

Text: **Numbers 1**

CENSUS OF THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL ORDERED

1. Ordered by the Lord (Numbers 1:2)
2. When?
 - a) 1st day
 - b) 2nd month
 - c) 2nd year after departing from Egypt (Numbers 1:2)
3. Who?
 - a) Males
 - b) Twenty years and above (Numbers 1:2-4)
 - c) Focus: These were able to defend the nation (“able to go to war”) (Numbers 1:20)
4. Census Committee
 - a) Leaders of the tribes
 - b) Names given (Numbers 1:5-16)
 - c) To ensure full participation and support from all the tribes
5. Records kept
 - a) Reuben
46, 500 (Numbers 1:20-21)
 - b) Simeon
59,300 (Numbers 1:22-23)
 - c) Gad
45,650 (Numbers 1:24-25)
 - d) Judah
74,600 (Numbers 1:26-27)

e) Issachar	
54,400	(Numbers 1:28-29)
f) Zebulun	
57,400	(Numbers 1:30-31)
g) Ephraim	
40,500	(Numbers 1:32-33)
h) Manasseh	
32,200	(Numbers 1:34-35)
i) Benjamin	
35,400	(Numbers 1:36-37)
j) Dan	
62,700	(Numbers 1:38-39)
k) Asher	
41,500	(Numbers 1:40-41)
l) Naphthali	
53,400	(Numbers 1:42-43)
Total:	
603,550	(Numbers 1:44-46)

LEVITES

1. Not numbered	(Numbers 1:47)
2. Special word from the Lord	(Numbers 1:48-49)
3. Their appointment	
a) To look after the Tabernacle of the Testimony	(Numbers 1:50)
b) To look after the furnishings	(Numbers 1:50)
c) They are to attend to the Tabernacle ministry	(Numbers 1:51)

DIVINE ORDER OBEYED

1. The Levites are to pitch their tents around the Tabernacle (Numbers 1:51)
2. All the other tribes are to pitch their tents in their respective places (Numbers 1:52)

THE TRIBES OF ISRAEL

(Numbers 2)

North

Dan
Asher
Naphthali
157,600

South

Reuben
Simeon
Gad
151,450

East

Judah
Issachar
Zebulun
186,400

West

Ephraim
Manasseh
Benjamin
108,100