

“The Pentateuch”
Numbers 19-20
Wednesday January 5, 2011

- 1. Numbers 1:1-10:10 – Order and Organization**
- 2. Numbers 10:11-22:1 – Testings and Failures**

Numbers 15-17 – God Reaffirms His Authority in His Word and in His Leaders:

Numbers 18 – The Provisions for the Priests and Levites:

The Priests – received the offerings made to the Lord – they were regarded as holy

The Levites – received the tithes of the people

Numbers 19:1-22 – A Pure People

Numbers 20:1-29 – Old And New

Numbers 19:1-22 – A Pure People:

Ceremonial lessons about sin, and the wages of sin

Numbers 19:1-10 – The Purification Sacrifice: Numbers 19:1-2

“red heifer” – The red color may point to the blood being shed

Gen. 2:7 – The name “Adam” comes from the Hebrew word which means “red earth.”

“heifer” – is a cow that has not yet born a calf; A cow, not a bull, is the victim

Numbers 19:3-6

cedar wood and hyssop and scarlet material, all of which were used in the cleansing ceremony for a healed leper Lev. 14:4, 6, 49, 51-52;

Numbers 19:7-10

Notice that all involved in this process became unclean!

Numbers 19:11-22 – The Cleansing Procedure: Numbers 19:11-16

Matt 23:27-28

Numbers 19:17-22

Jesus is the Heifer – He was perfect, without defect or blemish, never being under the bondage/yoke of sin.

Heb 9:13-14

2 Cor 5:21

1 Peter 2:22

1 John 3:5

Jesus Alone Is The One Who Brings Forth Life: John 10:10

John 11:25-26

The procedure of the sacrifice foreshadowed Jesus' death: Jesus was killed outside of the city of Jerusalem.

Heb 13:12-13

The 3 added elements also foreshadowed His death:

1. The cedar wood – is a picture of the cross, (cedar speaks of healing)
2. The hyssop – was the applicator for the blood – Passover & sprinkling on the Mercy seat, purification.
3. Scarlet – the emblem of sin Isa 1:18; Sin as scarlet

Jesus Himself, by His sacrifice, cleansed and purified us from our sin: Heb 9:12-15

We should cleanse ourselves: 2 Cor 7:1

God promises forgiveness and cleansing to His children if they turn from their sins and confess them to the Lord: 1 John 1:9

Numbers 20:1-29 – Old And New:

Num 20:1

As we move to Numbers 20, we move ahead 38 years! The entire record of Israel's wanderings is covered in Numbers 14-19

Numbers 33:38

When Moses died at the end of the fortieth year, Deut. 1:3

Numbers 33

Ps 32:8

Prov 3:5-6

“and the people stayed at Kadesh.” – Notice they are back in Kadesh. This is the place from where the spies went into Canaan and then returned and refused to enter.

They have come full circle! The only thing they accomplished was to waste time!

Rom 13:11-14

Eph 5:15-17

Num 12

Numbers 12 to Numbers 20:1, some 38 years, there is no other mention of her.

1 Cor 9:27

Numbers 20:2-6 – History Repeats Itself:

Numbers 20:7-11 – Moses Failure:

Numbers 20:12-13 – Moses Disqualified:

Important Old Testament type is involved, for the Law (Moses) cannot give us our inheritance Gal. 3:18

Joshua is a type of Jesus Christ the conqueror, and only he could lead the people into their promised inheritance Heb. 4:1-11

Deut. 3:23-29

Numbers 20:14-21 – Edom’s Refusal:

Jacob and Esau had met and settled their differences years before Gen. 32–33

Numbers 20:22-29 – The Death Of Aaron: Numbers 20:22-28

Numbers 33:38-39 – Jesus never dies, Heb 7:24, 25

Numbers 20:29

Application:

1. Sin separates us from God and others. Jesus took God's wrath for our sins; He was separated so we could be reconciled to Him:
2. Disobedience to God and trusting in oneself will result in wandering in the wilderness: (Wasted Time)
3. Regardless of how great the temptation from others may be (Like Israel), we (Like Moses) are responsible for our own actions:
4. Like Aaron and Moses, all of us are replaceable: