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Numbers 34-36

We come to our last study of the book of Numbers as we have moved verse by verse. The life in the wilderness is a life of death and hardship which caters to the flesh and one's own will.

The second generation is now given some last instructions on the boundaries, refuge cities and inheritance of land.

34:1-15 The boundaries of Canaan

34:1-2 The proclamation was from the Lord.

34:3-5 The southern borders.

34:6 The western borders.

34:7-9 The northern borders.

34:10-12 The eastern borders.

* The Sea of Chinnereth is the Sea of Galilee. vs. 11

34:13-15 The summary statement

34:13 1) The land would be divided by lots.

34:14 2) The land was for the nine and a half tribes.

34:15 3) The two and a half tribes on the east side of Jordan.

34:16-29 The names of the leaders to divide the land

34:16-17 Eleazar and Joshua were at the head of the list.

34:18 One of each tribe were to be picked.

34:19-28 The various names.

34:29 The summary statement.

35:1-8 The cities for the Levites

35:1-2 The cities were for them to dwell in not an inheritance as declared before. ch. 3-4, 18:21-24

35:3-5 1) The land was for their cattle, herds and animals.

2) For the teaching of the word.
Deut. 33:10

35:6 1) Six refuge cities for the man innocent of murder being an accident were to be appointed on both sides. vs. 14
2) Forty-two for their dwellings.
Josh. 21

35:7-8 The cities would come from the inheritance of the children of Israel in proportion to their size.

35:9-15 **The cities of refuge.**

35:9-10 The command to Moses

35:11-12 The purpose for the cities.

35:13-14 The locations of the cities.
* Deut. 4:41-43, 19:2, 9, Josh. 20:1-9

35:15 The people it protected.
* At times individuals would take hold of the horns on the altar.
1Kings 1:50-53, 2:28-31, Ps. 27:2-5, 31:2-4

35:16-28 **The various cases of murder**

35:16-18 The case of murder declared.

35:19 The executioner of the murderer.
Deut. 19:11-13, 21:1-9

35:20-21 The case of premeditated murder.

35:22-25 The case of manslaughter.

35:26-28 The limits of protection were within the refuge city.

1) Jesus is our refuge and since He won't die again we must abide in Him to be protected and our dying to self causes us to experience the greatest freedom. Jn. 15:1-8

2) The peace in our lives is not based on the fact that we are perfect or innocent of terrible sins but that all my past sins are blotted out and forgiven, having made peace with God.

a) He is our substitute. 2Cor. 5:21

b) He is our quickening spirit, the last Adam. 1Cor. 15:45

c) He is our redeemer from the law. Gal. 3:13

- d) He did it by His blood. Eph. 1:7, 1Pet 1:19
 e) He our life in whom we are hid in. Col. 3:3-4

36:13 The summary statement.

35:29-34 **The principles for the cases of murder.**

- 35:29** They are absolute and binding.
- 35:30** The requirement of two witnesses. Deut. 17:6, 19:15
- 35:31-32** The person could not buy his way out or plead bargain.
- 35:33-34** The Scriptural reasons for capital punishment. Gen. 9:6, Rom. 13:1-7, 1Pet. 2:13-25. 4:19

36:1-13 **The policy on marriage for female heirs**

- 36:1-4** The problem was land transfer at marriage.
- 36:5** Moses acknowledges the problem.
- 36:6-9** The solution to the problem was to marry within their own tribes.
- 36:10-12** The record of their obedience.