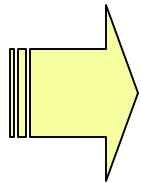


Numbers Outline (by Census)

- I. **The experiences of the 1st generation in the wilderness** (1:1 – 25:18)
 - A. The Census of the 1st generation, the Levites (1:1 – 4:49)
 - B. Instructions and Laws in preparation for the march to the land of promise (5:1 – 10:32)
 - C. Rebellion and judgment of an unbelieving people (10:33 – 25:18)
 - 1. Rebellion, atonement and death (11:1 – 20:29)
 - 2. Hope, final rebellion, and an end of their dying (21:1 – 25:18)
- II. **The preparation of the 2nd Generation for entry into the Land of Promise** (26:1 – 36:13)
 - A. The 2nd census and instructions for their entry (26:1 – 30:16)
 - B. Vengeance on the Midianites (31:1 – 54)
 - C. Settlement of the tribes east of the Jordan (32:1 – 42)
 - D. Final instructions and preparations (33:1 – 36:13)



Numbers by Chapter 11-25

11 The people and Moses complain, 70 elders, quail and judgment

12 The opposition of Miriam and Aaron

13 The 12 spies and the mixed report

14 Israel's rebellion and defeat

15 Laws on offerings, sin, the Sabbath, tassels

16 Korah's rebellion

I.C.1

17 Vindication of the true priesthood, the budding of Aaron's rod

18 Duties of the priests and Levites

19. Laws of purification – the red heifer

20. Moses' disobedience

21. The bronze serpent

I.C.2

22-24 Balaam and Balak

25 Israel's final rebellion



Numbers 11: Outline

- At Taberah “*burning*”
 - 1-3 the people complain
- At Kibroth Hataavah “*graves of craving*”
 - 4-9 The people complain about manna
 - 10-15 Moses’ complaint
 - 16-20 God’s response to Moses
 - 21-22 Moses repeats his unbelief
 - 23-30 the elders
 - 31-35 The quail judgment

Lessons from Chapter 11

1. This continuing story is a sterling example of God's continuing mercy in the midst of continuing complaint and rebellion.
2. If the root of sin is not removed, then its evil effects will continue to appear in our lives. (Don't treat deep issues superficially, i.e. put a band-aid on a broken arm.)
3. Be satisfied/content/grateful for God's provision
4. If God has called you to a task, He will also equip you for the task.
5. God has access to provisions of which we have no knowledge, i.e. manna/quail. God is not limited in providing for our needs, no matter how large we perceive the need to be. (5000)
6. Israel's continuing sin was unbelief...they did not believe God could provide.

Lessons from Chapter 11 (continued)

7. Israel's continuing sin was also doubt...doubting the character of God that He had their interests in mind.
8. Bad company corrupts good character (and even more so marginal character.) - the rabble
9. In times of distress, we can cry out to God.
10. Our enemy places unbelievers in the camp of the righteous.
11. In romanticizing the past, people tend to forget/overlook its discomforts. The devil will try to lead you astray by drawing you to the pleasant things of the past to the exclusion of its difficult realities.
12. Be careful you don't exchange your spiritual inheritance for a bowl of beans. (Esau) (Choosing the things of the world over spiritual riches.) their choice: the land of chains or the land of promise
13. Beware the enemy of an unbelieving heart.

Lessons from Chapter 11 (continued)

14. Fortunately, God does not always give us what we ask for, especially in the heat of emotions. (Moses: “kill me”) - Be careful/ prayerful of what you ask for.
15. Leaders face many difficulties within and without the camp.
16. Complaining is grievous to God’s ears.
17. How quickly the blessings of God are forgotten. Remember the things He has done.
18. The measure of a man is seen:
 - a. When he is on his knees before God, and
 - b. When he is in the midst of difficulties/trials.
19. Beware the power of the crowd to coerce decision/action
 - Moses
 - Aaron : golden calf
 - 10 spies

Lessons from Chapter 11 (continued)

20. Learn who God is by what He does.

Ex.1 God can part the red sea (or any sea)

versus: He is the Lord of nature/God of the miraculous

Ex. 2 If God can call something into existence out of nothing:

He can certainly feed 3 Million people.

21. There are seasons in our lives where God puts us in a private place in order to do a work in our hearts. (Israel in the wilderness - Ex. 15:22ff)

This was a time of instruction and heart preparation (faith of the heart needed) for the next season of warfare in the land.

Their work during this time was to learn the lessons God was teaching them.

22. Be careful that evil desires do not keep you from your inheritance in Christ. - Guard your heart -

Lessons from Chapter 11 (continued)

23. God does, at times, express His anger toward a continuously rebellious and complaining people.
24. It's good to have an intercessor in the camp.
(Moses v.2)