Departures of The Children of Yisra'el, The Borders, Inheritance Laws, & Laws For Murderers

Numbers 33:38 - Deuteronomy 1:46

Reading Questions

1. How is land inherited?
2. How many cities are given to the Lewites?
3. What must happen before someone who killed another dies?
4. How many cities of the Lewites are cities of refuge?
5. What are the purposes of the cities of refuge?
6. Who puts the murderer to death and when?
7. What profanes the land?
8. How is land pardoned for blood shed on it?
9. Why does יהוה say not to defile the land in which they dwell?
10. If daughters inherit land in Yisra'el due to having no brothers, what restrictions are placed upon them?
11. How long after Aharon's death did Mosheh speak the words in Deuteronomy?
12. What is the Hebrew name for the book of Deuteronomy and what does it mean?
13. What laws were given to judges?
14. Who does the right-ruling (judgment) belong to?
15. Who is similar to Adam and Chawwah as they were in the Garden of Eden?

Reading Answers

1. The larger tribes get larger, the smaller get smaller, and it is according to the tribes of the Fathers (Numbers 33:54).

2. 48 (Numbers 35:7)

3. They must stand before the congregation in right-ruling (KJV – Judgment) (Numbers 35:12).

4. 6 (Numbers 35:13), 3 beyond the Yarden and 3 in the land of Kena'an (Numbers 35:14)

5. They are for the children of Yisra'el, and for the sojourner, and for the settler in their midst, for anyone who accidentally kills someone to flee there (Numbers 35:15).

6. Before someone is put to death, they must stand before the congregation in right-ruling (Numbers 35:12). From Numbers 35:20-30 there are guidelines pointing out

that there must be at least two witnesses for someone to be put to death and the intention of the person seems to be important as well. It appears from those verses that if it was pre-meditated or on purpose then the person gets the death penalty, but if it was an accident they are to remain in the city of refuge until the death of the high priest and live. However, it does state that in Numbers 35:19 the revenger of blood himself puts the murderer to death when he meets him. In saying "when he meets him", this most likely means "meets him in court" or "meets him before the congregation in right-ruling". It does not mean he could just go and kill him without a proper trial first. We learn also from Numbers 35:26-28 that the revenger of blood is not guilty if the one who killed someone was found outside his city of refuge. Related verses in Deuteronomy 19, specifically verses 11-12, show the elders are the ones who give the murderer into the hand of the revenger of blood. This confirms the need to stand before the congregation in right-ruling first.

7. Blood (Numbers 35:33)

8. By the blood of him who shed it (Numbers 35:33).

9. Because יהוה dwells in the midst of the children of Yisra'el (Numbers 35:34)

10. They must marry within their Father's tribe (Numbers 36:6-9)

11. In the 40th year after the children of Yisra'el had come out of the land of Mitsrayim, on the 1st day of the 5th month, when Aharon was 123 years old, he died (Numbers 33:38-39). Mosheh spoke in the 40th year, in the 11th month, on the 1st day of the month (Deuteronomy 1:3) – this is exactly 6 months later.

12. Devariym (דְּבָרִים) – Refer to Strong's # H1697 – Devariym means "Words"

13. Judge righteously, do not show partiality, hear the small and the great, and do not be afraid of anyone's face (Deuteronomy 1:16-17).

14. Elohiym (Deuteronomy 1:17).

15. The little ones and children who have no knowledge of good or evil (Deuteronomy 1:39)

Reading Notes

- No additional notes yet.

Related Verses

Daughters of Tselophchad: Numbers 26:33, 27:1-11
Smiting Sichon & Og: Numbers 21:21-35
Leaving Chorev: Numbers 10

Mosheh Unable To Bear Them & Appoints Rulers: Exodus 18:13-26, Numbers 11:14
Commands Related To Judgment: Exodus 23:2-3, 6-8, Leviticus 19:15
Evil Report of The Land & Grumbling: Numbers 13:28-14:10
יהוה's Oath: Numbers 14:20-23
Mosheh Will Not Enter The Land: Numbers 20:7-12
Amorites Chased Them As Bees Do: Numbers 13:29, 14:25, 40-45
Laws For Cities of Refuge & Revenger of Blood: Deuteronomy 19
The Cities of Refuge: Joshua 20:7-9, 1 Chronicles 6:57-59