## **Numbers 10:1-36 Two Silver Trumpets and the Cloud Moves**

The Exodus presented some major logistical challenges for Israel. Moving hundreds of thousands of people in an orderly fashion through a vast wilderness surrounded by many dangers, at a moment's notice, required supernatural skill and leadership.

YeHoVaH gave specific Instructions to Moses that when the Cloud moved, the people had to be watchful and ready to move. This caused the Children of Israel to be fully dependent on YeHoVaH as He led, guided, protected, and provided for them on their way to the Promised Land.

Nu 10:1 And YeHoVaH spake unto Moses, saying,

**YeHoVaH** was the supernatural mind behind the logistics operation.

Nu 10:2 Make thee two trumpets of silver; of a whole piece shalt thou make them: that thou mayest use them for the calling of the assembly, and for the journeying of the camps.

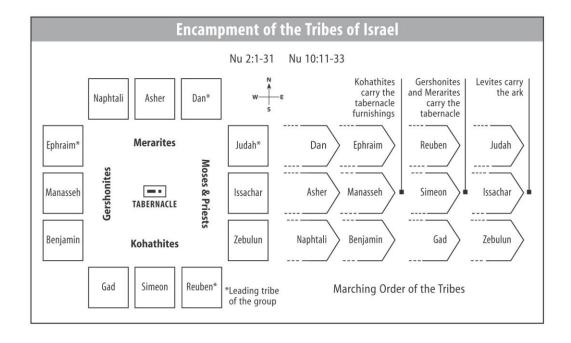
- · Calling of the Assembly and for the
- Journeying of the Camps

Two Trumpets = Assemble at the door of the Tabernacle of the Congregation.

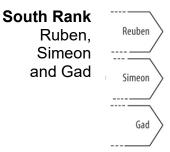
One Trumpet = Princes, *which are* heads of the thousands of Israel, shall gather themselves unto thee.

 $^{\text{Nu }10:3}$  And when they shall <u>blow with them</u>, all the assembly shall assemble themselves to thee at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

Nu 10:4 And if they <u>blow but with one trumpet</u>, then the princes, which are heads of the thousands of Israel, shall gather themselves unto thee.



Nu 10:5 When ye blow an alarm, then the camps that lie on the east parts shall go forward.



Nu 10:6 When ye blow an alarm the second time, then the camps that lie on the south side shall take their journey: they shall blow an alarm for their journeys.



<sup>Nu 10:7</sup> But when the congregation is to be gathered together, ye shall blow, but ye shall not sound an alarm.

<sup>Nu 10:8</sup> And the sons of Aaron, the priests, shall blow with the trumpets; and they shall be to you for an ordinance for ever throughout your generations.

The sons of Aaron blew the Trumpets.

Throughout the generations of Israel, only the sons of Aaron, the Priests, were allowed to blow the Silver Trumpets; NOT the Levites.

For War, blow an alarm with the Trumpets.

<sup>Nu 10:9</sup> And if ye go to war in your land against the enemy that oppresseth you, then ye shall blow an alarm with the trumpets; and ye shall be remembered before YeHoVaH your God, and ye shall be saved from your enemies.

Blow an alarm with the Trumpets:

- In your Solemn Days
- In the beginning of your Months
- Over your Burnt Offerings
- Over the Sacrifices of your Peace Offerings

Nu 10:10 Also in blow an alarm with the trumpets, and in your solemn days, and in the beginnings of your months, ye shall blow with the trumpets over your burnt offerings, and over the sacrifices of your peace offerings; that they may be to you for a memorial before your God: I am YeHoVaH your God.

On the Sixth day after Passover, the Cloud moved.

Nu 10:11 And it came to pass on the <u>twentieth day of the second month</u>, in the second year, that the cloud was taken up from off the tabernacle of the testimony.

<sup>Nu 10:12</sup> And the children of Israel took their journeys out of the wilderness of Sinai; and the cloud rested in the wilderness of Paran.

<sup>Nu</sup> 10:13 And they first took their journey according to the commandment of YeHoVaH by the hand of Moses.

Nu 10:14 In the first *place* went the standard of the camp of the children of Judah according to their armies; and over his host *was* Nahshon the son of Amminadab.

Christian Theology or Christian Kabbalah or Mysticism:

- Send Judah first
- Judah means praise
- Interpreted: When in spiritual warfare, praise goes first.
- When the praise goes up, the blessings come down.

When naming Judah, his mom said, "Now will I praise ..."

Genesis 29:35 (KJV) And she conceived again, and bare a son: and she said, Now will I praise YeHoVaH: therefore she called his name Judah; and left bearing.

Praise in this passage is Yada not Judah.

Praise - 03034 יַדָה yadah {yaw-daw'}

**Meaning:** 1) to throw, shoot, cast 1a) (Qal) to shoot (arrows) 1b) (Piel) to cast, cast down, throw down 1c) (Hiphil) 1c1) to give thanks,, laud, praise 1c2) to confess, confess (the name of God) 1d) (Hithpael) 1d1) to confess (sin) 1d2) to give thanks

**Usage:** AV - praise 53, give thanks 32, confess 16, thank 5, make confession 2, thanksgiving 2, cast 1, cast out 1, shoot 1, thankful 1; 114

Judah means **praised** not praise. Judah will be **praised** by his brethren.

Genesis 49:8 (KJV) Judah, thou [art he] whom thy brethren shall praise: thy hand [shall be] in the neck of thine enemies; thy father's children shall bow down before thee.

The only time Judah was instructed to go first in battle was against the Tribe of Benjamin.

Judges 20:18 (KJV)

And the children of Israel arose, and went up to the house of God, and asked counsel of God, and said, Which of us shall go up first to the battle against the children of Benjamin? And YeHoVaH said, Judah [shall go up] first.

Although his name means **praised**, not once in Torah is Judah used for praise.

- Judah is misused in Churches for praise.
- Praise and worship
- Praise is a fast song; Worship is a slow song.
- Lift your hands and worship Him.
- Hallelujah is the highest praise.

We have been taught many things in Churches that have led us to approach YeHoVaH in ways He has not ordained while ignoring and violating His Commandments.

Nu 10:15 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Issachar was Nethaneel the son of Zuar.

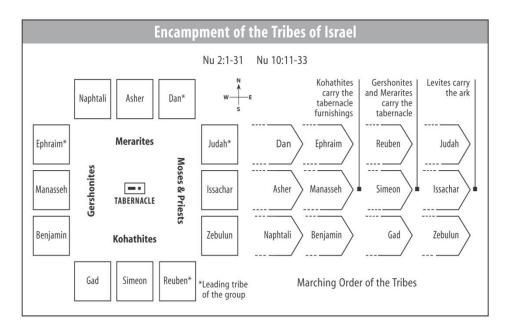
Nu 10:16 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Zebulun was Eliab the son of Helon.

 $^{\text{Nu }10:17}$  And the tabernacle was taken down; and the sons of Gershon and the sons of Merari set forward, bearing the tabernacle.

Nu 10:18 And the standard of the camp of Reuben set forward according to their armies: and over his host *was* Elizur the son of Shedeur.

Nu 10:19 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Simeon *was* Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai.

Nu 10:20 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Gad was Eliasaph the son of Deuel.



 $^{\text{Nu }10:21}$  And the Kohathites set forward, bearing the sanctuary: and <u>the other</u> did set up the tabernacle against they came.

## The Other

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The Other, in italics, gives us a clue of something, but what?

Nu 10:22 And the standard of the camp of the children of Ephraim set forward according to their armies: and over his host *was* Elishama the son of Ammihud.

Nu 10:23 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Manasseh *was* Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur.

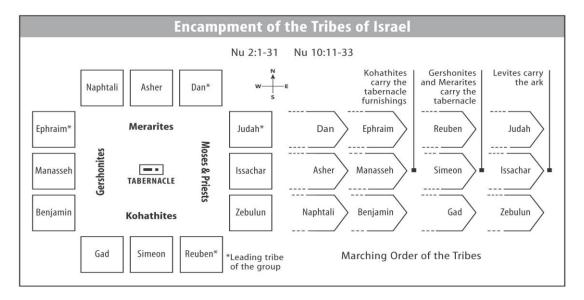
Nu 10:24 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Benjamin *was* Abidan the son of Gideoni.

Nu 10:25 And the standard of the camp of the children of Dan set forward, *which was* the rearward of all the camps throughout their hosts: and over his host *was* Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.

Nu 10:26 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Asher was Pagiel the son of Ocran.

Nu 10:27 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Naphtali *was* Ahira the son of Enan. Nu 10:28 Thus *were* the journeyings of the children of Israel according to their armies, when they set forward.

## What is **missing** in this order?



- 1. Where were the Priests positioned during the moving of the Camp?
- 2. Where was Moses positioned during the moving of the Camp?
- 3. How many Priests were there at the time?
- 4. It is clear that Nadab and Abihu had no children.

<sup>Nu 3:4</sup> And Nadab and Abihu died before YeHoVaH, when they offered strange fire before YeHoVaH, in the wilderness of Sinai, and they had no children: and Eleazar and Ithamar ministered in the priest's office in the sight of Aaron their father.

How many children did Eleazar and Ithamar have? Did they have children?

The possibility existed that they could have had children.

To conclude that Eleazar and Ithamar had no children would be as much an assumption as it would be to conclude that they did.

Nu 10:29 And Moses said unto <u>Hobab, the son of Raguel the **Midianite**, **Moses' father-in-law**, We are journeying unto the place of which YeHoVaH said, I will give it you: <u>come thou with us</u>, and we will do thee good: for YeHoVaH hath spoken good concerning Israel.</u>

Hobab – **02246** הָב Chobab {kho-bawb'}

**Meaning:** Hobab = "cherished" 1) the son of Reuel, the Midianite father-in-law of Moses, also known as Jethro, and brother-in-law of Moses

Usage: AV - Hobab 2; 2

Raguel – **07467** רְעוּאֵל Re`uw'el {reh-oo-ale'}

**Meaning:** Reuel or Raguel = "friend of God" 1) a son of Esau by his wife Bashemath, the sister of Ishmael 2) the father-in-law of Moses 2a) also 'Jethro' 3) father of Eliasaph, the leader of the tribe of Gad at the time of the census at Sinai 4) a Benjamite, ancestor of Elah

Usage: AV - Reuel 10, Raguel 1; 11

Jethro was the Priest of Midian.

Ex 3:1 Now Moses kept the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, **the priest of Midian**: and he led the flock to the backside of the desert, and came to the mountain of God, *even* to Horeb. Jethro offered a Sacrifice to YeHoVaH.

<sup>Ex 18:10</sup> And Jethro said, Blessed *be* YeHoVaH, who hath delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of Pharaoh, who hath delivered the people from under the hand of the Egyptians.

Ex 18:11 Now I know that YeHoVaH *is* greater than all gods: for in the thing wherein they dealt proudly *he was* above them.

Ex 18:12 And Jethro, Moses' father-in-law, took a burnt offering and sacrifices for God: and Aaron came, and all the elders of Israel, to eat bread with Moses' father-in-law before God.

Nu 10:30 And he said unto him, <u>I will not go</u>; <u>but I will depart to mine own land, and to my kindred.</u>
Nu 10:31 And he (Moses) said, Leave us not, I pray thee; forasmuch as thou knowest how we are to encamp in the wilderness, and thou mayest be to us instead of eyes.

Nu 10:32 And it shall be, <u>if thou go with us, yea, it shall be, that what goodness YeHoVaH shall do</u> unto us, the same will we do unto thee.

It appears that Moses convinced Hobab to go with him.

Nu 10:33 And they departed from the mount of YeHoVaH three days' journey: and the ark of the covenant of YeHoVaH went before them in the three days' journey, to search out a resting place for them.

Who carried the Ark?

Numbers 3:29-32

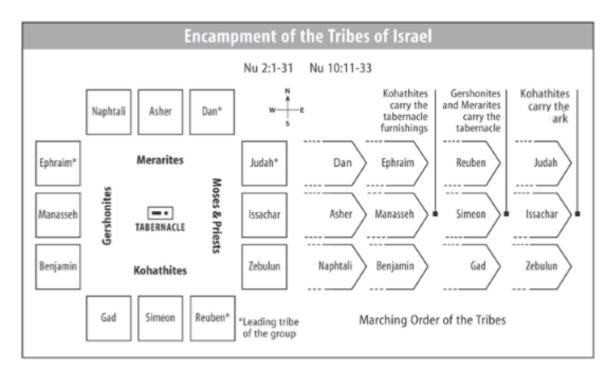
Nu 3:29 The families of the sons of Kohath shall pitch on the side of the tabernacle southward. Nu 3:30 And the chief of the house of the father of the families of the Kohathites *shall be* Elizaphan the son of Uzziel.

Nu 3:31 And <u>their charge shall be the ark</u>, and the table, and the candlestick, and the altars, and the vessels of the sanctuary wherewith they minister, and the hanging, and all the service thereof.

Nu 3:32 And Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest *shall be* chief over the chief of the Levites, *and have* the oversight of them that keep the charge of the sanctuary.

The Kohathites were assigned the work of the Tabernacle under Eleazar.

The Kohathites were charged with carrying the Ark.



Nu 10:34 And the cloud of YeHoVaH *was* upon them by day, when they went out of the camp. Nu 10:35 And it came to pass, when the ark set forward, that Moses said, Rise up, LORD, and let thine enemies be scattered; and let them that hate thee flee before thee.

Nu 10:36 And when it rested, he said, Return, O LORD, unto the many thousands of Israel.