

Priceless Lessons from Gen W: An Exposition of Numbers
 You Are Now Living in the Book of Numbers
 Numbers 31–36
 The Lord’s Day Morning
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Numbers 31–32, previews how God will use Israel to execute justice on an evil culture in moral rebellion against him. God will then transfer the promised land along with all its property (livestock, vineyards, orchards, houses, wells, silver, and gold) to the Israelites, but if they too rebel against God, he will remove them from the land. God is entitled to do this because he is the maker and ruler of the universe and the owner of all things. In dealing with individuals or nations, he is always just or merciful, but he is never unjust. He has been unspeakably patient with the Midianites, and his patience may be mistaken for apathy. But God’s patience has finally reached a limit. Now positioned on the banks of the Jordan River (36:13), Israel is ready to enter the promised land from the east and possess their inheritance.

Numbers 33–36 shows the events of Numbers in context of all Scripture, and we note a familiar pattern:

Numbers 33:1–8 [Details in book of Exodus]	Numbers 33:9–49 [Details in book of Numbers]	Numbers 33:50–36:13 [Details in Book of Joshua]
Israel was _____ by the blood of lambs in Egypt, then baptized in the sea.	Israel was _____ God’s Law, then tempted in the wilderness for 40 years.	Israel was _____ from the east, conquered God’s enemies, and possessed their inheritance.
Jesus was _____ as the Lamb of God, then baptized in the Jordan.	Jesus was _____ in the wilderness for 40 days, then taught God’s Law.	Jesus was _____ over sin and death through his death and resurrection, then possessed his inheritance.
I was _____ by the blood of the Lamb, then baptized in water.	I am _____ sin and often fail like Israel.	I will _____ my inheritance of eternal life and the new earth.
Past: I was saved from the penalty of sin.	Present: I am being saved from the power of sin.	Future: I will be saved from the presence of sin and possess my inheritance.
Justification	Sanctification	Glorification