

**CHARITY MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH BIBLE STUDY**  
**WEDNESDAY, MAY 7, 2025**

**ANSWERS**

Preparing a People for the Journey  
The Study of Numbers Chapter 1 through Chapter 18

## **Multiple Choice**

**1. Why did God command a census of the Israelites in Chapter 1?**

- A. To collect taxes
- B. To prepare for battle
- C. To assign land inheritance
- D. To determine food rations

**Answer:** B. To prepare for battle (Numbers 1:2–3)

**2. Which Levite clan was responsible for carrying the most holy items of the Tabernacle in Chapter 4?**

- A. Merarites
- B. Gershonites
- C. Kohathites
- D. Benjaminites

**Answer:** C. Kohathites (Numbers 4:4–15)

**3. What happened to Miriam after she and Aaron criticized Moses in Chapter 12?**

- A. She was swallowed by the earth
- B. She was sent to live outside the camp
- C. She was struck with leprosy
- D. She died immediately

**Answer:** C. She was struck with leprosy (Numbers 12:10)

**4. What was significant about the offerings from the tribal leaders in Chapter 7?**

- A. They were identical offerings
- B. They were offered by the priests
- C. They were given at Mount Sinai
- D. They were burnt on the bronze altar

**Answer:** A. They were identical offerings (Numbers 7)

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**5. What signaled the Israelites to break camp and move forward in Chapter 10?**

- A. The rising of the sun
- B. A loud shout from Moses
- C. The blowing of silver trumpets
- D. The sound of cymbals

**Answer:** C. The blowing of silver trumpets (Numbers 10:1–6)

**6. What happened to Korah, Dathan, and Abiram when they rebelled against Moses and Aaron?**

- A. They were forgiven
- B. They became priests
- C. The earth swallowed them alive
- D. They were exiled

**Answer:** C. The earth swallowed them alive (Numbers 16:24–33)

**Short Answer**

**7. Which tribe was not counted in the census and why (Chapter 1)?**

**Answer:** The tribe of Levi was not counted because they were set apart to care for the Tabernacle. (Numbers 1:47–53)

**8. What was the Nazirite vow, and what did it include in Chapter 6?**

**Answer:** A voluntary vow of separation to the Lord, including abstaining from wine, not cutting hair, and avoiding contact with the dead. (Numbers 6:1–21)

**9. What was the report of the 10 spies who discouraged the people from entering Canaan? (Chapter 13)**

**Answer:** They said the land was good but the inhabitants were giants, making them feel like grasshoppers. (Numbers 13:28–33)

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**10. What were people required to do if they wronged someone and wanted to make restitution? (Chapter 5)**

**Answer:** They had to confess the sin, repay the full amount plus one-fifth, and make atonement. (Numbers 5:6–8)

**11. What instructions were given concerning offerings once the people settled in the land? (Chapter 15)**

**Answer:** They were to present regular food and drink offerings as a pleasing aroma to the Lord. (Numbers 15:1–16)

## **True or False**

**12. The Israelites camped in a circle around the Tabernacle, with the Levites closest to it (Chapter 2).**

**Answer:** True (Numbers 2)

**13. Aaron was the only person allowed to enter the Most Holy Place at any time (Chapter 18).**

**Answer:** False (Numbers 18:7)

**14. The Levites were given to Aaron and his sons as helpers in performing duties of the tabernacle (Chapter 3).**

**Answer:** True (Numbers 3:9)

**15. The Levites were consecrated by being sprinkled with water, shaving their bodies, and presenting a grain offering (Chapter 8).**

**Answer:** True (Numbers 8:6–11)

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## **Critical Thinking**

**16. Why do you think the cloud by day and fire by night was such an important symbol of God's presence for the Israelites (Chapter 9)?**

**Answer:** It reminded them that God was continually with them and guiding them. It built their trust and obedience, and it showed His power and protection over their journey (Chapter 9:15-23).

**17. In Numbers 14, the people wanted to return to Egypt. What does this reveal about human nature when facing fear or difficulty?**

**Answer:** It shows that people often prefer familiar suffering over uncertain freedom, and that fear can lead to rebellion even after witnessing God's power.

**18. In Numbers 11, the people craved meat and rejected manna. What does this show about contentment and trust in God?**

**Answer:** It reveals how easily people can become dissatisfied, even when their needs are met, and how longing for past comforts can lead to spiritual discontent and judgment.