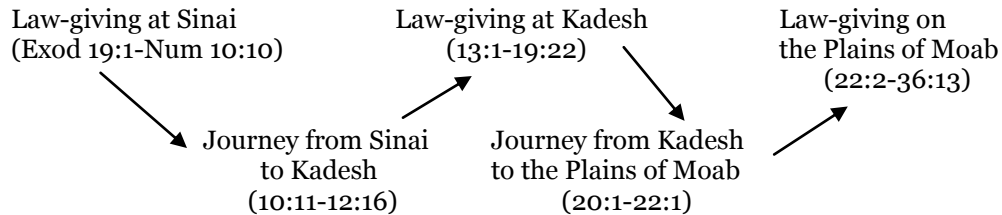


Numbers 9

Lesson 9: Watch the Clock of God's Commands
(Do What the Commander Says When He Says to Do It)

A. Mapping the Big Picture

1. Theme – The Wilderness: Extreme Lessons that Count
2. Chronological Outline of Numbers
 - a. Num 1-10 ... 20 days ... 1446/5 BC
 - b. Num 11-25 ... 38 Years, 3 Months, 10 Days ...
 - c. Num 26-36 ... 5-6 Months ... 1406/5 BC
3. Geographic Outline of Numbers



4. Some Keys to the Book
 - a. “God is not a man, that he should lie,
or a son of man, that he should change his mind.
Has he said, and will he not do it?
Or has he spoken, and will he not fulfill it?”
Num 23:19 (ESV) / Emphasis: God’s faithfulness
 - b. “And the LORD said to Moses and Aaron,
‘Because you did not believe in me,
to uphold me as holy in the eyes of the people of Israel,
therefore you shall not bring this assembly into the land
that I have given them.’”
Num 20:12 (ESV) / Emphasis: man’s unfaithfulness

B. Scouting Out Some Details in Num 8

Numbers 1 – Delegate -- and Take Stock of God’s Blessing
 Numbers 2 – Place What’s Most Important in the Center – God!
 Numbers 3 – Identify People who Love God’s Holiness as Leaders
 Numbers 4 – Count Capable Men – And Delegate Duties to Them
 Numbers 5 – Keep the Camp Clean
 Numbers 6 – A Vow of Dedication Demands More
 Numbers 7 – Wise Leaders Dedicate Their People & Resources
 Numbers 8 – Give Top Helpers a Bright, Clean Start

1. (9:1-14) The Passover – Keeping It Timely
 - a. The Command (vv. 1-4)
 - b. The Response (v. 5)
 - c. A Case of Missing Passover (vv. 6-8)
 - i. The Defiling Reason (v. 6)
 - ii. The Men’s Request (v. 7)
 - iii. Moses’s Stay (v. 8)
 - d. God’s Instructions (vv. 9-14)
 - i. Those Unclean on Passover (vv. 10-12)
 - ii. Those Clean on Passover (v. 13)
 - iii. The Foreigner on Passover (v. 14)
2. (9:15-23) God’s Presence – Following It Closely
 - a. The Tabernacle – Covered Day & Night (vv. 15-16)
 - b. The People – Led by God’s Presence (vv. 17-23)
 - i. Cloud Up – Journey (v. 17)
 - ii. Cloud Down – Camp (v. 18)
 - iii. Summary (vv. 19-20)
 - iv. Short Stays & Night Departures (v. 21)
 - v. Varied Stays (v. 22)
 - vi. The Crucial Issue (v. 23)

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3. Some NT Application

Timing for Obedience

- a. 2 Cor 6:2
- b. Prov 20:11
- c. Prov 22:6
- d. Eccl 11-12
- e. Hebrews 3:7-15

An OT Example

- f. Exod 16:25
- g.

Others

- h.
- i.
- j.
- k.

C. Undertaking Application

1. A Word to the Wise, Who Do Memorize – See a verse to memorize?
2. Shiny Imprints & Digging for Gold – List a great truth you noticed.
3. Praying to the Lord for Wisdom – Write out a prayer.
4. Gearing Up for the Next Adventure (Num 10)
 - a. What occasions did the two silver trumpets signal (vv. 1-18)?
 - b. Did the marching order of the Israelite tribes match God's command earlier in Numbers?
 - c. How did Moses view his father-in-law (vv. 29-32)? With God leading them, why would Moses think this way?
 - d. How did Moses address the Lord's lead to march and to camp (vv. 33-36)?

D. Further Insight