

Numbers Reading Plan

September - October 2024

We are back to our reading of the Torah this fall. We took a short break in the summer and after finishing the book of Leviticus. So just to bring us all up to speed, by the end of Leviticus, the Israelites were still at Mount Sinai. They were given a holiness code guiding them on how they ought to maintain pure and holy for Yahweh, their God, through sacrifices and rituals. Much of Leviticus was an outline of the practices and rituals, and minimal progress was made to the story. The Book of Numbers picks up the story and is like a travel log recording the Israelites' journey from Mount Sinai to the Plains of Moab. The book is structured around 3 main locations, with 2 short travel accounts in between.

Numbers, with all its lists, repetitive laws, and odd accounts, might feel like a hard book to read. Here are a few suggestions to help you navigate the reading.

- **Keep the big picture in mind.** God is keeping His covenant with Abraham by bringing the newly redeemed people to the promised land.
- **A map - Structure of Numbers**
 - A Num 1-10a: Mount Sinai
 - B Num 10b-12: The Travel Account
 - C Num 13-19: Wilderness of Paran
 - D Num 20-21: Another Travel Account
 - E Num 22-36 Plains of Moab
- **Things to look for/ compare:**
 - The population between the first and the second gen (Num 1 vs 26)
 - The importance of the Levites (Num 3-6)
 - The next gen fighting for the land (Num 26-36)
 - The hard-heartedness of the people (Num 11-14, 16-18)
- **Additional Resource:**
 "Book of Numbers Summary" by Bible Project
<https://bit.ly/475VQxW>

Date	Reading	Read?
Numbers: The Journey Continues		
Mount Sinai (1:1-10:10)		
9/1	Numbers 1:1-54	
9/2	Numbers 2:1-34	
9/3	Numbers 3:1-20	
9/4	Numbers 3:21-51	
9/5	Numbers 4:1-20	
9/6	Numbers 4:21-49	
9/7	Numbers 5:1-31	
9/8	Numbers 6:1-21	
9/9	Numbers 6:22-27	
9/10	Numbers 7:1-23	
9/11	Numbers 7:24-47	
9/12	Numbers 7:48-71	
9/13	Numbers 7:72-89	
9/14	Numbers 8:1-26	
9/15	Numbers 9:1-23	
9/16	Numbers 10:1-10	
Travel Account (10:11-12:16)		
9/17	Numbers 10:11-36	
9/18	Numbers 11:1-35	
9/19	Numbers 12:1-16	
Wilderness of Paran (13:1-19:22)		
9/20	Numbers 13:1-24	
9/21	Numbers 13:25-33	
9/22	Numbers 14:1-19	
9/23	Numbers 14:20-45	
9/24	Numbers 15:1-21	
9/25	Numbers 15:22-41	
9/26	Numbers 16:1-22	
9/27	Numbers 16:23-50	
9/28	Numbers 17:1-13	
9/29	Numbers 18:1-7	
9/30	Numbers 18:8-32	

10/1	Numbers 19:1-22	
Another Travel Account (20:1-21:35)		
10/2	Numbers 20:1-13	
10/3	Numbers 20:14-29	
10/4	Numbers 21:1-20	
10/5	Numbers 21:21-35	
Plains of Moab (22:1-36:13)		
10/6	Numbers 22:1-21	
10/7	Numbers 22:22-41	
10/8	Numbers 23:1-12	
10/9	Numbers 23:13-26	
10/10	Numbers 23:27-24:14	
10/11	Numbers 24:15-25	
10/12	Numbers 25:1-18	
10/13	Numbers 26:1-65	
10/14	Numbers 27:1-11	
10/15	Numbers 27:12-23	
10/16	Numbers 28:1-15	
10/17	Numbers 28:16-31	
10/18	Numbers 29:1-11	
10/19	Numbers 29:12-40	
10/20	Numbers 30:1-16	
10/21	Numbers 31:1-12	
10/22	Numbers 31:13-24	
10/23	Numbers 31:25-54	
10/24	Numbers 32:1-15	
10/25	Numbers 32:16-32	
10/26	Numbers 32:33-42	
10/27	Numbers 33:1-49	
10/28	Numbers 33:50-56	
10/29	Numbers 34:1-29	
10/30	Numbers 35:1-34	
10/31	Numbers 36:1-13	