

Timeline of Truth: The Passover, the Cloud and Trumpets (Numbers 9:1-10:10)

Overview:

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6. The Duties of the Levites (4:1-33)
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9. Law of the Nazirite (6:1-21), How to Bless (6:22-27)
10. The Consecration and Offerings of the Levites (7:1-89)
11. The Lampstand and the Cleansing of the Levites (8:1-26)

<p>Numbers 9:1 Now the LORD spoke to Moses in the Wilderness of Sinai, in the first month of the second year after they had come out of the land of Egypt, saying: ² "Let the children of Israel keep the Passover at its appointed time. ³ "On the fourteenth day of this month, at twilight, you shall keep it at its appointed time. According to all its rites and ceremonies you shall keep it." ⁴ So Moses told the children of Israel that they should keep the Passover. ⁵ And they kept the Passover on the fourteenth day of the first month, at twilight, in the Wilderness of Sinai; according to all that the LORD commanded Moses, so the children of Israel did.</p>	<p>1. The Passover _____.</p>
<p>⁶ Now there were <i>certain</i> men who were defiled by a human corpse, so that they could not keep the Passover on that day; and they came before Moses and Aaron that day. ⁷ And those men said to him, "We <i>became</i> defiled by a human corpse. Why are we kept from presenting the offering of the LORD at its appointed time among the children of Israel?"</p>	<p>2. A Difficult _____</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Men came to Moses who were defiled (unclean) by a human corpse b. This prevented them from participating in the Passover. c. They desired to participate in the Passover.
<p>⁸ And Moses said to them, "Stand still, that I may hear what the LORD will command concerning you." ⁹ Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, ¹⁰ "Speak to the children of Israel, saying: 'If anyone of you or your posterity is unclean because of a corpse, or <i>is</i> far away on a journey, he may still keep the LORD's Passover. ¹¹ 'On the fourteenth day of the second month, at twilight, they may keep it. They shall eat it with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. ¹² 'They shall leave none of it until morning, nor break one of its bones. According to all the ordinances of the Passover they shall keep it.</p>	<p>3. God Gives a _____ to the Problem</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Moses sought out God specifically for this. b. God deals with 2 issues at once: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Those defiled with a human corpse • Those who were away on a long journey c. The solution was to keep the Passover on the next month. d. Notice the ritual of the Passover remains the same.
<p>¹³ 'But the man who <i>is</i> clean and is not on a journey, and ceases to keep the Passover, that same person shall be cut off from among his people, because he did not bring the offering of the LORD at its appointed time; that man shall bear his sin. ¹⁴ 'And if a stranger dwells among you, and would keep the LORD's Passover, he must do so according to the rite of the Passover and according to its ceremony; you shall have one ordinance, both for the stranger and the native of the land.' "</p>	<p>4. God Gives a _____ Concerning this Exception</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. If someone is able to keep the Passover and does not, they would be cut off from among Israel Cut off – (niph.) – or destroyed. b. God calls this sin. c. The stranger must also keep the exact same Passover. d. We are responsible to do what we know we are supposed to do. (James 4:17)
<p>¹⁵ Now on the day that the tabernacle was raised up, the cloud covered the tabernacle, the tent of the Testimony; from evening until morning it was above the tabernacle like the appearance of fire. ¹⁶ So it was always: the cloud covered it <i>by day</i>, and the appearance of fire by night.</p>	<p>5. The Cloud _____ the Tabernacle Covered – Used of God covering sin or waves covering the shore. It appeared as a cloud by day and fire by night</p>
<p>¹⁷ Whenever the cloud was taken up from above the tabernacle, after that the children of Israel would journey; and in the place where the cloud settled, there the children of Israel would pitch</p>	<p>6. The _____ of the Cloud</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. The cloud told then nation of Israel when to move and when to stay camped

<p>their tents. ¹⁸ At the <u>command</u> of the LORD the children of Israel would journey, and at the <u>command</u> of the LORD they would camp; as long as the cloud stayed above the tabernacle they remained encamped. ¹⁹ Even when the cloud continued long, many days above the tabernacle, the children of Israel kept the <u>charge</u> of the LORD and did not journey. ²⁰ So it was, when the cloud was above the tabernacle a few days: according to the <u>command</u> of the LORD they would remain encamped, and according to the <u>command</u> of the LORD they would journey. ²¹ So it was, when the cloud remained only from evening until morning: when the cloud was taken up in the morning, then they would journey; whether by day or by night, whenever the cloud was taken up, they would journey. ²² <i>Whether it was</i> two days, a month, or a year that the cloud remained above the tabernacle, the children of Israel would remain encamped and not journey; but when it was taken up, they would journey. ²³ At the <u>command</u> of the LORD they remained encamped, and at the <u>command</u> of the LORD they journeyed; they kept the <u>charge</u> of the LORD, at the command of the LORD by the hand of Moses.</p>	<p>b. The movement of the cloud was connected with the command of the Lord.</p> <p>c. The Israelites camped or moved no matter what amount of time it took.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If it was to camp overnight, then they moved the next day. • If the cloud stayed put many days, they waited. <p>d. They obeyed God in following the cloud.</p>
<p>Numbers 10:1 And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying: ² "Make two silver trumpets for yourself; you shall make them of hammered work; you shall use them for calling the congregation and for directing the movement of the camps.</p>	<p>Command – וְעַל־פִּי - <i>v'al pe</i> – from the _____</p> <p>Charge - מִשְׁמֶרֶת - <i>moshmert</i> - _____, _____, also charge, function</p>
<p>³ "When they blow both of them, all the congregation shall gather before you at the door of the tabernacle of meeting. ⁴ "But if they blow <i>only</i> one, then the leaders, the heads of the divisions of Israel, shall gather to you. ⁵ "When you sound the advance, the camps that lie on the east side shall then begin their journey. ⁶ "When you sound the advance the second time, then the camps that lie on the south side shall begin their journey; they shall sound the call for them to begin their journeys. ⁷ "And when the assembly is to be gathered together, you shall blow, but not sound the advance.</p>	<p>7. God Commands Israel to Make _____</p> <p>a. The design: made from silver, hammered work</p> <p>b. The purpose: to call and to direct movement</p> <p>8. The “_____” of the Trumpets</p> <p>a. When _____ are blown: The congregation is to gather at the door of the tabernacle</p> <p>b. When _____ is blown: The leaders are to gather at the tabernacle.</p> <p>c. When the _____ is sounded:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The first time: the camps on the east side begin their journey • The second time: the camps on the south side begin the journey • It seems they continue this process until all are journeying. <p>d. When the assembly is gathered together, the advance will not be sounded</p>
<p>⁸ "The sons of Aaron, the priests, shall blow the trumpets; and these shall be to you as an ordinance forever throughout your generations.</p>	<p>9. The Priests are Put in _____ of the Trumpets These commands are given to Israel as an ordinance throughout their generations.</p>
<p>⁹ "When you go to war in your land against the enemy who oppresses you, then you shall sound an alarm with the trumpets, and you will be remembered before the LORD your God, and you will be saved from your enemies. ¹⁰ "Also in the day of your gladness, in your appointed feasts, and at the beginning of your months, you shall blow the trumpets over your burnt offerings and over the sacrifices of your peace offerings; and they shall be a memorial for you before your God: I <i>am</i> the LORD your God."</p>	<p>10. Special _____ to Sound the Trumpets</p> <p>a. When they go to _____</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Against the enemy which oppresses them • God will remember them • God will save them from the enemy <p>b. On “_____” occasions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the days of their gladness • At appointed feasts • At the beginning of months • The trumpets are blown over the offerings • They were a memorial to Israel, reminding them of the LORD.