return into Egypt.

14:5 Then Moses and Aaron fell on their faces before all the assembly of the congregation of the sons of Israel. 14:6 And Joshua the son of Nun and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, who were of those who spied out the land, tore their clothes.

14:7 And they spoke to all the congregation of the sons of Israel, saying, The land, which we passed through to spy it out, is an exceedingly good land. 14:8 If Jehovah delights in us, then he will bring us into this land, and give it to us, a land which flows with milk and honey. 14:9 Only do not rebel against Jehovah, neither fear ye the people of the land, for they are bread for us. Their defense is removed from over them, and Jehovah is with us. Fear them not.

God Threatens to Destroy Them

14:10 But all the congregation bade stone them with stones. And the glory of Jehovah appeared in the tent of meeting to all the sons of Israel. 14:11 And Jehovah said to Moses, How long will this people despise me? And how long will they not believe in me, for all the signs which I have wrought among them? 14:12 I will smite them with the pestilence, and disinherit them, and will make of thee a nation greater and mightier than they.

14:13 And Moses said to Jehovah, Then the Egyptians will hear it, for thou brought up this people in thy might from among them, 14:14 and they will tell it to the inhabitants of this land. They have heard that thou Jehovah are in the midst of this people, for thou Jehovah are seen face to face, and thy cloud stands over them, and thou go before them, in a pillar of cloud by day, and in a pillar of fire by night.

14:15 Now if thou shall kill this people as one man, then the nations which have heard the fame of thee will speak, saying, 14:16 Because Jehovah was not able to bring this people into the land which he swore to them, therefore he has slain them in the wilderness.

14:17 And now, I pray thee, let the power of the Lord be great, according as thou have spoken, saying, 14:18 Jehovah is slow to anger, and abundant in loving kindness, forgiving iniquity and transgression, and that will by no means clear *the guilty*, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the sons, upon the third and upon the fourth generation. 14:19 Pardon, I pray thee, the iniquity of this people according to the greatness of thy loving kindness, and according as thou have forgiven this people, from Egypt even until now.

14:20 And Jehovah said, I have pardoned according to thy word, 14:21 but in very deed, as I live, and as all the earth shall be filled with the glory of Jehovah, 14:22 because all those men who have seen my glory, and my signs, which I wrought in Egypt and in the wilderness, yet have challenged me these ten times, and have not hearkened to my voice, 14:23 surely they shall not see the land which I swore to their fathers, neither shall any of them who despised me see it.

14:24 But my servant Caleb, because he had another spirit with him, and has followed me fully, him will I bring into the land into which he went, and his seed shall possess it. 14:25 Now the Amalekite and the Canaanite dwell in the valley. Tomorrow turn ye, and get you into the wilderness by the way to the Red Sea.

That Generation to Perish in the Wilderness

14:26 And Jehovah spoke to Moses and to Aaron, saying, 14:27 How long *shall I bear* with this evil congregation that murmur against me? I have heard the murmurings of the sons of Israel, which they murmur against me. 14:28 Say to them, As I live, says Jehovah, surely as ye have spoken in my ears, so will I do to you. 14:29 Your dead bodies shall fall in this wilderness. And all who were numbered of you, according to your whole number, from twenty years old and upward, who have murmured against me, 14:30 surely ye shall not come into the land, concerning which I swore that I would make you dwell in it, except Caleb the son of Jephunneh, and Joshua the son of Nun.

14:31 But your little ones, that ye said would be a prey, them I will bring in, and they shall know the land which ye have rejected. 14:32 But as for you, your dead bodies shall fall in this

wilderness. ^{14:33} And your sons shall be wanderers in the wilderness forty years, and shall bear your whoredoms, until your dead bodies be consumed in the wilderness.

^{14:34} After the number of the days in which ye spied out the land, even forty days, for every day a year, ye shall bear your iniquities, even forty years, and ye shall know my alienation. ^{14:35} I, Jehovah, have spoken, surely I will do this to all this evil congregation that are gathered together against me. In this wilderness they shall be consumed, and there they shall die.

^{14:36} And the men, whom Moses sent to spy out the land, who returned, and made all the congregation to murmur against him by bringing up an evil report against the land, ^{14:37} even those men who brought up an evil report of the land, died by the plague before Jehovah.

^{14:38} But Joshua the son of Nun, and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, remained alive of those men who went to spy out the land. ^{14:39} And Moses told these words to all the sons of Israel, and the people mourned greatly.

They Rebel Against Their Punishment

^{14:40} And they rose up early in the morning, and got up to the top of the mountain, saying, Lo, we are here, and will go up to the place which Jehovah has promised, for we have sinned.

^{14:41} And Moses said, Why do ye now transgress the commandment of Jehovah, seeing it shall not prosper? ^{14:42} Do not go up, for Jehovah is not among you, that ye be not smitten down before your enemies. ^{14:43} For there the Amalekite and the Canaanite are before you, and ye shall fall by the sword. Because ye have turned back from following Jehovah, therefore Jehovah will not be with you.

^{14:44} But they presumed to go up to the top of the mountain, nevertheless the ark of the covenant of Jehovah, and Moses, did not depart out of the camp. ^{14:45} Then the Amalekites came down, and the Canaanites who dwelt in that mountain, and smote them and beat them down, even to Hormah. ...

Korah's Rebellion

^{16:1} Now Korah, the son of Izhar, the son of Kohath, the son of Levi, with Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab, and On, the son of Peleth, sons of Reuben, took, ^{16:2} and they rose up before Moses, with certain of the sons of Israel, two hundred and fifty rulers of the congregation, called to the assembly, men of

renown, ^{16:3} and they assembled themselves together against Moses and against Aaron, and said to them, Ye take too much upon you, since all the congregation are holy, every one of them, and Jehovah is among them. Why then do ye lift up yourselves above the assembly of Jehovah?

^{16:4} And when Moses heard it, he fell upon his face. ^{16:5} And he spoke to Korah and to all his company, saying, In the morning Jehovah will show who are his, and who is holy, and will cause him to come near to him, even him whom he shall choose will he cause to come near to him. ...

^{16:8} And Moses said to Korah, Hear now, ye sons of Levi. ^{16:9} *Is it* a small thing to you, that the God of Israel has separated you from the congregation of Israel, to bring you near to himself, to do the service of the tabernacle of Jehovah, and to stand before the congregation to minister to them, ^{16:10} and that he has brought thee near, and all thy brothers the sons of Levi with thee? And ye seek the priesthood also? ^{16:11} Therefore thou and all thy company are gathered together against Jehovah. And Aaron, what is he that ye murmur against him?

^{16:12} And Moses sent to call Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab. And they said, We will not come up. ^{16:13} Is it a small thing that thou have brought us up out of a land flowing with milk and honey, to kill us in the wilderness, but thou must make thyself also a ruler over us? ^{16:14} Moreover thou have not brought us into a land flowing with milk and honey, nor given us inheritance of fields and vineyards. Will thou put out the eyes of these men? We will not come up.

^{16:15} And Moses was very angry, and said to Jehovah, Do not respect thou their offering. I have not taken one donkey from them, neither have I hurt one of them.

^{16:16} And Moses said to Korah, Be thou and all thy company before Jehovah, thou, and they, and Aaron, tomorrow. ^{16:17} And take ye every man his censer, and put incense upon them, and bring ye before Jehovah every man his censer, two hundred and fifty censers, thou also, and Aaron, each his censer.

^{16:18} And they took every man his censer, and put fire in them, and laid incense on it, and stood at the door of the tent of meeting with Moses and Aaron. ^{16:19} And Korah assembled all the congregation against them to the door of the tent of meeting. And the glory of Jehovah appeared to all the congregation.

Their Terrifying Punishment

^{16:20} And Jehovah spoke to Moses and to Aaron, saying, ^{16:21} Separate yourselves from among this congregation, that I may consume them in a moment. ^{16:22} And they fell upon their faces, and said, O God, the God of the spirits of all flesh, shall one man sin, and will thou be angry with all the congregation?

^{16:23} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{16:24} Speak to the congregation, saying, Get you up from about the tabernacle of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram.

^{16:25} And Moses rose up and went to Dathan and Abiram, and the elders of Israel followed him. ^{16:26} And he spoke to the congregation, saying, Depart, I pray you, from the tents of these wicked men, and touch nothing of theirs, lest ye be consumed in all their sins. ^{16:27} So they got up from the tabernacle of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram, on every side. And Dathan and Abiram came out, and stood at the door of their tents, and their wives, and their sons, and their little ones.

^{16:28} And Moses said, Hereby ye shall know that Jehovah has sent me to do all these works, for *it is* not of my own mind. ^{16:29} If these men die the common death of all men, or if they be visited after the visitation of all men, then Jehovah has not sent me. ^{16:30} But if Jehovah makes a new thing, and the ground opens its mouth, and swallows them up, with all that pertains to them, and they go down alive into Sheol, then ye shall understand that these men have despised Jehovah.

^{16:31} And it came to pass, as he made an end of speaking all these words, that the ground split asunder that was under them, ^{16:32} and the earth opened its mouth, and swallowed them up, and their households, and all the men that pertained to Korah, and all their goods. ^{16:33} So they, and all that pertained to them, went down alive into Sheol. And the earth closed upon them, and they perished from among the assembly.

^{16:34} And all Israel that were round about them fled at the cry of them, for they said, Lest the earth swallow us up. ^{16:35} And fire came forth from Jehovah, and devoured the two hundred and fifty men who offered the incense. ...

The People Blame Moses and Aaron

^{16:41} But on the morrow all the congregation of the sons of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron, saying, Ye have killed the people of Jehovah. ^{16:42} And it came to pass, when the congregation was assembled against Moses and

against Aaron, that they looked toward the tent of meeting, and, behold, the cloud covered it, and the glory of Jehovah appeared.

^{16:43} And Moses and Aaron came to the front of the tent of meeting.

^{16:44} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{16:45} Get you up from among this congregation, that I may consume them in a moment. And they fell upon their faces.

^{16:46} And Moses said to Aaron, Take thy censer, and put fire in it from off the altar, and lay incense on it, and carry it quickly to the congregation, and make atonement for them, for there is wrath gone out from Jehovah. The plague has begun.

^{16:47} And Aaron took as Moses spoke, and ran into the midst of the assembly. And, behold, the plague had begun among the people. And he put on the incense, and made atonement for the people. ^{16:48} And he stood between the dead and the living, and the plague was stopped. ^{16:49} Now those who died by the plague were fourteen thousand and seven hundred, besides those who died about the matter of Korah. ^{16:50} And Aaron returned to Moses to the door of the tent of meeting, and the plague was stopped.

Aaron's Rod That Budded

^{17:1} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{17:2} Speak to the sons of Israel, and take rods from them, one for each father's house, from all their rulers according to their fathers' houses, twelve rods. Write thou every man's name upon his rod. ^{17:3} And thou shall write Aaron's name upon the rod of Levi, for there shall be one rod for each head of their fathers' houses. ^{17:4} And thou shall lay them up in the tent of meeting before the testimony, where I meet with you. ^{17:5} And it shall come to pass, that the rod of the man whom I shall choose shall bud. And I will make to cease from me the murmurings of the sons of Israel, which they murmur against you.

^{17:6} And Moses spoke to the sons of Israel. And all their rulers gave him rods, for each ruler one, according to their fathers' houses, even twelve rods, and the rod of Aaron was among their rods. ^{17:7} And Moses laid up the rods before Jehovah in the tent of the testimony.

^{17:8} And it came to pass on the morrow, that Moses went into the tent of the testimony, and, behold, the rod of Aaron for the house of Levi was budded, and put forth buds, and produced blossoms, and bore ripe almonds. ^{17:9} And Moses brought out all

the rods from before Jehovah to all the sons of Israel. And they looked, and took every man his rod.

^{17:10} And Jehovah said to Moses, Put back the rod of Aaron before the testimony, to be kept for a sign against the sons of rebellion, that thou may make an end of their murmurings against me, that they not die. ^{17:11} Thus Moses did. As Jehovah commanded him, so he did. ...

More About the Levites

^{18:20} And Jehovah said to Aaron, Thou shall have no inheritance in their land, neither shall thou have any portion among them. I am thy portion and thine inheritance among the sons of Israel. ^{18:21} And to the sons of Levi, behold, I have given all the tithe in Israel for an inheritance, in return for their service which they serve, even the service of the tent of meeting.

^{18:22} And henceforth the sons of Israel shall not come near the tent of meeting, lest they bear sin, and die. ^{18:23} But the Levites shall do the service of the tent of meeting, and they shall bear their iniquity. It shall be a statute forever throughout your generations. And among the sons of Israel they shall have no inheritance. ^{18:24} For the tithe of the sons of Israel, which they offer as a heave offering to Jehovah, I have given to the Levites for an inheritance. Therefore I have said to them, Among the sons of Israel they shall have no inheritance. ...

Moses and Aaron Disobey and are Punished

^{20:1} And the sons of Israel, even the whole congregation, came into the wilderness of Zin in the first month, and the people abode in Kadesh. And Miriam died there, and was buried there.

^{20:2} And there was no water for the congregation, and they assembled themselves together against Moses and against Aaron. ^{20:3} And the people strove with Moses, and spoke, saying, Would that we had died when our brothers died before Jehovah! ^{20:4} And why have ye brought the assembly of Jehovah into this wilderness, that we should die there, we and our beasts? ^{20:5} And why have ye made us to come up out of Egypt, to bring us in to this evil place? It is no place of seed, or of figs, or of vines, or of pomegranates, neither is there any water to drink.

^{20:6} And Moses and Aaron went from the presence of the assembly to the door of the tent of meeting, and fell upon their faces. And the glory of Jehovah appeared to them.

^{20:7} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{20:8} Take the rod, and assemble the congregation, thou, and Aaron thy brother, and speak ye to the rock before their eyes, that it give forth its water, and thou shall bring forth water to them out of the rock. So thou shall give the congregation and their cattle drink.

^{20:9} And Moses took the rod from before Jehovah, as he commanded him. ^{20:10} And Moses and Aaron gathered the assembly together before the rock, and he said to them, Hear now, ye rebels. Shall we bring forth water to you out of this rock? ^{20:11} And Moses lifted up his hand, and smote the rock with his rod twice, and water came forth abundantly. And the congregation drank, and their cattle.

^{20:12} And Jehovah said to Moses and Aaron, Because ye did not believe in me, to sanctify me in the eyes of the sons of Israel, therefore ye shall not bring this assembly into the land which I have given them. ...

The Sons of Esau (Edom) Refuse Passage

^{20:14} And Moses sent messengers from Kadesh to the king of Edom, Thus says thy brother Israel, Thou know all the travail that has befallen us, ^{20:15} how our fathers went down into Egypt, and we dwelt in Egypt a long time. And the Egyptians dealt ill with us and our fathers. ^{20:16} And when we cried to Jehovah, he heard our voice, and sent an agent, and brought us forth out of Egypt. And, behold, we are in Kadesh, a city in the outermost of thy border.

^{20:17} Let us pass, I pray thee, through thy land. We will not pass through field or through vineyard, neither will we drink of the water of the wells. We will go along the king's highway. We will not turn aside to the right hand nor to the left, until we have passed thy border.

^{20:18} And Edom said to him, Thou shall not pass through me, lest I come out with the sword against thee. ^{20:19} And the sons of Israel said to him, We will go up by the highway. And if we drink of thy water, I and my cattle, then will I give the price of it. Only let me, without *doing* anything, pass through on my feet.

^{20:20} And he said, Thou shall not pass through. And Edom came out against him with many people, and with a strong hand. ^{20:21} Thus Edom refused to give Israel passage through his border. Therefore Israel turned away from him.

Aaron's Death

^{20:22} And they journeyed from Kadesh, and the sons of Israel, even the whole congregation, came to mount Hor. ^{20:23} And Jehovah spoke to Moses and Aaron in mount Hor, by the border of the land of Edom, saying, ^{20:24} Aaron shall be gathered to his people, for he shall not enter into the land which I have given to the sons of Israel, because ye rebelled against my word at the waters of Meribah. ^{20:25} Take Aaron and Eleazar his son, and bring them up to mount Hor, ^{20:26} and strip Aaron of his garments, and put them upon Eleazar his son. And Aaron shall be gathered, and shall die there.

^{20:27} And Moses did as Jehovah commanded. And they went up into mount Hor in the sight of all the congregation. ^{20:28} And Moses stripped Aaron of his garments, and put them upon Eleazar his son. And Aaron died there on the top of the mount, and Moses and Eleazar came down from the mount. ^{20:29} And when all the congregation saw that Aaron was dead, they wept for Aaron thirty days, even all the house of Israel. ...

God Sends Fiery Serpents

^{21:4} And they journeyed from mount Hor by the way to the Red Sea, to encompass the land of Edom. And the soul of the people was much discouraged because of the way. ^{21:5} And the people spoke against God, and against Moses, Why have ye brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no bread, and there is no water, and our soul loathes this light bread.

^{21:6} And Jehovah sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, and many people of Israel died. ^{21:7} And the people came to Moses, and said, We have sinned, because we have spoken against Jehovah, and against thee. Pray to Jehovah, that he take away the serpents from us. And Moses prayed for the people.

^{21:8} And Jehovah said to Moses, Make thee a fiery serpent, and set it upon a standard. And it shall come to pass, that everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live. ^{21:9} And Moses made a serpent of brass, and set it upon the standard. And it came to pass, that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he looked to the serpent of brass, he lived. ...

The Sons of Israel Defeat the Amorites

21:21 And Israel sent messengers to Sihon king of the Amorites, saying, 21:22 Let me pass through thy land. We will not turn aside into field, or into vineyard. We will not drink of the water of the wells. We will go by the king's highway, until we have passed thy border.

21:23 And Sihon would not allow Israel to pass through his border, but Sihon gathered all his people together, and went out against Israel into the wilderness, and came to Jahaz, and he fought against Israel.

21:24 And Israel smote him with the edge of the sword, and possessed his land ... 21:31 Thus Israel dwelt in the land of the Amorites. ...

Balaam Asked to Curse the Israelites

22:2 And Balak the son of Zippor saw all that Israel had done to the Amorites. 22:3 And Moab was exceedingly afraid of the people, because they were many. And Moab was distressed because of the sons of Israel. 22:4 And Moab said to the elders of Midian, Now will this multitude lick up all that is round about us, as the ox licks up the grass of the field. And Balak the son of Zippor was king of Moab at that time.

22:5 And he sent messengers to Balaam the son of Beor, to Pethor, which is by the River, to the land of the sons of his people, to call him, saying, Behold, a people came out from Egypt. Behold, they cover the face of the earth, and they abide opposite me. 22:6 Come now therefore, I pray thee, curse for me this people, for they are too mighty for me. Perhaps I shall prevail, that we may smite them, and that I may drive them out of the land. For I know that he whom thou bless is blessed, and he whom thou curse is cursed.

22:7 And the elders of Moab and the elders of Midian departed with the rewards of divination in their hand, and they came to Balaam, and spoke to him the words of Balak. 22:8 And he said to them, Lodge here this night, and I will bring you word again, as Jehovah shall speak to me. And the rulers of Moab abode with Balaam.

22:9 And God came to Balaam, and said, What men are these with thee? 22:10 And Balaam said to God, Balak the son of Zippor, king of Moab, has sent to me, saying, 22:11 Behold, the people came out of Egypt, it covers the face of the earth. Now, come

curse them for me. Perhaps I shall be able to fight against them, and shall drive them out.

22:12 And God said to Balaam, Thou shall not go with them. Thou shall not curse the people, for they are blessed.

22:13 And Balaam rose up in the morning, and said to the rulers of Balak, Get into your land, for Jehovah refuses to give me leave to go with you. 22:14 And the rulers of Moab rose up, and they went to Balak, and said, Balaam refuses to come with us. 22:15 And Balak sent yet again rulers, more, and more honorable than they.

22:16 And they came to Balaam, and said to him, Thus says Balak the son of Zippor, Let nothing, I pray thee, hinder thee from coming to me. 22:17 For I will promote thee to very great honor, and whatever thou say to me I will do. Come therefore, I pray thee, curse this people for me.

22:18 And Balaam answered and said to the servants of Balak, If Balak would give me his house full of silver and gold, I cannot go beyond the word of Jehovah my God, to do less or more. 22:19 Now therefore, I pray you, tarry ye also here this night, that I may know what Jehovah will speak to me more.

22:20 And God came to Balaam at night, and said to him, If the men come to call thee, rise up, go with them, but only the word which I speak to thee, that shall thou do.

Balaam's Donkey Speaks to Him

22:21 And Balaam rose up in the morning, and saddled his donkey, and went with the rulers of Moab. 22:22 And God's anger was kindled because he went, and the agent of Jehovah placed himself in the way for an adversary against him. Now he was riding upon his donkey, and his two servants were with him.

22:23 And the donkey saw the agent of Jehovah standing in the way, with his sword drawn in his hand, and the donkey turned aside out of the way, and went into the field. And Balaam smote the donkey, to turn her into the way.

22:24 Then the agent of Jehovah stood in a narrow path between the vineyards, a wall being on this side, and a wall on that side. 22:25 And the donkey saw the agent of Jehovah, and she thrust herself to the wall, and crushed Balaam's foot against the wall. And he smote her again.

22:26 And the agent of Jehovah went further, and stood in a narrow place, where was no way to turn either to the right hand or to the left. 22:27 And the donkey saw the agent of Jehovah, and

she lay down under Balaam. And Balaam's anger was kindled, and he smote the donkey with his staff. ^{22:28} And Jehovah opened the mouth of the donkey, and she said to Balaam, What have I done to thee, that thou have smitten me these three times?

^{22:29} And Balaam said to the donkey, Because thou have mocked me. I would there were a sword in my hand, for now I would have killed thee. ^{22:30} And the donkey said to Balaam, Am not I thy donkey, upon which thou have ridden all thy life long to this day? Was I ever accustomed to do so to thee? And he said, No.

^{22:31} Then Jehovah opened the eyes of Balaam, and he saw the agent of Jehovah standing in the way, with his sword drawn in his hand. And he bowed his head, and fell on his face.

^{22:32} And the agent of Jehovah said to him, Why have thou smitten thy donkey these three times? Behold, I have come forth as an adversary, because thy way is perverse before me. ^{22:33} And the donkey saw me, and turned aside before me these three times. Unless she had turned aside from me, surely now I would have even slain thee, and saved her alive.

^{22:34} And Balaam said to the agent of Jehovah, I have sinned, for I knew not that thou stood in the way against me. Now therefore, if it displease thee, I will get back again. ^{22:35} And the agent of Jehovah said to Balaam, Go with the men, but only the word that I shall speak to thee, that thou shall speak. So Balaam went with the rulers of Balak.

Balaam Meets Balak

^{22:36} And when Balak heard that Balaam came, he went out to meet him to the City of Moab, which is on the border of the Arnon, which is in the outmost part of the border. ^{22:37} And Balak said to Balaam, Did I not earnestly send to thee to call thee? Why did thou not come to me? Am I not able indeed to promote thee to honor?

^{22:38} And Balaam said to Balak, Lo, I have come to thee. Have I now any power at all to speak anything? The word that God puts in my mouth, that shall I speak. ^{22:39} And Balaam went with Balak, and they came to Kiriath-huzoth.

^{22:40} And Balak sacrificed oxen and sheep, and sent to Balaam, and to the rulers that were with him. ^{22:41} And it came to pass in the morning, that Balak took Balaam, and brought him up into the high places of Baal, and he saw from there the outmost part of the people.

^{23:1} And Balaam said to Balak, Build me here seven altars, and prepare me here seven bullocks and seven rams. ^{23:2} And Balak did as Balaam had spoken. And Balak and Balaam offered on every altar a bullock and a ram. ^{23:3} And Balaam said to Balak, Stand by thy burnt offering, and I will go. Perhaps Jehovah will come to meet me, and whatever he shows me I will tell thee. And he went to a bare height.

^{23:4} And God met Balaam, and he said to him, I have prepared the seven altars, and I have offered up a bullock and a ram on every altar. ^{23:5} And Jehovah put a word in Balaam's mouth, and said, Return to Balak, and thus thou shall speak. ^{23:6} And he returned to him. And, lo, he was standing by his burnt offering, he, and all the rulers of Moab.

Balaam Blesses Israel

^{23:7} And he took up his oracle, and said, From Aram Balak has brought me, the king of Moab from the mountains of the East. Come, curse Jacob for me, and come, defy Israel. ^{23:8} How shall I curse, whom God has not cursed? And how shall I defy, whom Jehovah has not defied? ^{23:9} For from the top of the rocks I see him, and from the hills I behold him. Lo, it is a people that dwells alone, and shall not be reckoned among the nations. ^{23:10} Who can count the dust of Jacob, or number the fourth part of Israel? Let me die the death of the righteous, and let my last end be like his!

^{23:11} And Balak said to Balaam, What have thou done to me? I took thee to curse my enemies, and, behold, thou have blessed them altogether. ^{23:12} And he answered and said, Must I not take heed to speak that which Jehovah puts in my mouth?

^{23:13} And Balak said to him, Come, I pray thee, with me to another place, from where thou may see them. Thou shall see but the outmost part of them, and shall not see them all, and curse them for me from there. ^{23:14} And he took him into the field of Zophim, to the top of Pisgah, and built seven altars, and offered up a bullock and a ram on every altar.

^{23:15} And he said to Balak, Stand here by thy burnt offering, while I meet *Jehovah* yonder. ^{23:16} And Jehovah met Balaam, and put a word in his mouth, and said, Return to Balak, and thus shall thou speak. ^{23:17} And he came to him. And, lo, he was standing by his burnt offering, and the rulers of Moab with him. And Balak said to him, What has Jehovah spoken?

Balaam Blesses Israel the Second Time

^{23:18} And he took up his oracle, and said, Rise up, Balak, and hear. Hearken to me, thou son of Zippor. ^{23:19} God is not a man, that he should lie, neither the son of man, that he should repent. Has he said, and will he not do it? Or has he spoken, and will he not make it good? ^{23:20} Behold, I have received to bless. And he has blessed, and I cannot reverse it.

^{23:21} He has not beheld iniquity in Jacob, neither has he seen perverseness in Israel. Jehovah his God is with him, and the shout of a king is among them. ^{23:22} God brings them forth out of Egypt. He has as it were the strength of the wild-ox. ^{23:23} Surely there is no enchantment with Jacob, neither is there any divination with Israel. Now it shall be said of Jacob and of Israel, What has God wrought! ^{23:24} Behold, the people rise up as a lioness, and as a lion he lifts himself up. He shall not lie down until he eats of the prey, and drinks the blood of the slain.

^{23:25} And Balak said to Balaam, Neither curse them at all, nor bless them at all. ^{23:26} But Balaam answered and said to Balak, Did I not tell thee, saying, All that Jehovah speaks, that I must do?

^{23:27} And Balak said to Balaam, Come now, I will take thee to another place. Perhaps it will please God that thou may curse them for me from there. ^{23:28} And Balak took Balaam to the top of Peor, that looks down upon the desert.

^{23:29} And Balaam said to Balak, Build for me here seven altars, and prepare for me here seven bullocks and seven rams. ^{23:30} And Balak did as Balaam had said, and offered up a bullock and a ram on every altar.

^{24:1} And when Balaam saw that it pleased Jehovah to bless Israel, he did not go, as at the other times, to meet with omens, but he set his face toward the wilderness. ^{24:2} And Balaam lifted up his eyes, and he saw Israel dwelling according to their tribes, and the Spirit of God came upon him.

Balaam Blesses Israel the Third Time

^{24:3} And he took up his oracle, and said, Balaam the son of Beor says, and the man whose eye was closed says, ^{24:4} he says who hears the words of God, who sees the vision of the Almighty, falling down, and having his eyes open, ^{24:5} How goodly are thy tents, O Jacob, thy tabernacles, O Israel! ^{24:6} As valleys they are spread forth, as gardens by the river-side, as aloes which Jehovah has planted, as cedar trees beside the

waters. ^{24:7} Water shall flow from his buckets, and his seed shall be in many waters, and his king shall be higher than Agag, and his kingdom shall be exalted. ^{24:8} God brings him forth out of Egypt. He has as it were the strength of the wild-ox. He shall eat up the nations his adversaries, and shall break their bones in pieces, and smite *them* through with his arrows. ^{24:9} He couched, he lay down as a lion, and as a lioness. Who shall rouse him up? He who blesses thee is blessed, And he who curses thee is cursed.

Balak Angrily Orders Balaam Away

^{24:10} And Balak's anger was kindled against Balaam, and he struck his hands together. And Balak said to Balaam, I called thee to curse my enemies, and, behold, thou have altogether blessed them these three times. ^{24:11} Therefore now flee thou to thy place. I thought to promote thee to great honor, but, lo, Jehovah has kept thee back from honor.

^{24:12} And Balaam said to Balak, Did I not also speak to thy messengers that thou sent to me, saying, ^{24:13} If Balak would give me his house full of silver and gold, I cannot go beyond the word of Jehovah, to do either good or bad of my own mind. What Jehovah speaks, that I will speak? ^{24:14} And now, behold, I go to my people. Come, I will advise thee what this people shall do to thy people in the latter days.

Balaam Blesses Israel the Fourth Time

^{24:15} And he took up his oracle, and said, Balaam the son of Beor says, and the man whose eye was closed says, ^{24:16} he says who hears the words of God, and knows the knowledge of the Most High, who sees the vision of the Almighty, falling down, and having his eyes open: ^{24:17} I see him, but not now. I behold him, but not near. There shall come forth a star out of Jacob, and a scepter shall rise out of Israel, and shall smite through the corners of Moab, and break down all the sons of tumult.

^{24:18} And Edom shall be a possession, Seir also shall be a possession, *who were* his enemies, while Israel does valiantly. ^{24:19} And out of Jacob shall come he who shall have dominion, and shall destroy the remnant from the city. ...

^{24:25} And Balaam rose up, and went and returned to his place, and Balak also went his way.

The Sons of Israel Sin with Alien Women

^{25:1} And Israel abode in Shittim. And the people began to play the harlot with the daughters of Moab, ^{25:2} for they called the people to the sacrifices of their gods. And the people ate, and bowed down to their gods. ^{25:3} And Israel joined himself to Baal-peor, and the anger of Jehovah was kindled against Israel. ^{25:4} And Jehovah said to Moses, Take all the chiefs of the people, and hang them up to Jehovah before the sun, that the fierce anger of Jehovah may turn away from Israel.

^{25:5} And Moses said to the judges of Israel, Kill ye every one his men who have joined themselves to Baal-peor. ^{25:6} And, behold, one of the sons of Israel came and brought to his brothers a Midianite woman in the sight of Moses, and in the sight of all the congregation of the sons of Israel, while they were weeping at the door of the tent of meeting.

^{25:7} And when Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, saw it, he rose up from the midst of the congregation, and took a spear in his hand. ^{25:8} And he went after the man of Israel into the tent, and thrust both of them through, the man of Israel, and the woman through her body. So the plague was stayed from the sons of Israel. ^{25:9} And those who died by the plague were twenty-four thousand.

^{25:10} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{25:11} Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, has turned my wrath away from the sons of Israel, in that he was jealous with my jealousy among them, so that I did not consume the sons of Israel in my jealousy. ^{25:12} Therefore say, Behold, I give to him my covenant of peace. ^{25:13} And it shall be to him, and to his seed after him, the covenant of an everlasting priesthood, because he was jealous for his God, and made atonement for the sons of Israel.

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Numbering the New Generation

^{26:1} And it came to pass after the plague, that Jehovah spoke to Moses and to Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest, saying, ^{26:2} Take the sum of all the congregation of the sons of Israel, from twenty years old and upward, by their fathers' houses, all who are able to go forth to war in Israel. ... ^{26:51} These are those who were numbered of the sons of Israel, six hundred one thousand seven hundred and thirty.

^{26:57} And these are those who were numbered of the Levites according to their families ... ^{26:62} And those who were numbered

of them were twenty-three thousand, every male from a month old and upward, for they were not numbered among the sons of Israel, because there was no inheritance given them among the sons of Israel. ^{26:63} These are those who were numbered by Moses and Eleazar the priest, who numbered the sons of Israel in the plains of Moab by the Jordan at Jericho.

^{26:64} But among these there was not a man of them who was numbered by Moses and Aaron the priest, who numbered the sons of Israel in the wilderness of Sinai. ^{26:65} For Jehovah had said of them, They shall surely die in the wilderness. And there was not a man of them left, except Caleb the son of Jephunneh, and Joshua the son of Nun.

The Daughters of Zelophehad

^{27:1} Then the daughters of Zelophehad ... of the families of Manasseh the son of Joseph, drew near. ... ^{27:2} And they stood before Moses, and before Eleazar the priest, and before the rulers and all the congregation, at the door of the tent of meeting, saying, ^{27:3} Our father died in the wilderness, and he was not among the company of those who gathered themselves together against Jehovah in the company of Korah, but he died in his own sin, and he had no sons. ^{27:4} Why should the name of our father be taken away from among his family, because he had no son? Give to us a possession among the brothers of our father.

^{27:5} And Moses brought their case before Jehovah. ^{27:6} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{27:7} The daughters of Zelophehad speak right. Thou shall surely give them a possession of an inheritance among their father's brothers, and thou shall cause the inheritance of their father to pass to them.

^{27:8} And thou shall speak to the sons of Israel, saying, If a man dies, and has no son, then ye shall cause his inheritance to pass to his daughter. ^{27:9} And if he has no daughter, then ye shall give his inheritance to his brothers. ^{27:10} And if he has no brothers, then ye shall give his inheritance to his father's brothers. ^{27:11} And if his father has no brothers, then ye shall give his inheritance to his kinsman who is next to him of his family, and he shall possess it. And it shall be to the sons of Israel a statute *and* ordinance, as Jehovah commanded Moses.

Joshua Appointed to Replace Moses

^{27:12} And Jehovah said to Moses, Get thee up onto this mountain of Abarim, and behold the land which I have given to the

sons of Israel. ^{27:13} And when thou have seen it, thou also shall be gathered to thy people, as Aaron thy brother was gathered, ^{27:14} because ye rebelled against my word in the wilderness of Zin, in the strife of the congregation, to sanctify me at the waters before their eyes. (These are the waters of Meribah of Kadesh in the wilderness of Zin.)

^{27:15} And Moses spoke to Jehovah, saying, ^{27:16} Let Jehovah, the God of the spirits of all flesh, appoint a man over the congregation, ^{27:17} who may go out before them, and who may come in before them, and who may lead them out, and who may bring them in, that the congregation of Jehovah be not as sheep which have no shepherd.

^{27:18} And Jehovah said to Moses, Take thee Joshua the son of Nun, a man in whom is the Spirit, and lay thy hand upon him, ^{27:19} and set him before Eleazar the priest, and before all the congregation, and give him a charge in their sight. ^{27:20} And thou shall put of thine honor upon him, that all the congregation of the sons of Israel may obey. ^{27:21} And he shall stand before Eleazar the priest, who shall inquire for him by the judgment of the Urim before Jehovah. At his word shall they go out, and at his word they shall come in, both he, and all the sons of Israel with him, even all the congregation.

^{27:22} And Moses did as Jehovah commanded him. And he took Joshua, and set him before Eleazar the priest, and before all the congregation. ^{27:23} And he laid his hands upon him, and gave him a charge, as Jehovah spoke by Moses.

More Commands About Offerings and Feasts

^{28:1} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{28:2} Command the sons of Israel, and say to them, My oblation, my food for my offerings made by fire, of a sweet savor to me, ye shall observe to offer to me in their due season. ^{28:3} And thou shall say to them, This is the offering made by fire which ye shall offer to Jehovah

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^{28:16} And in the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month, is Jehovah's Passover. ...

^{28:26} Also in the day of the first-fruits, when ye offer a new meal offering to Jehovah in your *feast of weeks*, ye shall have a holy convocation. Ye shall do no job work. ...

^{29:1} And in the seventh month, on the first day of the month, ye shall have a holy convocation. Ye shall do no job work. It is a day of blowing of trumpets to you. ...

^{29:39} These ye shall offer to Jehovah in your set feasts, besides your vows, and your freewill offerings, for your burnt offerings, and for your meal offerings, and for your drink offerings, and for your peace offerings. ^{29:40} And Moses told the sons of Israel according to all that Jehovah commanded Moses. ...

Vows That a Man Could Disallow

^{30:1} And Moses spoke to the heads of the tribes of the sons of Israel, saying, This is the thing which Jehovah has commanded. ^{30:2} When a man vows a vow to Jehovah, or swears an oath to bind his soul with a bond, he shall not break his word. He shall do according to all that proceeds out of his mouth.

^{30:3} Also when a woman vows a vow to Jehovah, and binds herself by a bond, being in her father's house, in her youth, ^{30:4} and her father hears her vow, and her bond with which she has bound her soul, and her father remains silent at her, then all her vows shall stand, and every bond with which she has bound her soul shall stand. ^{30:5} But if her father disallows her in the day that he hears, none of her vows, or of her bonds with which she has bound her soul, shall stand. And Jehovah will forgive her, because her father disallowed her.

^{30:6} And if she is *married* to a husband, while her vows are upon her, or the rash utterance of her lips, with which she has bound her soul, ^{30:7} and her husband hears it, and remains silent at her in the day that he hears it, then her vows shall stand, and her bonds with which she has bound her soul shall stand. ^{30:8} But if her husband disallows her in the day that he hears it, then he shall make void her vow which is upon her, and the rash utterance of her lips, with which she has bound her soul. And Jehovah will forgive her. ...

^{30:16} These are the statutes, which Jehovah commanded Moses, between a man and his wife, between a father and his daughter, being in her youth in her father's house. ...

Israel Sent to Destroy a Sinful Nation

^{31:1} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{31:2} Avenge the sons of Israel of the Midianites. Afterward thou shalt be gathered to thy people. ...

^{31:6} And Moses sent them, a thousand of every tribe, to the war, them and Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest, to the war, with the vessels of the sanctuary and the trumpets for the alarm in his hand. ^{31:7} And they warred against Midian as Jehovah

commanded Moses, and they killed every male. ^{31:8} And they killed the kings of Midian with the rest of their slain: Evi, and Rekem, and Zur, and Hur, and Reba, the five kings of Midian. They also killed Balaam the son of Beor with the sword.

^{31:9} And the sons of Israel took captive the women of Midian and their little ones. And all their cattle, and all their flocks, and all their goods, they took for a prey. ^{31:10} And all their cities in the places in which they dwelt, and all their encampments, they burnt with fire.

^{31:11} And they took all the spoil, and all the prey, both of man and of beast. ^{31:12} And they brought the captives, and the prey, and the spoil, to Moses, and to Eleazar the priest, and to the congregation of the sons of Israel, to the camp at the plains of Moab, which are by the Jordan at Jericho.

^{31:13} And Moses, and Eleazar the priest, and all the rulers of the congregation, went forth to meet them outside the camp. ^{31:14} And Moses was angry with the officers of the army, the captains of thousands and the captains of hundreds, who came from the service of the war.

^{31:15} And Moses said to them, Have ye saved all the women alive? ^{31:16} Behold, these caused the sons of Israel, through the counsel of Balaam, to commit trespass against Jehovah in the matter of Peor, and so the plague was among the congregation of Jehovah.

^{31:17} Now therefore kill every male among the little ones, and kill every woman that has known man by lying with him. ^{31:18} But all the women-children, who have not known man by lying with him, keep alive for yourselves. ^{31:19} And encamp ye outside the camp seven days. Whoever has killed any person, and whoever has touched any slain, purify yourselves on the third day and on the seventh day, ye and your captives. ...

Sharing the Treasures of War

^{31:21} And Eleazar the priest said to the men of war who went to the battle, This is the statute of the law which Jehovah has commanded Moses: ^{31:22} only the gold, and the silver, the brass, the iron, the tin, and the lead— ^{31:23} everything which may go into fire—ye shall make to go through the fire, and it shall be clean. Nevertheless it shall be purified with the water for impurity. And all that may not go into fire ye shall make to go through the water. ^{31:24} And ye shall wash your clothes on the seventh day, and ye shall be clean, and afterward ye shall come into the camp.

^{31:25} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{31:26} Take the sum of the prey that was taken, both of man and of beast, thou, and Eleazar the priest, and the heads of the fathers of the congregation, ^{31:27} and divide the prey into two parts: between the men skilled in war who went out to battle, and all the congregation.

^{31:28} And levy a tribute to Jehovah of the men of war who went out to battle: one soul of five hundred, *both* of the persons, and of the oxen, and of the donkeys, and of the flocks. ^{31:29} Take it of their half, and give it to Eleazar the priest, for Jehovah's heave offering. ^{31:30} And of the sons of Israel's half, thou shalt take one drawn out of every fifty, of the persons, of the oxen, of the donkeys, and of the flocks, *even* of all the cattle, and give them to the Levites, who keep the charge of the tabernacle of Jehovah. ^{31:31} And Moses and Eleazar the priest did as Jehovah commanded Moses. ...

Some Ask For Land East of Jordan

^{32:1} Now the sons of Reuben and the sons of Gad had a very great multitude of cattle. And when they saw the land of Jazer, and the land of Gilead, that, behold, the place was a place for cattle, ^{32:2} the sons of Gad and the sons of Reuben came and spoke to Moses, and to Eleazar the priest, and to the rulers of the congregation, saying ... ^{32:4} the land which Jehovah smote before the congregation of Israel, is a land for cattle, and thy servants have cattle. ^{32:5} And they said, If we have found favor in thy sight, let this land be given to thy servants for a possession. Bring us not over the Jordan.

^{32:6} And Moses said to the sons of Gad, and to the sons of Reuben, Shall your brothers go to the war, and shall ye sit here? ^{32:7} And why do ye discourage the heart of the sons of Israel from going over into the land which Jehovah has given them? ...

^{32:16} And they came near to him, and said, We will build sheepfolds here for our cattle, and cities for our little ones, ^{32:17} but we ourselves will be ready armed to go before the sons of Israel, until we have brought them to their place. And our little ones shall dwell in the fortified cities because of the inhabitants of the land. ^{32:18} We will not return to our houses until the sons of Israel have inherited every man his inheritance. ^{32:19} For we will not inherit with them on the other side of the Jordan, and forward, because our inheritance is fallen to us on this side of the Jordan eastward.

^{32:20} And Moses said to them, If ye will do this thing, if ye will arm yourselves to go before Jehovah to the war, ^{32:21} and every

armed man of you will pass over the Jordan before Jehovah, until he has driven out his enemies from before him, ^{32:22} and the land is subdued before Jehovah, then afterward ye shall return, and be guiltless towards Jehovah, and towards Israel, and this land shall be to you for a possession before Jehovah.

^{32:23} But if ye will not do so, behold, ye have sinned against Jehovah, and be sure your sin will find you out. ^{32:24} Build for you cities for your little ones, and folds for your sheep, and do that which has proceeded out of your mouth.

^{32:25} And the sons of Gad and the sons of Reuben spoke to Moses, saying, Thy servants will do as my lord commands. ^{32:26} Our little ones, our wives, our flocks, and all our cattle, shall be there in the cities of Gilead, ^{32:27} but thy servants will pass over, every man who is armed for war, before Jehovah to battle, as my lord says.

^{32:28} So Moses gave charge concerning them to Eleazar the priest, and to Joshua the son of Nun, and to the heads of the fathers of the tribes of the sons of Israel. ^{32:29} And Moses said to them, If the sons of Gad and the sons of Reuben will pass with you over the Jordan, every man that is armed to battle, before Jehovah, and the land shall be subdued before you, then ye shall give them the land of Gilead for a possession, ^{32:30} but if they will not pass over with you armed, they shall have possessions among you in the land of Canaan.

^{32:31} And the sons of Gad and the sons of Reuben answered, saying, As Jehovah has said to thy servants, so we will do. ^{32:32} We will pass over armed before Jehovah into the land of Canaan, and the possession of our inheritance *is* with us beyond the Jordan.

^{32:33} And Moses gave to them, even to the sons of Gad, and to the sons of Reuben, and to the half-tribe of Manasseh the son of Joseph, the kingdom of Sihon king of the Amorites, and the kingdom of Og king of Bashan, the land, according to the cities of it with *their* borders, even the cities of the land round about. ...

Instructions for Dividing the Land

^{33:1} These are the journeys of the sons of Israel when they went forth out of the land of Egypt by their armies under the hand of Moses and Aaron. ^{33:2} And Moses wrote their goings out according to their journeys by the commandment of Jehovah. ...

^{33:50} And Jehovah spoke to Moses in the plains of Moab by the Jordan at Jericho, saying, ^{33:51} Speak to the sons of Israel, and say to them, When ye pass over the Jordan into the land of

Canaan, ^{33:52} then ye shall drive out all the inhabitants of the land from before you, and destroy all their figured *stones*, and destroy all their molten images, and demolish all their high places. ^{33:53} And ye shall take possession of the land, and dwell in it, for to you I have given the land to possess it. ^{33:54} And ye shall inherit the land by lot according to your families. To the more ye shall give more inheritance, and to the few thou shall give less inheritance. Wherever the lot falls to any man, that shall be his. Ye shall inherit according to the tribes of your fathers. ^{33:55} But if ye will not drive out the inhabitants of the land from before you, then those that ye let remain of them shall be as pricks in your eyes, and as thorns in your sides, and they shall vex you in the land in which ye dwell. ^{33:56} And it shall come to pass, that, as I thought to do to them, so I will do to you.

^{34:16} And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, ^{34:17} These are the names of the men who shall divide the land to you for inheritance: Eleazar the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun. ^{34:18} And ye shall take one ruler of every tribe, to divide the land for inheritance.

The Cities of Refuge

^{35:1} And Jehovah spoke to Moses in the plains of Moab by the Jordan at Jericho, saying, ^{35:2} Command the sons of Israel, that they give to the Levites from the inheritance of their possession cities to dwell in. And ye shall give suburbs for the cities round about them to the Levites. ^{35:3} And they shall have the cities to dwell in, and their suburbs shall be for their cattle, and for their substance, and for all their beasts. ...

^{35:6} And of the cities which ye shall give to the Levites, there shall be the six cities of refuge, which ye shall give for the manslayer to flee to. And besides them ye shall give forty-two cities. ^{35:7} All the cities which ye shall give to the Levites shall be forty-eight cities, them with their suburbs. ...

^{35:10} Speak to the sons of Israel, and say to them, When ye pass over the Jordan into the land of Canaan, ^{35:11} then ye shall appoint cities to be cities of refuge for you, that the manslayer who kills any person unwittingly may flee there. ^{35:12} And the cities shall be to you for refuge from the avenger, that the manslayer not die until he stands before the congregation for judgment.

^{35:13} And the cities which ye shall give shall be for you six cities of refuge. ^{35:14} Ye shall give three cities beyond the Jordan, and three cities ye shall give in the land of Canaan. They shall be cit-

ies of refuge. ^{35:15} For the sons of Israel, and for the stranger and for the sojourner among them, these six cities shall be for refuge, that everyone who kills any person unwittingly may flee there.

^{35:16} But if he smote him with an instrument of iron, so that he died, he is a murderer. The murderer shall surely be put to death. ^{35:17} And if he smote him with a stone in the hand, by which a man may die, and he died, he is a murderer. The murderer shall surely be put to death. ^{35:18} Or if he smote him with a weapon of wood in the hand, by which a man may die, and he died, he is a murderer. The murderer shall surely be put to death.

^{35:19} The avenger of blood shall himself put the murderer to death. When he meets him, he shall put him to death. ^{35:20} And if he thrust him from hatred, or hurled at him, lying in wait, so that he died, ^{35:21} or in enmity smote him with his hand, so that he died, he who smote him shall surely be put to death. He is a murderer. The avenger of blood shall put the murderer to death, when he meets him.

^{35:22} But if he thrust him suddenly without enmity, or hurled upon him anything without lying in wait, ^{35:23} or with any stone, by which a man may die, not seeing him, and cast it upon him, so that he died, and he was not his enemy, nor sought his harm, ^{35:24} then the congregation shall judge between the smiter and the avenger of blood according to these ordinances. ^{35:25} And the congregation shall deliver the manslayer out of the hand of the avenger of blood, and the congregation shall restore him to his city of refuge where he fled. And he shall dwell in it until the death of the high priest, who was anointed with the holy oil.

^{35:26} But if the manslayer shall at any time go beyond the border of his city of refuge where he flees, ^{35:27} and the avenger of blood find him outside the border of his city of refuge, and the avenger of blood kills the manslayer, he shall not be guilty of blood, ^{35:28} because he should have remained in his city of refuge until the death of the high priest. But after the death of the high priest the manslayer shall return into the land of his possession.

^{35:29} And these things shall be for a statute *and* ordinance to you throughout your generations in all your dwellings. ^{35:30} Whoever kills any person, the murderer shall be slain at the mouth of witnesses, but one witness shall not testify against any person so that he dies. ^{35:31} Moreover ye shall take no ransom for the life of a murderer who is guilty of death, but he shall surely be put to death. ^{35:32} And ye shall take no ransom for him who has fled to

his city of refuge, that he may come again to dwell in the land, until the death of the priest.

^{35:33} So ye shall not pollute the land in which ye are, for blood, it pollutes the land. And no expiation can be made for the land for the blood that is shed in it, but by the blood of him who shed it. ^{35:34} And thou shall not defile the land which ye inhabit, in the midst of which I dwell, for I, Jehovah, dwell in the midst of the sons of Israel. ...

Who the Daughters of Zelophehad Could Marry

^{36:1} And the heads of the fathers of the family of the sons of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh, of the families of the sons of Joseph, came near, and spoke before Moses, and before the rulers, the heads of the fathers of the sons of Israel.

^{36:2} And they said, Jehovah commanded my lord to give the land for inheritance by lot to the sons of Israel. And my lord was commanded by Jehovah to give the inheritance of Zelophehad our brother to his daughters. ^{36:3} And if they be married to any of the sons of the *other* tribes of the sons of Israel, then their inheritance will be taken away from the inheritance of our fathers, and will be added to the inheritance of the tribe to which they shall belong. So it will be taken away from the lot of our inheritance.

^{36:4} And when the jubilee of the sons of Israel shall be, then their inheritance will be added to the inheritance of the tribe to which they shall belong. So their inheritance will be taken away from the inheritance of the tribe of our fathers.

^{36:5} And Moses commanded the sons of Israel according to the word of Jehovah, saying, The tribe of the sons of Joseph speak right. ^{36:6} This is the thing which Jehovah commands concerning the daughters of Zelophehad, saying, Let them be married to whom they think best, only into the family of the tribe of their father shall they be married.

^{36:7} So no inheritance of the sons of Israel shall remove from tribe to tribe, for the sons of Israel shall cling each one to the inheritance of the tribe of his fathers. ^{36:8} And every daughter, who possesses an inheritance in any tribe of the sons of Israel, shall be wife to one of the family of the tribe of her father, that the sons of Israel may possess every man the inheritance of his fathers.

^{36:9} So no inheritance shall move from one tribe to another tribe, for the tribes of the sons of Israel shall cling each one to his own inheritance. ^{36:10} Even as Jehovah commanded Moses, so did the daughters of Zelophehad

^{36:13} These are the commandments and the ordinances which Jehovah commanded by Moses to the sons of Israel in the plains of Moab by the Jordan at Jericho.

Scriptures from Deuteronomy

Moses Reviews Their Wilderness Wanderings

^{1:1} These are the words which Moses spoke to all Israel beyond the Jordan in the wilderness ... ^{1:3} And it came to pass in the fortieth year, in the eleventh month, on the first day of the month, that Moses spoke to the sons of Israel, according to all that Jehovah had given him in commandment to them, ^{1:4} after he had smitten Sihon the king of the Amorites, who dwelt in Heshbon, and Og the king of Bashan, who dwelt in Ashtaroth, at Edrei.

^{1:5} Beyond the Jordan, in the land of Moab, Moses began to declare this law, saying, ^{1:6} Jehovah our God spoke to us in Horeb, saying, Ye have dwelt long enough at this mountain. ^{1:7} Turn, and take your journey, and go to the hill-country of the Amorites, and to the land of the Canaanites, and Lebanon, as far as the great river, the river Euphrates. ^{1:8} Behold, I have set the land before you. Go in and possess the land which Jehovah swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give to them and to their seed after them. ...

^{1:18} And I commanded you at that time all the things which ye should do. ^{1:19} And we journeyed from Horeb, and went through all that great and terrible wilderness which ye saw ... as Jehovah our God commanded us, and we came to Kadesh-barnea.

^{1:20} And I said to you, Ye have come to the hill-country of the Amorites, which Jehovah our God gives to us. ^{1:21} Behold, Jehovah thy God has set the land before thee. Go up, take possession, as Jehovah, the God of thy fathers, has spoken to thee. Fear not, neither be dismayed.

When the Spies Were Sent

^{1:22} And ye came near to me, all of you, and said, Let us send men before us, that they may search the land for us, and bring us word again of the way by which we must go up, and the cities to which we shall come. ^{1:23} And the thing pleased me well. And I took twelve men of you, one man for every tribe. ^{1:24} And they turned and went up into the hill-country, and came to the valley of Eshcol, and spied it out. ^{1:25} And they took of the fruit of the

land in their hands, and brought it down to us, and brought us word again, and said, It is a good land which Jehovah our God gives to us.

The People Were Afraid to Invade

^{1:26} Yet ye would not go up, but rebelled against the commandment of Jehovah your God. ^{1:27} And ye murmured in your tents, and said, Because Jehovah hated us, he has brought us forth out of the land of Egypt, to deliver us into the hand of the Amorites, to destroy us. ^{1:28} Where are we going up? Our brothers have made our heart to melt, saying, The people are greater and taller than we. The cities are great and fortified up to heaven

... .

^{1:29} Then I said to you, Dread not, neither be afraid of them. ^{1:30} Jehovah your God who goes before you, he will fight for you, according to all that he did for you in Egypt before your eyes, ^{1:31} and in the wilderness, where thou have seen how that Jehovah thy God bore thee, as a man bears his son, in all the way that ye went, until ye came to this place.

^{1:32} Yet in this thing ye did not believe Jehovah your God, ^{1:33} who went before you in the way, to seek out a place for you to pitch your tents in, in fire by night, to show you by what way ye should go, and in the cloud by day.

That Generation Condemned to Wander

^{1:34} And Jehovah heard the voice of your words, and was angry, and swore, saying, ^{1:35} Surely there shall not one of these men of this evil generation see the good land, which I swore to give to your fathers, ^{1:36} except Caleb the son of Jephunneh. He shall see it, and I will give to him the land that he has trodden upon, and to his sons, because he has wholly followed Jehovah.

^{1:37} Also Jehovah was angry with me for your sakes, saying, Thou also shall not go in there. ^{1:38} Joshua the son of Nun, who stands before thee, he shall go in there. Encourage thou him, for he shall cause Israel to inherit it. ^{1:39} Moreover your little ones, who ye said would be a prey, and your sons, who this day have no knowledge of good or evil, they shall go in there, and I will give it to them, and they shall possess it.

^{1:40} But as for you, turn, and take your journey into the wilderness by the way to the Red Sea. ^{1:41} Then ye answered and said to me, We have sinned against Jehovah, we will go up and fight according to all that Jehovah our God commanded us. And ye

girded on every man his weapons of war, and were forward to go up into the hill-country.

1:42 And Jehovah said to me, Say to them, Do not go up, neither fight, for I am not among you, lest ye be smitten before your enemies. 1:43 So I spoke to you, and ye did not hearken, but ye rebelled against the commandment of Jehovah, and were presumptuous, and went up into the hill-country.

1:44 And the Amorites, who dwelt in that hill-country, came out against you, and chased you, as bees do, and beat you down in Seir, even to Hormah. 1:45 And ye returned and wept before Jehovah, but Jehovah did not hearken to your voice, nor gave ear to you. 1:46 So ye abode in Kadesh many days, according to the days that ye abode *there*.

2:1 Then we turned, and took our journey into the wilderness by the way to the Red Sea, as Jehovah spoke to me. ... 2:14 And the days ... were thirty-eight years; until all the generation of the men of war were consumed from the midst of the camp, as Jehovah swore to them. 2:15 Moreover the hand of Jehovah was against them, to destroy them from the midst of the camp, until they were consumed.

The Conquest Finally Begins

2:16 So it came to pass, when all the men of war were consumed and dead from among the people, 2:17 that Jehovah spoke to me, saying ... 2:24 Rise ye up, take your journey, and pass over the valley of the Arnon. Behold, I have given into thy hand Sihon the Amorite, king of Heshbon, and his land. Begin to possess it, and contend with him in battle. 2:25 This day I will begin to put the dread of thee and the fear of thee upon the peoples who are under the whole heaven, who shall hear the report of thee, and shall tremble, and be in anguish because of thee.

2:26 And I sent messengers out of the wilderness of Kedemoth to Sihon king of Heshbon with words of peace, saying, 2:27 Let me pass through thy land. I will go along by the highway, I will turn neither to the right hand nor to the left. ... 2:30 But Sihon king of Heshbon would not let us pass by him, for Jehovah thy God hardened his spirit, and made his heart obstinate, that he might deliver him into thy hand, as at this day.

2:31 And Jehovah said to me, Behold, I have begun to deliver up Sihon and his land before thee. Begin to possess, that thou may inherit his land. 2:32 Then Sihon came out against us, he and all his people, to battle at Jahaz. 2:33 And Jehovah our God deliv-

ered him up before us. And we smote him, and his sons, and all his people. ^{2:34} And we took all his cities at that time

Israel Defeats Bashan East of the Jordan

^{3:1} Then we turned, and went up the way to Bashan. And Og the king of Bashan came out against us, he and all his people, to battle at Edrei. ^{3:2} And Jehovah said to me, Fear him not, for I have delivered him, and all his people, and his land, into thy hand. And thou shalt do to him as thou did to Sihon king of the Amorites, who dwelt at Heshbon.

^{3:3} So Jehovah our God delivered into our hand Og also, the king of Bashan, and all his people, and we smote him until none was left to him remaining. ^{3:4} And we took all his cities at that time. There was not a city which we did not take from them, sixty cities, all the region of Argob, the kingdom of Og in Bashan. ^{3:5} All these were cities fortified with high walls, gates, and bars; besides the un-walled towns a great many. ^{3:6} And we utterly destroyed them, as we did to Sihon king of Heshbon ... utterly destroying every inhabited city. ...

^{3:21} And I commanded Joshua at that time, saying, Thine eyes have seen all that Jehovah your God has done to these two kings. So shall Jehovah do to all the kingdoms where thou go over. ^{3:22} Ye shall not fear them, for Jehovah your God, he it is who fights for you.

Moses Pleads with God About His Punishment

^{3:23} And I besought Jehovah at that time, saying, ^{3:24} O lord Jehovah, thou have begun to show thy servant thy greatness, and thy strong hand, for what god is there in heaven or in earth, that can do according to thy works, and according to thy mighty acts? ^{3:25} Let me go over, I pray thee, and see the good land that is beyond the Jordan, that goodly mountain, and Lebanon.

^{3:26} But Jehovah was angry with me because of you, and did not hearken to me. And Jehovah said to me, It shall be enough for thee. Speak no more to me of this matter. ^{3:27} Get thee up to the top of Pisgah, and lift up thine eyes westward, and northward, and southward, and eastward, and behold with thine eyes, for thou shalt not go over this Jordan. ^{3:28} But charge Joshua, and encourage him, and strengthen him, for he shall go over before this people, and he shall cause them to inherit the land which thou shall see. ^{3:29} So we abode in the valley opposite Beth-peor.

Moses Again Exhorts Israel to Obey God

4:1 And now, O Israel, hearken to the statutes and to the ordinances, which I teach you, to do them, that ye may live, and go in and possess the land which Jehovah, the God of your fathers, gives you. 4:2 Ye shall not add to the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish from it, that ye may keep the commandments of Jehovah your God which I command you.

4:3 Your eyes have seen what Jehovah did because of Baal-peor. For all the men who followed Baal-peor, Jehovah thy God has destroyed them from the midst of thee. 4:4 But ye who clung to Jehovah your God are alive every one of you this day.

4:5 Behold, I have taught you statutes and ordinances, even as Jehovah my God commanded me, that ye should do so in the midst of the land where ye go in to possess it. 4:6 Keep therefore and do them, for this is your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who shall hear all these statutes, and say, Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.

4:7 For what great nation is there that has a god so near to them, as Jehovah our God is whenever we call upon him? 4:8 And what great nation is there that has statutes and ordinances so righteous as all this law, which I set before you this day?

The Mighty Voice From the Mountain

4:9 Only take heed to thyself, and keep thy soul diligently, lest thou forget the things which thine eyes saw, and lest they depart from thy heart all the days of thy life, but make them known to thy sons and thy son's sons— 4:10 the day that thou stood before Jehovah thy God in Horeb, when Jehovah said to me, Assemble the people to me, and I will make them hear my words, that they may learn to fear me all the days that they live upon the earth, and that they may teach their sons. 4:11 And ye came near and stood under the mountain, and the mountain burned with fire to the heart of heaven, with darkness, cloud, and thick darkness.

4:12 And Jehovah spoke to you out of the midst of the fire. Ye heard the voice of words, but ye saw no form, only a voice. 4:13 And he declared to you his covenant, which he commanded you to perform, even the ten commandments. And he wrote them upon two tablets of stone. 4:14 And Jehovah commanded me at that time to teach you statutes and ordinances, that ye might do them in the land where ye go over to possess it.

4:15 Take ye therefore good heed to yourselves, for ye saw no manner of form on the day that Jehovah spoke to you in Horeb

out of the midst of the fire. ^{4:16} Lest ye corrupt yourselves, and make for you a graven image in the form of any figure, the likeness of male or female, ^{4:17} the likeness of any beast that is on the earth, the likeness of any winged bird that flies in the sky, ^{4:18} the likeness of anything that creeps on the ground, the likeness of any fish that is in the water under the earth. ^{4:19} And lest thou lift up thine eyes to heaven, and when thou see the sun and the moon and the stars, even all the host of heaven, thou be drawn away and worship them, and serve them, which Jehovah thy God has allotted to all the peoples under the whole heaven. ^{4:20} But Jehovah has taken you, and brought you forth out of the iron furnace, out of Egypt, to be to him a people of inheritance, as at this day.

^{4:21} Furthermore Jehovah was angry with me because of you, and swore that I would not go over the Jordan, and that I would not go in to that good land, which Jehovah thy God gives thee for an inheritance, ^{4:22} but I must die in this land. I must not go over the Jordan, but ye shall go over, and possess that good land.

Israel Warned Again to Keep God's Covenant

^{4:23} Take heed to yourselves, lest ye forget the covenant of Jehovah your God, which he made with you, and make you a graven image in the form of anything which Jehovah thy God has forbidden thee. ^{4:24} For Jehovah thy God is a consuming fire, a jealous God.

^{4:25} When thou shall beget sons, and son's sons, and ye shall have been long in the land, and shall corrupt yourselves, and make a graven image in the form of anything, and shall do that which is evil in the sight of Jehovah thy God, to provoke him to anger, ^{4:26} I call heaven and earth to witness against you this day, that ye shall soon utterly perish from off the land to which ye go over the Jordan to possess it. Ye shall not prolong your days upon it, but shall be utterly destroyed. ^{4:27} And Jehovah will scatter you among the peoples, and ye shall be left few in number among the nations where Jehovah shall lead you away. ^{4:28} And there ye shall serve gods, the work of men's hands, wood and stone, which neither see, nor hear, nor eat, nor smell.

^{4:29} But from there ye shall seek Jehovah thy God. And thou shall find him when thou search after him with all thy heart and with all thy soul. ^{4:30} When thou are in tribulation, and all these things have come upon thee, in the latter days thou shall return to Jehovah thy God, and hearken to his voice. ^{4:31} For Jehovah

thy God is a merciful God. He will not fail thee, neither destroy thee, nor forget the covenant of thy fathers which he swore to them.

God's Love for His People

^{4:32} For ask now of the days that are past, which were before thee, since the day that God created man upon the earth, and from the one end of heaven to the other, whether there has been *anything* as this great thing is, or has been heard like it? ^{4:33} Did a people ever hear the voice of God speaking out of the midst of the fire, as thou have heard, and live? ^{4:34} Or has God assayed to go and take for him a nation from the midst of *another* nation, by trials, by signs, and by wonders, and by war, and by a mighty hand, and by an outstretched arm, and by great terrors, according to all that Jehovah your God did for you in Egypt before your eyes? ^{4:35} It was shown to thee, that thou might know that Jehovah he is God. There is none else besides him.

^{4:36} Out of heaven he made thee to hear his voice, that he might instruct thee. And upon earth he made thee to see his great fire, and thou heard his words out of the midst of the fire. ^{4:37} And because he loved thy fathers, therefore he chose their seed after them, and brought thee out with his presence, with his great power, out of Egypt, ^{4:38} to drive out nations from before thee greater and mightier than thou, to bring thee in, to give thee their land for an inheritance, as at this day.

^{4:39} Know therefore this day, and lay it to thy heart, that Jehovah he is God in heaven above and upon the earth beneath. There is none else. ^{4:40} And thou shall keep his statutes, and his commandments, which I command thee this day, that it may go well with thee, and with thy sons after thee, and that thou may prolong thy days in the land, which Jehovah thy God gives thee, forever. ...

^{4:44} And this is the law which Moses set before the sons of Israel. ^{4:45} These are the testimonies, and the statutes, and the ordinances, which Moses spoke to the sons of Israel, when they came forth out of Egypt, ^{4:46} beyond the Jordan, in the valley opposite Beth-peor, in the land of Sihon king of the Amorites, who dwelt at Heshbon, whom Moses and the sons of Israel smote when they came forth out of Egypt. ^{4:47} And they took his land in possession, and the land of Og king of Bashan, the two kings of the Amorites, who were beyond the Jordan toward the sunrise. ...

God's Covenant and the Ten Commandments

^{5:1} And Moses called to all Israel, and said to them, Hear, O Israel, the statutes and the ordinances which I speak in your ears this day, that ye may learn them, and observe to do them.

^{5:2} Jehovah our God made a covenant with us in Horeb. ^{5:3} Jehovah did not make this covenant with our fathers, but with us, even us, who are all of us here alive this day.

^{5:4} Jehovah spoke with you face to face in the mount out of the midst of the fire ^{5:5} (I stood between Jehovah and you at that time, to show you the word of Jehovah, for ye were afraid because of the fire, and did not go up onto the mount), saying,

- ^{5:6} I am Jehovah thy God who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. ^{5:7} Thou shall have no other gods before me.
- ^{5:8} Thou shall not make to thee a graven image: any likeness that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. ^{5:9} Thou shall not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them, for I, Jehovah thy God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the sons, and upon the third and upon the fourth generation of those who hate me, ^{5:10} and showing loving kindness to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.
- ^{5:11} Thou shall not take the name of Jehovah thy God in vain, for Jehovah will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.
- ^{5:12} Observe the sabbath day, to keep it holy, as Jehovah thy God commanded thee. ^{5:13} Six days thou shall labor, and do all thy work, ^{5:14} but the seventh day is a sabbath to Jehovah thy God: thou shall not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, nor thy man-servant, nor thy maid-servant, nor thine ox, nor thy donkey, nor any of thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates, that thy man-servant and thy maid-servant may rest as well as thou. ^{5:15} And thou shall remember that thou were a servant in the land of Egypt, and Jehovah thy God brought thee out from there by a mighty hand and by an outstretched arm, therefore Jehovah thy God commanded thee to keep the sabbath day.
- ^{5:16} Honor thy father and thy mother, as Jehovah thy God commanded thee, that thy days may be long, and that it may go well with thee in the land which Jehovah thy God gives thee.
- ^{5:17} Thou shall not murder.
- ^{5:18} Neither shall thou commit adultery.

- 5:19 Neither shall thou steal.
- 5:20 Neither shall thou bear false witness against thy neighbor.
- 5:21 Neither shall thou covet thy neighbor's wife. Neither shall thou desire thy neighbor's house, his field, or his man-servant, or his maid-servant, his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is thy neighbor's.

5:22 These words Jehovah spoke to all your assembly on the mount out of the midst of the fire, of the cloud, and of the thick darkness, with a great voice, and he added no more. And he wrote them upon two tablets of stone, and gave them to me.

They Feared the Mighty Voice of God

5:23 And it came to pass, when ye heard the voice out of the midst of the darkness, while the mountain was burning with fire, that ye came near to me, even all the heads of your tribes, and your elders. 5:24 And ye said, Behold, Jehovah our God has shown us his glory and his greatness, and we have heard his voice out of the midst of the fire. We have seen this day that God speaks with man, and he lives.

5:25 Now therefore why should we die? For this great fire will consume us. If we hear the voice of Jehovah our God any more, then we shall die. 5:26 For who is there of all flesh, who has heard the voice of the living God speaking out of the midst of the fire, as we have, and lived? 5:27 Go thou near, and hear all that Jehovah our God shall say. And speak thou to us all that Jehovah our God shall speak to thee, and we will hear it, and do it.

5:28 And Jehovah heard the voice of your words, when ye spoke to me. And Jehovah said to me, I have heard the voice of the words of this people, which they have spoken to thee. They have well said all that they have spoken. 5:29 Oh that there were such a heart in them that they would fear me, and keep all my commandments always, that it might be well with them, and with their sons forever! 5:30 Go say to them, Return ye to your tents.

Commands for Loyalty to God

5:31 But as for thee, stand thou here by me, and I will speak to thee all the commandment, and the statutes, and the ordinances, which thou shall teach them, that they may do them in the land which I give them to possess it. 5:32 Ye shall observe to do therefore as Jehovah your God has commanded you. Ye shall not turn aside to the right hand or to the left. 5:33 Ye shall walk in all the way which Jehovah your God has commanded

you, that ye may live, and that it may be well with you, and that ye may prolong your days in the land which ye shall possess.

^{6:1} Now this is the commandment, the statutes and the ordinances, which Jehovah your God commanded to teach you, that ye might do them in the land where ye go over to possess it, ^{6:2} that thou might fear Jehovah thy God, to keep all his statutes and his commandments, which I command thee, thou, and thy son, and thy son's son, all the days of thy life, and that thy days may be prolonged. ^{6:3} Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe to do it, that it may be well with thee, and that ye may increase mightily, as Jehovah, the God of thy fathers, has promised to thee, in a land flowing with milk and honey.

^{6:4} Hear, O Israel: Jehovah our God is one Jehovah. ^{6:5} And thou shall love Jehovah thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. ^{6:6} And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be upon thy heart. ^{6:7} And thou shall teach them diligently to thy sons, and shall talk of them when thou sit in thy house, and when thou walk by the way, and when thou lie down, and when thou rise up. ^{6:8} And thou shall bind them for a sign upon thy hand, and they shall be for frontlets between thine eyes. ^{6:9} And thou shall write them upon the doorposts of thy house, and upon thy gates.

^{6:10} And it shall be, when Jehovah thy God shall bring thee into the land which he swore to thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob ... ^{6:12} then beware lest thou forget Jehovah, who brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. ^{6:13} Thou shall fear Jehovah thy God, and him thou shall serve, and shall swear by his name. ^{6:14} Ye shall not go after other gods, of the gods of the peoples that are round about you, ^{6:15} for Jehovah thy God in the midst of thee is a jealous God, lest the anger of Jehovah thy God be kindled against thee, and he destroy thee from off the face of the earth. ^{6:16} Ye shall not challenge Jehovah your God, as ye challenged him in Mas-sah. ...

Seven Nations to Be Destroyed

^{7:1} When Jehovah thy God shall bring thee into the land where thou go to possess it, and shall cast out many nations before thee, the Hittite, and the Girgashite, and the Amorite, and the Canaanite, and the Perizzite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite, seven nations greater and mightier than thou, ^{7:2} and when Jehovah thy God shall deliver them up before thee, and thou shall smite them, then thou shall utterly destroy them. Thou shall

make no covenant with them, nor show mercy to them. ^{7:3} Neither shall thou make marriages with them. ... ^{7:5} But thus shall ye deal with them: Ye shall break down their altars, and dash in pieces their pillars, and hew down their Asherim, and burn their graven images with fire.

^{7:6} For thou art a holy people to Jehovah thy God. Jehovah thy God has chosen thee to be a people for his own possession, above all peoples that are upon the face of the earth. ^{7:7} Jehovah did not set his love upon you, nor choose you, because ye were more in number than any people, for ye were the fewest of all peoples, ^{7:8} but because Jehovah loves you. And because he would keep the oath which he swore to your fathers, Jehovah has brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you out of the house of bondage, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.

^{7:9} Know therefore that Jehovah thy God, he is God, the faithful God, who keeps covenant and loving kindness with those who love him and keep his commandments to a thousand generations, ^{7:10} and repays those who hate him to their face, to destroy them. He will not be slack to him who hates him. He will repay him to his face.

^{7:11} Thou shalt therefore keep the commandment, and the statutes, and the ordinances, which I command thee this day, to do them. ^{7:12} And it shall come to pass, because ye hearken to these ordinances, and keep and do them, that Jehovah thy God will keep with thee the covenant and the loving kindness which he swore to thy fathers. ^{7:13} And he will love thee, and bless thee, and multiply thee. ... ^{7:14} Thou shalt be blessed above all peoples. ...

^{7:15} And Jehovah will take away from thee all sickness. And none of the evil diseases of Egypt, which thou know, will he put upon thee, but will lay them upon all those who hate thee. ^{7:16} And thou shalt consume all the peoples that Jehovah thy God shall deliver to thee. Thine eye shall not pity them. Neither shall thou serve their gods, for that will be a snare to thee. ...

^{7:21} Thou shalt not be frightened at them, for Jehovah thy God is in the midst of thee, a great God and awesome. ^{7:22} And Jehovah thy God will cast out those nations before thee little by little. Thou may not consume them at once, lest the beasts of the field increase upon thee. ^{7:23} But Jehovah thy God will deliver them up before thee, and will discomfit them with a great confusion until they be destroyed. ^{7:24} And he will deliver their kings into thy hand, and thou shalt make their name to perish from under

heaven. There shall no man be able to stand before thee, until thou have destroyed them.

^{7:25} Ye shall burn the graven images of their gods with fire. Thou shall not covet the silver or the gold that is on them, nor take it to thee, lest thou be snared by it, for it is an abomination to Jehovah thy God. ^{7:26} And thou shall not bring an abomination into thy house, and become a devoted thing like it. Thou shall utterly detest it, and thou shall utterly abhor it, for it is a cursed thing.

Remembering What God Had Done for Them

^{8:1} All the commandment which I command thee this day ye shall observe to do, that ye may live, and multiply, and go in and possess the land which Jehovah swore to your fathers. ^{8:2} And thou shall remember all the way which Jehovah thy God has led thee these forty years in the wilderness, that he might humble thee, to prove thee, to know what was in thy heart, whether thou would keep his commandments, or not.

^{8:3} And he humbled thee, and allowed thee to hunger, and fed thee with manna, which thou knew not, neither did thy fathers know, that he might make thee know that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by everything that proceeds out of the mouth of Jehovah. ^{8:4} Thy raiment did not grow old upon thee, neither did thy foot swell, these forty years. ^{8:5} And thou shall consider in thy heart, that, as a man chastens his son, so Jehovah thy God chastens thee. ^{8:6} And thou shall keep the commandments of Jehovah thy God, to walk in his ways, and to fear him. ^{8:7} For Jehovah thy God brings thee into a good land

^{8:11} Beware lest thou forget Jehovah thy God, in not keeping his commandments, and his ordinances, and his statutes, which I command thee this day. . . . ^{8:17} And *lest* thou say in thy heart, My power and the might of my hand has gotten me this wealth. ^{8:18} But thou shall remember Jehovah thy God, for it is he who gives thee power to get wealth, that he may establish his covenant which he swore to thy fathers, as at this day.

^{8:19} And it shall be, if thou shall forget Jehovah thy God, and walk after other gods, and serve them, and worship them, I testify against you this day that ye shall surely perish. ^{8:20} As the nations that Jehovah makes to perish before you, so shall ye perish, because ye would not hearken to the voice of Jehovah your God.

More Encouragement to Obey

^{9:1} Hear, O Israel: Thou art to pass over the Jordan this day, to go in to dispossess nations greater and mightier than thyself, cities great and fortified up to heaven, ^{9:2} a people great and tall, the sons of the Anakim, whom thou knowest, and of whom thou hast heard say, Who can stand before the sons of Anak? ^{9:3} Know therefore this day, that Jehovah thy God is he who goes over before thee as a devouring fire. He will destroy them, and he will bring them down before thee. So thou shalt drive them out, and make them to perish quickly, as Jehovah has spoken to thee.

^{9:4} Do not speak thou in thy heart, after Jehovah thy God has thrust them out from before thee, saying, For my righteousness Jehovah has brought me in to possess this land. Whereas for the wickedness of these nations Jehovah drives them out from before thee.

^{9:5} Not for thy righteousness, or for the uprightness of thy heart, do thou go in to possess their land, but for the wickedness of these nations Jehovah thy God drives them out from before thee, and that he may establish the word which Jehovah swore to thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. ^{9:6} Know therefore, that Jehovah thy God does not give thee this good land to possess it for thy righteousness, for thou art a stiff-necked people.

^{9:7} Remember, do not thou forget how thou provoked Jehovah thy God to wrath in the wilderness. From the day that thou wentest forth out of the land of Egypt, until ye came to this place, ye have been rebellious against Jehovah. ... ^{9:24} Ye have been rebellious against Jehovah from the day that I knew you. ...

^{10:12} And now, Israel, what does Jehovah thy God require of thee, but to fear Jehovah thy God, to walk in all his ways, and to love him, and to serve Jehovah thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul, ^{10:13} to keep the commandments of Jehovah, and his statutes, which I command thee this day for thy good?

^{10:14} Behold, to Jehovah thy God belongs heaven and the heaven of heavens, the earth, with all that is in it. ^{10:15} Only Jehovah had a delight in thy fathers to love them, and he chose their seed after them, even you above all peoples as at this day. ... ^{10:17} For Jehovah your God, he is God of gods, and Lord of lords, the great God, the mighty, and the awesome, who regards not persons, nor takes reward. ...

^{10:20} Thou shall fear Jehovah thy God. Him thou shall serve, and to him thou shall cling, and by his name thou shall swear.
^{10:21} He is thy praise, and he is thy God, who has done for thee these great and awesome things, which thine eyes have seen.

^{10:22} Thy fathers went down into Egypt, in souls, seventy. And now Jehovah thy God has made thee as the stars of heaven for multitude. ^{11:1} Therefore thou shall love Jehovah thy God, and keep his charge, and his statutes, and his ordinances, and his commandments, always.

^{11:2} And ye know this day, for *it is* not with your sons who have not known, and who have not seen the chastisement of Jehovah your God, his greatness, his mighty hand, and his outstretched arm, ^{11:3} and his signs, and his works, which he did in the midst of Egypt to Pharaoh the king of Egypt, and to all his land, ^{11:4} and what he did to the army of Egypt, to their horses, and to their chariots, how he made the water of the Red Sea to overflow them as they pursued after you, and how Jehovah has destroyed them to this day, ^{11:5} and what he did to you in the wilderness, until ye came to this place, ^{11:6} and what he did to Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab, the son of Reuben, how the earth opened its mouth, and swallowed them up, and their households, and their tents, and every living thing that followed them, in the midst of all Israel, ^{11:7} but your eyes have seen all the great work of Jehovah which he did.

^{11:8} Therefore ye shall keep all the commandment which I command thee this day, that ye may be strong, and go in and possess the land, where ye go over to possess it, ^{11:9} and that ye may prolong your days in the land, which Jehovah swore to your fathers to give to them and to their seed, a land flowing with milk and honey. ...

^{11:16} Take heed to yourselves, lest your heart be deceived, and ye turn aside, and serve other gods, and worship them, ^{11:17} and the anger of Jehovah be kindled against you, and he shut up the heavens, so that there shall be no rain, and the land shall not yield its fruit, and ye perish quickly from off the good land which Jehovah gives you. ...

^{11:26} Behold, I set before you this day a blessing and a curse:
^{11:27} the blessing, if ye shall hearken to the commandments of Jehovah your God, which I command you this day, ^{11:28} and the curse, if ye shall not hearken to the commandments of Jehovah your God, but turn aside out of the way which I command you this day to go after other gods, which ye have not known.

^{11:29} And it shall come to pass, when Jehovah thy God shall bring thee into the land where thou go to possess it, that thou shall set the blessing upon mount Gerizim, and the curse upon mount Ebal. ^{11:30} Are they not beyond the Jordan, behind the way of the going down of the sun, in the land of the Canaanites ...

^{11:31} For ye are to pass over the Jordan to go in to possess the land which Jehovah your God gives you, and ye shall possess it, and dwell in it. ^{11:32} And ye shall observe to do all the statutes and the ordinances which I set before you this day. ^{12:1} These are the statutes and the ordinances which ye shall observe to do in the land which Jehovah, the God of thy fathers, has given thee to possess it all the days that ye live upon the earth. ...

^{12:28} Observe and hear all these words which I command thee, that it may go well with thee, and with thy sons after thee forever, when thou do that which is good and right in the eyes of Jehovah thy God. ^{12:29} When Jehovah thy God shall cut off the nations from before thee, where thou go in to dispossess them, and thou dispossess them, and dwell in their land, ^{12:30} take heed to thyself that thou be not ensnared to follow them, after they are destroyed from before thee, and that thou not inquire after their gods, saying, How do these nations serve their gods? Even so I will do likewise.

^{12:31} Thou shall not do so to Jehovah thy God. For every abomination to Jehovah, which he hates, they have done to their gods, for they even burn their sons and their daughters in the fire to their gods. ^{12:32} Whatever thing I command you, that shall ye observe to do. Thou shall not add to it, nor diminish from it. ...

Being Tempted Away From Jehovah

^{13:1} If there arise in the midst of thee a prophet, or a dreamer of dreams, and he gives thee a sign or a wonder, ^{13:2} and the sign or the wonder comes to pass, of which he spoke to thee, saying, Let us go after other gods, which thou have not known, and let us serve them, ^{13:3} thou shall not hearken to the words of that prophet, or to that dreamer of dreams, for Jehovah your God proves you, to know whether ye love Jehovah your God with all your heart and with all your soul. ^{13:4} Ye shall walk after Jehovah your God, and fear him, and keep his commandments, and obey his voice, and ye shall serve him, and cling to him.

^{13:5} And that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams, shall be put to death, because he has spoken rebellion against Jehovah your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and redeemed thee out of the house of bondage, to draw thee aside

out of the way which Jehovah thy God commanded thee to walk in. So shall thou put away the evil from the midst of thee.

^{13:6} If thy brother, the son of thy mother, or thy son, or thy daughter, or the wife of thy bosom, or thy friend, who is as thine own soul, entices thee secretly, saying, Let us go and serve other gods, which thou have not known, thou, nor thy fathers, ^{13:7} of the gods of the peoples that are round about you, near to thee, or far off from thee, from the one end of the earth even to the other end of the earth, ^{13:8} thou shall not consent to him, nor hearken to him. Neither shall thine eye pity him, neither shall thou spare, neither shall thou conceal him, ^{13:9} but thou shall surely kill him. Thy hand shall be first upon him to put him to death, and afterwards the hand of all the people.

^{13:10} And thou shall stone him to death with stones, because he has sought to draw thee away from Jehovah thy God, who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. ^{13:11} And all Israel shall hear, and fear, and shall no more do any such wickedness as this is in the midst of thee.

^{13:12} If thou shall hear tell concerning one of thy cities, which Jehovah thy God gives thee to dwell there, saying, ^{13:13} Certain base fellows have gone out from the midst of thee, and have drawn away the inhabitants of their city, saying, Let us go and serve other gods, which ye have not known, ^{13:14} then thou shall inquire, and make search, and ask diligently. And, behold, if it be true, and the thing certain, that such abomination is wrought in the midst of thee, ^{13:15} thou shall surely smite the inhabitants of that city with the edge of the sword, destroying it utterly, and all that is in it, and the cattle in it, with the edge of the sword. ...

Generosity

^{14:22} Thou shall surely tithe all the increase of thy seed; that which comes forth from the field year by year. ... ^{14:27} And the Levite who is within thy gates, thou shall not forsake him, for he has no portion nor inheritance with thee. ^{14:28} At the end of every three years thou shall bring forth all the tithe of thine increase in the same year, and shall lay it up within thy gates. ^{14:29} And the Levite, because he has no portion nor inheritance with thee, and the sojourner, and the fatherless, and the widow, who are within thy gates, shall come, and shall eat and be satisfied, that Jehovah thy God may bless thee in all the work of thy hand which thou do.

^{15:1} At the end of every seven years thou shall make a release. ^{15:2} And this is the manner of the release: Every creditor shall

release that which he has lent to his neighbor. He shall not exact it from his neighbor and his brother, because Jehovah's release has been proclaimed. ^{15:3} From a foreigner thou may exact it, but whatever of thine is with thy brother, thy hand shall release.

^{15:4} However there shall be no poor with thee (for Jehovah will surely bless thee in the land which Jehovah thy God gives thee for an inheritance to possess it), ^{15:5} if only thou diligently hearken to the voice of Jehovah thy God, to observe to do all this commandment which I command thee this day. ^{15:6} For Jehovah thy God will bless thee as he promised thee, and thou shall lend to many nations, but thou shall not borrow, and thou shall rule over many nations, but they shall not rule over thee.

^{15:7} If there be with thee a poor man, one of thy brothers, within any of thy gates in thy land which Jehovah thy God gives thee, thou shall not harden thy heart, nor shut thy hand from thy poor brother, ^{15:8} but thou shall surely open thy hand to him, and shall surely lend him sufficient for his need which he wants. ... ^{15:11} For the poor will never cease out of the land. Therefore I command thee, saying, Thou shall surely open thy hand to thy brother, to thy needy, and to thy poor, in thy land.

The Feast Days

^{16:1} Observe the month of Abib, and keep the Passover to Jehovah thy God, for in the month of Abib Jehovah thy God brought thee forth out of Egypt by night. ^{16:2} And thou shall sacrifice the Passover to Jehovah thy God, of the flock and the herd, in the place which Jehovah shall choose to cause his name to dwell there.

^{16:3} Thou shall eat no leavened bread with it. Seven days thou shall eat unleavened bread with it, even the bread of affliction, for thou came forth out of the land of Egypt in haste, that thou may remember the day when thou came forth out of the land of Egypt all the days of thy life. ^{16:4} And there shall be no leaven seen with thee in all thy borders seven days. Neither shall any of the flesh, which thou sacrifice the first day at evening, remain all night until the morning. ... ^{16:8} Six days thou shall eat unleavened bread, and on the seventh day shall be a solemn assembly to Jehovah thy God. Thou shall do no work.

^{16:9} Thou shall number to thee seven weeks. From the time thou begin to put the sickle to the standing grain thou shall begin to number seven weeks. ^{16:10} And thou shall keep the feast of weeks to Jehovah thy God with a tribute of a freewill offering from thy hand, which thou shall give, according as Jehovah thy

God blesses thee. ^{16:11} And thou shall rejoice before Jehovah thy God ... ^{16:12} and thou shall remember that thou were a bondman in Egypt. And thou shall observe and do these statutes.

^{16:13} Thou shall keep the feast of tabernacles seven days after thou have gathered in from thy threshing-floor and from thy winepress. ^{16:14} And thou shall rejoice in thy feast ... ^{16:15} Seven days thou shall keep a feast to Jehovah thy God in the place which Jehovah shall choose, because Jehovah thy God will bless thee in all thine increase, and in all the work of thy hands, and thou shall be altogether joyful.

^{16:16} Three times in a year all thy males shall appear before Jehovah thy God in the place which he shall choose: in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles. And they shall not appear before Jehovah empty. ^{16:17} Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of Jehovah thy God which he has given thee.

Judges, Officers, and Kings

^{16:18} Thou shall make judges and officers for thee in all thy gates, which Jehovah thy God gives thee, according to thy tribes, and they shall judge the people with righteous judgment. ^{16:19} Thou shall not distort justice. Thou shall not respect persons, neither shall thou take a bribe, for a bribe blinds the eyes of the wise, and perverts the words of the righteous. ^{16:20} Thou shall follow that which is altogether just, that thou may live, and inherit the land which Jehovah thy God gives thee. ...

^{17:14} When thou have come to the land which Jehovah thy God gives thee, and shall possess it, and shall dwell in it, and shall say, I will set a king over me like all the nations that are round about me, ^{17:15} thou shall surely set him king over thee whom Jehovah thy God shall choose. Thou shall set a king over thee from among thy brothers. Thou may not put a foreigner over thee who is not thy brother.

^{17:16} Only he shall not multiply horses to himself, nor cause the people to return to Egypt, to the end that he may multiply horses, inasmuch as Jehovah has said to you, Ye shall henceforth return no more that way. ^{17:17} Neither shall he multiply wives to himself, that his heart turn not away. Neither shall he greatly multiply to himself silver and gold.

^{17:18} And it shall be, when he sits upon the throne of his kingdom, that he shall write for him a copy of this law in a book, out of *it* before the priests the Levites, ^{17:19} and it shall be with him. And he shall read in it all the days of his life, that he may learn to

fear Jehovah his God, to keep all the words of this law and these statutes, to do them, ^{17:20} that his heart not be lifted up above his brothers, and that he turn not aside from the commandment, to the right hand, or to the left, to the end that he may prolong his days in his kingdom, he and his sons, in the midst of Israel. ...

Condemning the Occult

^{18:9} When thou have come into the land, which Jehovah thy God gives thee, thou shall not learn to do according to the abominations of those nations. ^{18:10} There shall not be found with thee anyone who makes his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, a psychic, he who practices augury, or an enchanter, or a sorcerer, ^{18:11} or a charmer, or a medium, or a spiritist, or a necromancer. ^{18:12} For whoever does these things is an abomination to Jehovah. And because of these abominations Jehovah thy God drives them out from before thee.

^{18:13} Thou shall be perfect with Jehovah thy God. ^{18:14} For these nations, that thou shall dispossess, hearken to those who practice augury, and to psychics. But as for thee, Jehovah thy God has not allowed thee to do so. ...

Laws About Witnesses

^{19:15} One witness shall not rise up against a man for any iniquity, or for any sin, in any sin that he sins. At the mouth of two witnesses, or at the mouth of three witnesses, shall a matter be established.

^{19:16} If an unrighteous witness rises up against any man to testify against him of wrong-doing, ^{19:17} then both the men, between whom the controversy is, shall stand before Jehovah, before the priests and the judges that shall be in those days, ^{19:18} and the judges shall make diligent inquiry. And, behold, if the witness is a false witness, and has testified falsely against his brother, ^{19:19} then ye shall do to him, as he had thought to do to his brother. So shall thou put away the evil from the midst of thee.

^{19:20} And those who remain shall hear, and fear, and shall henceforth commit no more any such evil in the midst of thee. ^{19:21} And thine eyes shall not pity: life for life, eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot. ...

Peace or War

^{20:10} When thou draw near to a city to fight against it, then proclaim peace to it. ^{20:11} And it shall be, if it makes to thee an answer of peace, and opens to thee, then it shall be, that all the people that are found in it shall become tributary to thee, and shall serve thee. ^{20:12} And if it will make no peace with thee, but will make war against thee, then thou shalt besiege it. ... ^{20:15} Thus thou shalt do to all the cities which are very far off from thee, which are not of the cities of these nations.

^{20:16} But of the cities of these peoples, that Jehovah thy God gives thee for an inheritance, thou shalt save alive nothing that breathes, ^{20:17} but thou shalt utterly destroy them ... as Jehovah thy God has commanded thee, ^{20:18} that they not teach you to do after all their abominations, which they have done to their gods, so ye would sin against Jehovah your God. ...

More of God's Commandments

^{21:1} If a man is found slain in the land which Jehovah thy God gives thee to possess it, lying in the field, and it not be known who has smitten him, ^{21:2} then thy elders and thy judges shall come forth. And they shall measure to the cities which are round about him who is slain, ^{21:3} and it shall be, that the city which is nearest to the slain man, even the elders of that city shall take a heifer of the herd, which has not been worked with, and which has not drawn in the yoke, ^{21:4} and the elders of that city shall bring down the heifer to a valley with running water, which is neither plowed nor sown, and shall break the heifer's neck there in the valley. ^{21:5} And the priests the sons of Levi shall come near, for Jehovah thy God has chosen them to minister to him, and to bless in the name of Jehovah, and according to their word shall every controversy and every stroke be. ^{21:6} And all the elders of that city, who are nearest to the slain man, shall wash their hands over the heifer whose neck was broken in the valley, ^{21:7} and they shall answer and say, Our hands have not shed this blood, neither have our eyes seen it. ^{21:8} Forgive, O Jehovah, thy people Israel whom thou have redeemed, and allow no innocent blood *to remain* in the midst of thy people Israel. And the blood shall be forgiven them. ^{21:9} So shall thou put away the innocent blood from the midst of thee when thou shall do that which is right in the eyes of Jehovah.

^{21:15} If a man has two wives, the one beloved, and the other regarded inferior, and they have borne him sons, both the

beloved and the one regarded inferior, and if the firstborn son be hers who was regarded inferior, ^{21:16} then it shall be, in the day that he causes his sons to inherit that which he has, that he may not make the son of the beloved the firstborn before the son of the one regarded inferior, who is the firstborn. ...

^{21:18} If a man has a stubborn and rebellious son, who will not obey the voice of his father, or the voice of his mother, and, though they chasten him, will not hearken to them, ^{21:19} then his father and his mother shall lay hold on him, and bring him out to the elders of his city, and to the gate of his place. ^{21:20} And they shall say to the elders of his city, This our son is stubborn and rebellious, he will not obey our voice. He is a glutton, and a drunkard. ^{21:21} And all the men of his city shall stone him to death with stones. So thou shalt put away the evil from the midst of thee, and all Israel shall hear, and fear. ...

^{22:1} Thou shalt not see thy brother's ox or his sheep go astray, and hide thyself from them. Thou shalt surely bring them again to thy brother. ...

^{22:5} A woman shall not wear that which pertains to a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment, for whoever does these things is an abomination to Jehovah thy God. ...

^{23:15} Thou shalt not deliver to his master a servant who is escaped from his master to thee. ^{23:16} He shall dwell with thee, in the midst of thee, in the place which he shall choose within one of thy gates, where it pleases him best. Thou shalt not oppress him.

^{23:17} There shall be no prostitute of the daughters of Israel, neither shall there be a sodomite of the sons of Israel. ...

^{23:19} Thou shalt not lend upon interest to thy brother: interest of money, interest of food, interest of anything that is lent upon interest. ^{23:20} To a foreigner thou may lend upon interest, but to thy brother thou shalt not lend upon interest, that Jehovah thy God may bless thee in all that thou put thy hand to, in the land where thou go in to possess it.

^{23:21} When thou shalt vow a vow to Jehovah thy God, thou shalt not be slack to pay it. For Jehovah thy God will surely require it of thee, and it would be sin in thee. ^{23:22} But if thou shalt forbear to vow, it shall be no sin in thee. ^{23:23} That which has gone out of thy lips thou shalt observe and do, according as thou have vowed to Jehovah thy God, a freewill offering, which thou have promised with thy mouth. ...

^{24:5} When a man takes a new wife, he shall not go out in the army, neither shall he be charged with any business. He shall be

free at home one year, and shall cheer his wife whom he has taken. ...

24:8 Take heed in the disease of leprosy, that thou observe diligently, and do according to all that the priests the Levites shall teach you. As I commanded them, so ye shall observe to do. 24:9 Remember what Jehovah thy God did to Miriam by the way as ye came forth out of Egypt. ...

24:16 The fathers shall not be put to death for the sons, neither shall the sons be put to death for the fathers. Every man shall be put to death for his own sin. ...

25:1 If there be a controversy between men, and they come to judgment, and *they* judge them, then they shall justify the righteous, and condemn the iniquitous. 25:2 And it shall be, if the iniquitous man is deserving to be beaten, that the judge shall cause him to lie down, and to be beaten before his face, according to his iniquity, by number. 25:3 He may give him forty stripes. He shall not exceed, lest, if he should exceed, and beat him above these with many stripes, then thy brother should seem debased to thee. ...

25:5 If brothers dwell together, and one of them dies, and has no son, the wife of the dead man shall not be married outside to a stranger. Her husband's brother shall go in to her, and take her to him to wife, and perform the duty of a husband's brother to her. ...

26:16 This day Jehovah thy God commands thee to do these statutes and ordinances. Thou shall therefore keep and do them with all thy heart, and with all thy soul. 26:17 Thou have avouched Jehovah this day to be thy God, and that thou would walk in his ways, and keep his statutes, and his commandments, and his ordinances, and hearken to his voice.

26:18 And Jehovah has avouched thee this day to be a people for his own possession, as he has promised thee, and that thou should keep all his commandments, 26:19 and to make thee high above all nations that he has made, in praise, and in name, and in honor, and that thou may be a holy people to Jehovah thy God, as he has spoken.

Building an Altar After Crossing Jordan

27:1 And Moses and the elders of Israel commanded the people, saying, Keep all the commandment which I command you this day. 27:2 And it shall be on the day when ye shall pass over the Jordan to the land which Jehovah thy God gives thee, that thou shall set up for thee great stones, and plaster them with

plaster. ^{27:3} And thou shall write upon them all the words of this law when thou have passed over, that thou may go in to the land which Jehovah thy God gives thee, a land flowing with milk and honey, as Jehovah, the God of thy fathers, has promised thee.

^{27:4} And it shall be, when ye have passed over the Jordan, that ye shall set up these stones, which I command you this day, in mount Ebal, and thou shall plaster them with plaster. ^{27:5} And there thou shall build an altar to Jehovah thy God, an altar of stones. Thou shall lift up no iron upon them. ^{27:6} Thou shall build the altar of Jehovah thy God of unhewn stones. And thou shall offer burnt offerings on it to Jehovah thy God. ^{27:7} And thou shall sacrifice peace offerings, and shall eat there, and thou shall rejoice before Jehovah thy God. ^{27:8} And thou shall write upon the stones all the words of this law very plainly.

^{27:9} And Moses and the priests the Levites spoke to all Israel, saying, Keep silence, and hearken, O Israel. This day thou have become the people of Jehovah thy God. ^{27:10} Thou shall therefore obey the voice of Jehovah thy God, and do his commandments and his statutes, which I command thee this day.

Many Blessings or Curses

^{27:11} And Moses charged the people the same day, saying, ^{27:12} These shall stand upon mount Gerizim to bless the people, when ye have passed over the Jordan: Simeon, and Levi, and Judah, and Issachar, and Joseph, and Benjamin. ^{27:13} And these shall stand upon mount Ebal for the curse: Reuben, Gad, and Asher, and Zebulun, Dan, and Naphtali. ^{27:14} And the Levites shall answer, and say to all the men of Israel with a loud voice, ... ^{27:26} Cursed is every man who does not continue in all the words of this law to do them. And all the people shall say, Amen.

^{28:1} And it shall come to pass, if thou shall hearken diligently to the voice of Jehovah thy God, to observe to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that Jehovah thy God will set thee on high above all the nations of the earth, ^{28:2} and all these blessings shall come upon thee, and overtake thee, if thou shall hearken to the voice of Jehovah thy God ...

^{28:9} Jehovah will establish thee for a holy people to himself, as he has sworn to thee, if thou shall keep the commandments of Jehovah thy God, and walk in his ways. ^{28:10} And all the peoples of the earth shall see that thou are called by the name of Jehovah, and they shall be afraid of thee. ...

^{28:13} And Jehovah will make thee the head, and not the tail. And thou shall only be above, and thou shall not be beneath, if

thou shalt hearken to the commandments of Jehovah thy God, which I command thee this day, to observe and to do, ^{28:14} and shall not turn aside from any of the words which I command you this day, to the right hand, or to the left, to go after other gods to serve them.

^{28:15} But it shall come to pass, if thou wilt not hearken to the voice of Jehovah thy God, to observe to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command thee this day ... ^{28:20} Jehovah will send upon thee cursing, discomfiture, and rebuke, in all that thou put thy hand to do, until thou be destroyed, and until thou perish quickly, because of the evil of thy doings, by which thou hast forsaken me. ...

^{28:45} And all these curses shall come upon thee, and shall pursue thee, and overtake thee, till thou be destroyed, because thou hearkenedst not to the voice of Jehovah thy God, to keep his commandments and his statutes which he commanded thee, ^{28:46} and they shall be upon thee for a sign and for a wonder, and upon thy seed forever.

^{28:47} Because thou servedst not Jehovah thy God with joyfulness, and with gladness of heart, by reason of the abundance of all things, ^{28:48} therefore thou shalt serve thine enemies that Jehovah shall send against thee ... until he has destroyed thee.

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^{28:58} If thou wilt not observe to do all the words of this law that are written in this book, that thou mayest fear this glorious and fearful name, JEHOVAH THY GOD, ^{28:59} then Jehovah will make thy calamities extraordinary, and the calamities of thy seed, even great calamities, and of long continuance, and severe sicknesses, and of long continuance. ^{28:60} And he will bring upon thee again all the diseases of Egypt, which thou wast afraid of, and they shall cling to thee. ^{28:61} Also every sickness, and every calamity, which is not written in the book of this law, them Jehovah will bring upon thee, until thou be destroyed. ^{28:62} And ye shall be left few in number, whereas ye were as the stars of heaven for multitude, because thou didst not hearken to the voice of Jehovah thy God.

^{28:63} And it shall come to pass, that, as Jehovah rejoiced over you to do you good, and to multiply you, so Jehovah will rejoice over you to cause you to perish, and to destroy you. And ye shall be plucked from off the land where thou go in to possess it. ^{28:64} And Jehovah will scatter thee among all peoples, from the one end of the earth even to the other end of the earth. And there thou shalt serve other gods, which thou hast not known,

thou nor thy fathers, even wood and stone. ^{28:65} And among these nations thou shall find no ease, and there shall be no rest for the sole of thy foot, but Jehovah will give thee there a trembling heart, and failing of eyes, and pining of soul. ^{28:66} And thy life shall hang in doubt before thee, and thou shall fear night and day, and shall have no assurance of thy life. ...

^{29:1} These are the words of the covenant which Jehovah commanded Moses to make with the sons of Israel in the land of Moab, besides the covenant which he made with them in Horeb.

Moses Reminds Them of God's Care

^{29:2} And Moses called to all Israel, and said to them, Ye have seen all that Jehovah did before your eyes in the land of Egypt to Pharaoh, and to all his servants, and to all his land, ^{29:3} the great trials which thine eyes saw, the signs, and those great wonders, ^{29:4} yet Jehovah has not given you a heart to know, and eyes to see, and ears to hear, to this day.

^{29:5} And I have led you forty years in the wilderness. Your clothes have not grown old upon you, and thy shoe has not grown old upon thy foot. ^{29:6} Ye have not eaten bread, neither have ye drunk wine or strong drink, that ye may know that I am Jehovah your God.

^{29:7} And when ye came to this place, Sihon the king of Heshbon, and Og the king of Bashan, came out against us to battle, and we smote them. ^{29:8} And we took their land, and gave it for an inheritance to the Reubenites, and to the Gadites, and to the half-tribe of the Manassites. ^{29:9} Keep therefore the words of this covenant, and do them, that ye may prosper in all that ye do.

^{29:10} Ye stand this day all of you before Jehovah your God—your heads, your tribes, your elders, and your officers, even all the men of Israel, ^{29:11} your little ones, your wives, and thy sojourner who is in the midst of thy camps, from the hewer of thy wood to the drawer of thy water— ^{29:12} that thou may enter into the covenant of Jehovah thy God, and into his oath, which Jehovah thy God makes with thee this day, ^{29:13} that he may establish thee this day to himself for a people, and that he may be to thee a God, as he spoke to thee, and as he swore to thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. ...

^{29:29} The secret things belong to Jehovah our God, but the things that are revealed belong to us and to our sons forever, that we may do all the words of this law.

Jehovah Will Rejoice When They Repent

^{30:1} And it shall come to pass, when all these things have come upon thee, the blessing and the curse, which I have set before thee, and thou shall call them to mind among all the nations, where Jehovah thy God has driven thee, ^{30:2} and shall return to Jehovah thy God, and shall obey his voice according to all that I command thee this day, thou and thy sons, with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, ^{30:3} that then Jehovah thy God will turn thy captivity, and have compassion upon thee, and will return and gather thee from all the peoples where Jehovah thy God has scattered thee. ^{30:4} If *any of* thine outcasts be in the outermost parts of heaven, from there Jehovah thy God will gather thee, and from there he will fetch thee.

^{30:5} And Jehovah thy God will bring thee into the land which thy fathers possessed, and thou shall possess it, and he will do thee good, and multiply thee above thy fathers. ^{30:6} And Jehovah thy God will circumcise thy heart, and the heart of thy seed, to love Jehovah thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, that thou may live. ^{30:7} And Jehovah thy God will put all these curses upon thine enemies, and on those who hate thee, who persecuted thee.

^{30:8} And thou shall return and obey the voice of Jehovah, and do all his commandments which I command thee this day. ^{30:9} And Jehovah thy God will make thee plenteous in all the work of thy hand, in the fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy ground, for good. For Jehovah will again rejoice over thee for good, as he rejoiced over thy fathers, ^{30:10} if thou shall obey the voice of Jehovah thy God, to keep his commandments and his statutes which are written in this book of the law; if thou turn to Jehovah thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul.

Israel Urged to Love and Obey God

^{30:11} For this commandment which I command thee this day, it is not too hard for thee, neither is it far off. ^{30:12} It is not in heaven, that thou should say, Who shall go up for us to heaven, and bring it to us, and make us to hear it, that we may do it? ^{30:13} Neither is it beyond the sea, that thou should say, Who shall go over the sea for us, and bring it to us, and make us to hear it, that we may do it? ^{30:14} But the word is very near to thee, in thy mouth, and in thy heart, that thou may do it.

^{30:15} See, I have set before thee this day life and good, and death and evil, ^{30:16} in that I command thee this day to love Jehovah thy God, to walk in his ways, and to keep his commandments and his statutes and his ordinances, that thou may live and multiply, and that Jehovah thy God may bless thee in the land where thou go in to possess it.

^{30:17} But if thy heart turns away, and thou will not hear, but shall be drawn away, and worship other gods, and serve them, ^{30:18} I declare to you this day, that ye shall surely perish. Ye shall not prolong your days in the land where thou pass over the Jordan to go in to possess it.

^{30:19} I call heaven and earth to witness against you this day, that I have set before thee life and death, the blessing and the curse. Therefore choose life, that thou may live, thou and thy seed, ^{30:20} to love Jehovah thy God, to obey his voice, and to cling to him, for he is thy life, and the length of thy days, that thou may dwell in the land which Jehovah swore to thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.

God Will Go Before Them into Canaan

^{31:1} And Moses went and spoke these words to all Israel. ^{31:2} And he said to them, I am a hundred and twenty years old this day. I can no more go out and come in. And Jehovah has said to me, Thou shall not go over this Jordan.

^{31:3} Jehovah thy God, he will go over before thee. He will destroy these nations from before thee, and thou shall possess them. Joshua, he shall go over before thee, as Jehovah has spoken. ^{31:4} And Jehovah will do to them as he did to Sihon and to Og, the kings of the Amorites, and to their land, whom he destroyed. ^{31:5} And Jehovah will deliver them up before you, and ye shall do to them according to all the commandment which I have commanded you.

^{31:6} Be strong and of good courage, fear not, nor be frightened at them, for Jehovah thy God, he it is who goes with thee. He will not leave thee, nor forsake thee.

^{31:7} And Moses called to Joshua, and said to him in the sight of all Israel, Be strong and of good courage. For thou shall go with this people into the land which Jehovah has sworn to their fathers to give them, and thou shall cause them to inherit it. ^{31:8} And Jehovah, he it is who goes before thee. He will be with thee. He will not fail thee, nor forsake thee. Fear not, neither be dismayed.

^{31:9} And Moses wrote this law, and delivered it to the priests the sons of Levi, who bore the ark of the covenant of Jehovah, and to all the elders of Israel. ...

Final Instructions to Moses

^{31:14} And Jehovah said to Moses, Behold, thy days approach that thou must die. Call Joshua, and present yourselves in the tent of meeting, that I may give him a command. And Moses and Joshua went, and presented themselves in the tent of meeting.

^{31:15} And Jehovah appeared in the tent in a pillar of cloud, and the pillar of cloud stood over the door of the tent.

^{31:16} And Jehovah said to Moses, Behold, thou shall sleep with thy fathers. And this people will rise up, and play the harlot after the strange gods of the land where they go to be among them, and will forsake me, and break my covenant which I have made with them. ^{31:17} Then my anger shall be kindled against them in that day, and I will forsake them, and I will hide my face from them, and they shall be devoured, and many evils and troubles shall come upon them, so that they will say in that day, Have not these evils come upon us because our God is not among us?

^{31:18} And I will surely hide my face in that day for all the evil which they shall have wrought, in that they have turned to other gods.

^{31:19} Now therefore write ye this song for you, and teach thou it the sons of Israel. Put it in their mouths, that this song may be a witness for me against the sons of Israel. ...

^{31:23} And he gave Joshua the son of Nun a command, and said, Be strong and of good courage, for thou shall bring the sons of Israel into the land which I swore to them, and I will be with thee.

Moses' Last Words to the People

^{31:24} And it came to pass, when Moses had made an end of writing the words of this law in a book, until they were finished,

^{31:25} that Moses commanded the Levites, who bore the ark of the covenant of Jehovah, saying, ^{31:26} Take this book of the law, and put it by the side of the ark of the covenant of Jehovah your God, that it may be there for a witness against thee.

^{31:27} For I know thy rebellion, and thy stiff neck. Behold, while I am yet alive with you this day, ye have been rebellious against Jehovah, and how much more after my death? ^{31:28} Assemble to me all the elders of your tribes, and your officers, that I may speak these words in their ears, and call heaven and earth to

witness against them. ^{31:29} For I know that after my death ye will utterly corrupt yourselves, and turn aside from the way which I have commanded you. And evil will befall you in the latter days, because ye will do that which is evil in the sight of Jehovah, to provoke him to anger through the work of your hands.

^{31:30} And Moses spoke in the ears of all the assembly of Israel the words of this song, until they were finished ... ^{32:44} And Moses came and spoke all the words of this song in the ears of the people, he and Hoshea *Joshua* the son of Nun. ^{32:45} And Moses made an end of speaking all these words to all Israel.

^{32:46} And he said to them, Set your heart to all the words which I testify to you this day, which ye shall command your sons to observe to do, *even* all the words of this law. ^{32:47} For it is no vain thing for you, because it is your life, and through this thing ye shall prolong your days in the land where ye go over the Jordan to possess it.

The Death of Moses

^{32:48} And Jehovah spoke to Moses that selfsame day, saying, ^{32:49} Get thee up onto this mountain of Abarim, to mount Nebo, which is in the land of Moab, that is opposite Jericho, and behold the land of Canaan, which I give to the sons of Israel for a possession. ^{32:50} And die on the mount where thou go up, and be gathered to thy people, as Aaron thy brother died in mount Hor, and was gathered to his people, ^{32:51} because ye trespassed against me in the midst of the sons of Israel at the waters of Meribah of Kadesh, in the wilderness of Zin, because ye did not sanctify me in the midst of the sons of Israel. ^{32:52} For thou shall see the land before thee, but thou shall not go there into the land which I give the sons of Israel.

^{33:1} And this is the blessing with which Moses the man of God blessed the sons of Israel before his death. ^{33:2} And he said, Jehovah came from Sinai, and rose from Seir to them. He shined forth from mount Paran, and he came from the ten thousands of holy ones. At his right hand was a fiery law for them. ^{33:3} Yea, he loves the people. All his sanctified are in thy hand, and they sat down at thy feet. He shall receive from thy words. ^{33:4} Moses commanded for us a law, an inheritance for the assembly of Jacob. ^{33:5} And he was king in Jeshurun when the heads of the people were gathered, all the tribes of Israel together. ...

^{33:26} There is none like God, O Jeshurun, who rides upon the heavens for thy help, and in his excellency on the skies. ^{33:27} The eternal God is *thy* dwelling-place, and underneath are the ever-

lasting arms. And he thrust out the enemy from before thee, and said, Destroy. ^{33:28} And Israel dwells in safety, the fountain of Jacob alone, in a land of grain and new wine. Yea, his heavens drop down dew. ^{33:29} Happy are thou, O Israel. Who is like thee, a people saved by Jehovah, the shield of thy help, and the sword of thy excellency! And thine enemies shall submit themselves to thee, and thou shalt tread upon their high places.

^{34:1} And Moses went up from the plains of Moab to mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, that is opposite Jericho. And Jehovah showed him all the land of Gilead, to Dan, ^{34:2} and all Naph-tali, and the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, and all the land of Judah, to the farther sea, ^{34:3} and the South, and the Plain of the valley of Jericho the city of palm trees, to Zoar.

^{34:4} And Jehovah said to him, This is the land which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, I will give it to thy seed. I have caused thee to see it with thine eyes, but thou shall not go over there.

^{34:5} So Moses the servant of Jehovah died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of Jehovah. ^{34:6} And he buried him in the valley in the land of Moab opposite Beth-peor, but no man knows of his sepulcher to this day. ^{34:7} And Moses was a hundred and twenty years old when he died. His eye was not dim, nor his natural force abated. ^{34:8} And the sons of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days. So the days of weeping and mourning for Moses were ended.

^{34:9} And Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, for Moses had laid his hands upon him. And the sons of Israel hearkened to him, and did as Jehovah commanded Moses.

^{34:10} And there has not arisen a prophet since in Israel like Moses, whom Jehovah knew face to face, ^{34:11} in all the signs and the wonders, which Jehovah sent him to do in the land of Egypt, to Pharaoh, and to all his servants, and to all his land, ^{34:12} and in all the mighty hand, and in all the great terror, which Moses wrought in the sight of all Israel.

