

This morning/afternoon we'd like to see the book of Numbers 10:1-36 under the title of “Trumpets.”

- Q1. In this chapter 10, what divine purposes to blast/blow trumpets are listed?
- Q2. In this chapter, describe “the order of march of the children of Israel, according to their armies”?
- Q3. In verses 34 and 35, “And the cloud of the LORD was above them by day when they went out from the camp. <sup>35</sup> So it was, whenever the ark set out, that Moses said: “Rise up, O LORD! Let Your enemies be scattered, And let those who hate You flee before You,” what divine characteristic can we see?”

**(Background)** In 1446 BC, Moses wrote this book.

(Numbers 1:3, 46, 49)<sup>3</sup> from twenty years old and above—all who *are able to* go to war in Israel. You and Aaron shall number them by their armies. <sup>46</sup> all who were numbered were six hundred and three thousand five hundred and fifty. <sup>49</sup> “Only the tribe of Levi you shall not number, nor take a census of them among the children of Israel” (603,550 except Levites) => About 3 million Israelites

38 years later (Numbers 26: 51) These *are* those who were numbered of the children of Israel: six hundred and one thousand seven hundred and thirty. (601,730)

Aaron’s sons –( Numbers 3:2-3), <sup>2</sup> And these *are* the names of the sons of Aaron: Nadab, the firstborn, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar. <sup>3</sup> These *are* the names of the sons of Aaron, the anointed priests, whom he consecrated to minister as priests.” - Nadab & Abihu’s death (Lev 10:1-2) “Then Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, each took his censer and put fire in it, put incense on it, and offered profane fire before the LORD, which He had not commanded them. <sup>2</sup> So fire went out from the LORD and devoured them, and they died before the LORD.”

In light of Numbers 2, 3, and Genesis 49,

	Dan7 Asher 9 Naphtali10	
Ephraim11-2 Manasseh 11-1 Benjamin 12	<b>Tabernacle</b> (Levites) * Kohath(S) Gershon(W) Merari(N) Reuben1 Simeon2 Gad8	Judah4 Issachar6 Zebulun5

\* Moses, Aaron, Aaron’s descendants ; distance tribe camps and tabernacle was 2,000 cubits (~ 1 km ~ 0.6 mile)

<sup>1</sup> And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying: <sup>2</sup>“Make two silver trumpets for yourself; you shall make them of hammered work; you shall use them for calling the congregation and for directing the movement of the camps. <sup>3</sup> When they blow both of them, all the congregation shall gather before you at the door of the tabernacle of meeting. <sup>4</sup> But if they blow *only one*, then the leaders, the heads of the divisions of Israel, shall gather to you. <sup>5</sup> When you sound the advance, the camps that lie on the east side shall then begin their journey. <sup>6</sup> When you sound the advance the second time, then the camps that lie on the south side shall begin their journey; they shall sound the call for them to begin their journeys.

<sup>7</sup> And when the assembly is to be gathered together, you shall blow, but not sound the advance. <sup>8</sup> The sons of Aaron, the priests, shall blow the trumpets; and these shall be to you as an ordinance forever throughout your generations.

<sup>9</sup>“When you go to war in your land against the enemy who oppresses you, then you shall sound an alarm with the trumpets, and you will be remembered before the LORD your God, and you will be saved from your enemies. <sup>10</sup> Also in the day of your gladness, in your appointed feasts, and at the beginning of your months, you shall blow the trumpets over your burnt offerings and over the sacrifices of your peace offerings; and they shall be a memorial for you before your God: I am the LORD your God.”

<sup>11</sup> Now it came to pass on the twentieth day of the second month, in the second year, that the cloud was taken up from above the tabernacle of the Testimony. <sup>12</sup> And the children of

1= spoke to Moses (like a commander in chief)

2= two silver trumpets; Q1 for calling the congregation (to gather); for directing the movement of the camps (to move/journey)

5= the advance (to begin journey); the east side shall then begin their journey (not south, west, north side)

6= the second time, on the south side; begin their journey

8= The sons of Aaron, the priests; blow the trumpets

9=Q1 go to war; sound an alarm with the trumpets <sup>1</sup>Joshua 6:8; you will be saved from your enemies (God's protection)

10= Q1 in your appointed feasts; shall blow the trumpets <sup>2</sup>Psalms 81:3; Leviticus 23:24 + Trumpet Judg. <sup>3</sup>Rev 8:13; 2<sup>nd</sup> coming JC in Heaven <sup>4</sup>1 Thess 4:16

11= on the twentieth day of the second month, in the second year (past the 1<sup>st</sup> Passover feast, 1/14 <sup>5</sup>Lev 23:5)

<sup>1</sup> Joshua 6:8 So it was, when Joshua had spoken to the people, that the seven priests bearing the seven trumpets of rams' horns before the LORD advanced and blew the trumpets, and the ark of the covenant of the LORD followed them.

<sup>2</sup> Psalm 81:3 Blow the trumpet at the time of the New Moon, At the full moon, on our solemn feast day.; Leviticus 23:24 "Speak to the children of Israel, saying: 'In the seventh month, on the first day of the month, you shall have a sabbath-rest, a memorial of blowing of trumpets, a holy convocation.

<sup>3</sup> Revelation 8:13 And I looked, and I heard an angel flying through the midst of heaven, saying with a loud voice, "Woe, woe, woe to the inhabitants of the earth, because of the remaining blasts of the trumpet of the three angels who are about to sound!"

<sup>4</sup> 1 Thessalonians 4:16 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first.

<sup>5</sup> Leviticus 23:5 On the fourteenth day of the first month at twilight is the LORD's Passover.

Israel set out from the Wilderness of Sinai on their journeys; then the cloud settled down in the Wilderness of Paran.

<sup>13</sup> So they started out for the first time according to the command of the LORD by the hand of Moses.

<sup>14</sup> The standard of the camp of the children of Judah set out first according to their armies; over their army was Nahshon the son of Amminadab. <sup>15</sup> Over the army of the tribe of the children of Issachar was Nethanel the son of Zuar. <sup>16</sup> And over the army of the tribe of the children of Zebulun was Eliab the son of Helon.

<sup>17</sup> Then the tabernacle was taken down; and the sons of Gershon and the sons of Merari set out, carrying the tabernacle.

<sup>18</sup> And the standard of the camp of Reuben set out according to their armies; over their army was Elizur the son of Shedeur. <sup>19</sup> Over the army of the tribe of the children of Simeon was Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai. <sup>20</sup> And over the army of the tribe of the children of Gad was Eliasaph the son of Deuel.

<sup>21</sup> Then the Kohathites set out, carrying the holy things. (The tabernacle would be prepared for their arrival.)

<sup>22</sup> And the standard of the camp of the children of Ephraim set out according to their armies; over their army was Elishama the son of Ammihud. <sup>23</sup> Over the army of the tribe of the children of Manasseh was Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur. <sup>24</sup> And over the army of the tribe of the children of Benjamin was Abidan the son of Gideoni.

13-28 Q2

13= started out for the first time; by the hand of Moses (like a commander in chief) + 8 (above)

14= children of Judah; Nahshon (like a divisional commander)

17= the tabernacle was taken down; Gershon <sup>6</sup>Numbers 3:25-26; Merari <sup>7</sup>Numbers 3:36-37

18= the camp of Reuben (south side)

21= Kohathites; carrying the holy things (the ark of covenant, <sup>8</sup>Numbers 3:27-28)

22= the children of Ephraim (Joseph's 2<sup>nd</sup> son; from west side)

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<sup>6</sup> Numbers 3:25-26 The duties of the children of Gershon in the tabernacle of meeting *included* the tabernacle, the tent with its covering, the screen for the door of the tabernacle of meeting, <sup>26</sup> the screen for the door of the court, the hangings of the court which *are* around the tabernacle and the altar, and their cords, according to all the work relating to them.

<sup>7</sup> Numbers 3:36-37 And the appointed duty of the children of Merari *included* the boards of the tabernacle, its bars, its pillars, its sockets, its utensils, all the work relating to them, <sup>37</sup> and the pillars of the court all around, with their sockets, their pegs, and their cords.

<sup>8</sup> Numbers 3:27-28 From Kohath *came* the family of the Amramites, the family of the Izharites, the family of the Hebronites, and the family of the Uzzielites; these *were* the families of the Kohathites. <sup>28</sup> According to the number of all the males, from a month old and above, *there were* eight thousand six hundred keeping charge of the sanctuary.

<sup>25</sup> Then the standard of the camp of the children of Dan (the rear guard of all the camps) set out according to their armies; over their army *was* Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.

25= the children of Dan (from North side)

<sup>26</sup> Over the army of the tribe of the children of Asher *was* Pagiel the son of Ocran. <sup>27</sup> And over the army of the tribe of the children of Naphtali *was* Ahira the son of Enan.

28= Q2 the order of march of the children of Israel, according to their armies

<sup>28</sup> Thus *was* the order of march of the children of Israel, according to their armies, when they began their journey.

29= Hobab (brother in law, desert expert – how to find water; where to rest /tent; how to survive in tent )

<sup>29</sup> Now Moses said to Hobab the son of Reuel the Midianite, Moses' father-in-law, “We are setting out for the place of which the LORD said, ‘I will give it to you.’ Come with us, and we will treat you well; for the LORD has promised good things to Israel.”

<sup>30</sup> And he said to him, “I will not go, but I will depart to my *own* land and to my relatives.”

31= you can be our eyes (‘you are a guide. ‘ Moses acknowledged Hobab, respect/ acknowledge/ appreciate him – edifier to us <sup>9</sup>Eph 4:12, not glorify, e.g., clap for the worship team)

<sup>31</sup> So *Moses* said, “Please do not leave, inasmuch as you know how we are to camp in the wilderness, and you can be our eyes.”

<sup>32</sup> And it shall be, if you go with us—indeed it shall be—that whatever good the LORD will do to us, the same we will do to you.”

32 = that whatever good the LORD will do to us, the same we will do to you (Divine covenant to Abraham <sup>10</sup>Gen 12:3)

<sup>33</sup> So they departed from the mountain of the LORD on a journey of three days; and the ark of the covenant of the LORD went before them for the three days' journey, to search out a resting place for them. <sup>34</sup> And the cloud of the LORD *was* above them by day when they went out from the camp.

34-35 = Q3 the cloud of the Lord... above them by day when they went out from the camp;  
35= whenever the ark set out; Moses said (prayed); Let Your enemies be scattered (God's protection <sup>11</sup>Deut 1:33 – God prepared a place for me as well as me for the place)

<sup>35</sup> So it was, whenever the ark set out, that Moses said:

“Rise up, O LORD!  
Let Your enemies be scattered,

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<sup>9</sup> Eph 4:12 for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ,

<sup>10</sup> Gen 12:3 I will bless those who bless you, And I will curse him who curses you; And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

<sup>11</sup> Deut 1:33 who went in the way before you to search out a place for you to pitch your tents, to show you the way you should go, in the fire by night and in the cloud by day.

And let those who hate You flee before You.”

<sup>36</sup> And when it rested, he said:

“Return, O LORD,  
To the many thousands of Israel.”

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