

**"The Pentateuch"**  
**Numbers 30-32**  
**Wednesday April 6, 2011**

**Numbers 22:2-36:13** – Repair and Reorganization:

**Numbers 26** – The 2nd Census of Israel:

**Numbers 27** – Inheritance laws; Moses' Successor:

**Numbers 28-29** – Worship:

**Numbers 30 – The Making of Vows**

**Numbers 31 – God's Judgment on Midian**

**Numbers 32 – The Wrong Side of The Jordan**

**Numbers 30 – The Making of Vows:**

Numbers 30:1-2 – Men's Vows:

Vow - was a promise to dedicate something to God or to do something for God. A vow involved an obligation to do: a bond, an obligation, to forbear doing.

Oath - was a promise to exclude oneself from a privilege or enjoyment.

Deuteronomy 23:21-23

Proverbs 20:25

Ecclesiastes 5:2

Ecclesiastes 5:4-6

There is no requirement to take vows or oaths:

Matthew 5:33-37

Numbers 30:3-16 – Women's Vows:

Numbers 30:3-8 – Unmarried Daughter: Num 30:3-5

As Husbands/Fathers, we are to be involved with the affairs of the family

Num 30:6-8

Numbers 30:9 – A Divorcee or Widow:

Numbers 30:10-16 – A Married Woman:

### **Numbers 31 – God’s Judgment on Midian:**

Numbers 31:1-11 – The Battle: Numbers 31:1-2

Numbers 25:16-17

Nahum 1:2-3

Gen 12:3

Psalm 94:1-2

Romans 12:19

Num 31:3-6

Joshua lead the men militarily. Phinehas was to lead them spiritually!

Num 31:7-11

No sin goes unpunished – including ours

Numbers 31:12-18 – Moses’ Anger:

Numbers 31:19-24 – Purification: Num 31:19

Numbers 19

Num 31:20-24

Numbers 31:25-31 – The Division of The Spoils:

Verses 32-47 – The Spoils In Numbers: Sheep, cattle, donkeys, humans, man’s portions and the Lord portions.

Num 31:47

Numbers 31:48-54 – A Freewill Offering: Num 31:48-52

That is about 7,780 ounces gold. @ \$1459.90 per ounce. That is over 11 M.

Num 31:53-54

## **Numbers 32 – The Wrong Side of The Jordan:**

Numbers 32: 1-5 – Request To Settle Down: Numbers 32: 1-5

(Reuben, Gad and ½ of Manasseh) wanted to make their home on the Eastern side of the Jordan River – outside of the land of promise

Numbers 32: 6-15 – Moses Response:

Moses reminds (Reuben, Gad and ½ of Manasseh) what happened in Numbers 14 when the 10 spies convinced the people they could not go into the land. They were about to do it again.

Numbers 32: 16-32 – Their Response And Oath:

Verses 34-42 – & Names of Locations:

### **Application:**

1. Was it Sin To Not Settle In The Promised Land? NO. Nowhere do we read that what Gad, Reuben, and the half-tribe Manasseh requested was a sin against God
2. The Promised Land is Not Heaven, but a Picture of the Victorious Christian life: (Don't earn it)
3. The Offer to Enter into The Promised Land is Available, but God Doesn't Force People
4. The 2 ½ Tribes Were Still Part of Israel, But They Were Not Enjoying the Full Benefits of What God Had to Offer Them