

# NUMBERS

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Stand Up And Be Counted

Winner, Wanderer, or Whiner?

CHAPTERS 8-9

# Book of Numbers - Victorious Life

- 1. Called to stand up & be counted**
- 2. Our God is a god of order**
- 3. We are all called to priestly service**
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**A winning walk or victorious life are directly related to conduct & commitment to others as well as the Lord**

# NOTES: Review

- \* 6:22-27 - God's desire is to bless, not torture his children, but blessing comes with right living & thinking
- \* Chap. 7 - Commit the best of what you have to the Lord, first fruit... God blesses lavishly, why wouldn't we?
- \* 8:1-4 - Like the lamp stand in the Tabernacle, we are the light of the world... Revelation church = lamp stand

# NOTES: Review

- \* It's about being filled with the oil of the Holy Spirit...our lamps need to be tended and wicks trimmed!

“1 Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship. 2 Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.”

*Romans 12:1-2 | NIV84*

# NOTES: 8:5-26

- \* v.10 - Israelites to lay hands =  
Commissioned & installed, by the body
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**“22 Do not be hasty in the laying on of hands, and do not share in the sins of others. Keep yourself pure.”**

*1 Timothy 5:22 | NIV84*

**“2 While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, “Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them.” 3 So after they had fasted and prayed, they placed their hands on them and sent them off.**

**Acts 13:1-3 | NIV84”**

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  - ...(v.11) are they ready to do the work of the Lord...full of the Holy Spirit & wisdom(Acts 7)?
  - John 13 - not a great Orator or Leader(Lord), but a humble servant who love God & others like Christ!

# NOTES: 8:5-26

- \* v.16 - Given wholly to me...
- \* In place of the first born - are you the "first reborn" of your family?
  - You may be the only one in your family...God may be calling you to be the game changer or cycle breaker?
- \* v.19 - Levites given to Aaron for the work of the ministry = you to Calvary

# Picture of Christ - John 17:6-26

You have been given to Christ to be committed to him for the work of the ministry, for God's Glory, to be the light within this dark world, to be an example of what life in the Kingdom of God looks like(ambassadors), living in forgiveness and grace. Not pulled out of the world, but sojourners in this world headed toward what God has promised!

# NOTES: 8:5-26

- \* Jesus was praying for us then & is still interceding for us now!
- \* We are here for such a time as this!
- \* Moms, you were given those kids for a reason...for those that are unable, God has a special purpose for you!
- \* Young people you were born in this generation for a purpose...not to be victims of the world, but ambassadors!

**“9 But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. 10 Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.”**

*1 Peter 2:9-10 | NIV84*

# NOTES: 9:1-14

- \* Celebrated the passover as a constant reminder of what God did in Egypt
  - It's when we forget about the Lord's goodness we get complacent & drift
- \* Picture for us of communion
  - 1 Cor. 11:17-34 - proclaim the Lord's death until he comes
  - What about Easter?

# NOTES: 9:1-14

- \* Note the Lord's grace with those who are unclean...could celebrate 1 month later
  - Heart of the Lord is that no one would miss out
  - Jesus offering Judas communion that last night is baffling

# NOTES: 9:15-23

- \* Wouldn't it be nice to have a cloud by day and fire by night?
- \* Note the time frames
- \* v.19-20 - Long time...they waited!
- \* James 4:13-17
- \* Picture = Life of moving, listening too and obeying the Holy Spirit

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- 6. Commitment to walk according to the Spirit**

# Walking by the Spirit

## 1. Fire at Night = Matt. 3:11-12

- Worship, Fasting, Prayer (Seeking God's will)
- The Word = hearing from God
- Counsel of other believers

2. Cloud by Day = means wait until it's clear...can't just go with feelings

# Walking by the Spirit

**3. Means Obedience (Keep in step) - Gal.  
5:16-25**

- Living in righteousness & truth = in the light, not in the dark
- Rom. 12:1-2 - present your bodies
- Contentedness & thankfulness

**4. Requires Faith**

“5 Now it is God who has made us for this very purpose and has given us the Spirit as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come. 6 Therefore we are always confident and know that as long as we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord. 7 We live by faith, not by sight.”

*2 Corinthians 5:5-7 | NIV84*