

## Numbers – Part 7

### Revision of Numbers - Part 1 - 6:

1. Book of Numbers – the journey of the Israelites in the wilderness for 40 years before entering the Promised Land.
2. The reason for the punishment of 40 years' wandering – no faith in God.
3. Too Little, Too Late – defeat in fighting with our own way and own strength

### 1. Ordinances to be Observed in Promised Land (15:1-41)

- (a) Note verse 2 – it is “when” and not “if”. This is a sure guarantee from God that Israel will enter the Promised Land. God is very gracious even after Israel had sinned.
- (b) Verses 3-16: Sin offering (for purification) -> Burnt offering (atonement of sin) -> Peace offering (with sins forgiven the sinner has peace with God) -> Meat offering (thank offering)  
Verses 17-21: Heave offering (thank offering) not related to sin. Israel must thank God for the food from ground. Say “grace” before meals.
- (c) Fringes on garments as Reminders (v.37-41) – remember the commandments of the Lord to obey them.

### 2. Rebellion of Korah, Dathan and Abiram (16:1-17:13)

- (a) Follow the Wrong Leaders (16:1-50) – what was their charge against Moses? (v.3)  
Sin of Korah (v.8-10) – Discontentment which is against the Lord (v.11)
- (b) Note Moses' reaction (v.4) – Prayer first and then let God decide who is the leader
- (c) The Challenge (v.16-19) – Who are the people on each side?
- (d) Moses and Aaron pleaded to God for the people (v.20-22)
- (e) The Judgment of God (v.31-35) – the earth open and the fire came
- (f) Did the people learn the lesson? (v. 41). God's judgment of plaque (v.46-50). How many died? Note Aaron's intervention (v.48) – may we be a soul winner this way.
- (g) Budding of Aaron's Rod (17:1-13) – confirmation of levitical priestly ministry.  
How many rods in the Tabernacle? (v.3-4). Whose rod budded? (v.8)

### 3. Chapter 18: Duties and Portions of the Priests and Levites

- (a) Privilege comes with responsibilities (v.1).
- (b) How will the priests and levites be provided for? (v.8-10) Offerings of the people

**Chapter 19: Offering of the Red Heifer** (female cow) – preparation of the water of separation for purification or cleansing