

Wilderness Wandering: Records of Camps (1444–1408 BC)

Numbers 33:18–35

18 They journeyed from Hazeroth and camped at Rithmah.
 19 They journeyed from Rithmah and camped at Rimmon-perez.
 20 They journeyed from Rimmon-perez and camped at Libnah.
 21 They journeyed from Libnah and camped at Rissah.
 22 They journeyed from Rissah and camped in Kehelathah.
 23 They journeyed from Kehelathah and camped at Mount Shepher.
 24 They journeyed from Mount Shepher and camped at Haradah.
 25 They journeyed from Haradah and camped at Makheloth.
 26 They journeyed from Makheloth and camped at Tahath.
 27 They journeyed from Tahath and camped at Terah.
 28 They journeyed from Terah and camped at Mithkah.
 29 They journeyed from Mithkah and camped at Hashmonah.
 30 They journeyed from Hashmonah and camped at Moseroth.
 31 They journeyed from Moseroth and camped at Bene-jaakan.
 32 They journeyed from Bene-jaakan and camped at Hor-haggidgad.
 33 They journeyed from Hor-haggidgad and camped at Jotbathah.
 34 They journeyed from Jotbathah and camped at Abronah.
 35 They journeyed from Abronah and camped at Ezion-geber.

Return to Kadesh-barnea (1 Nisan [March/April] 1407 BC)

Numbers 20:1a

1a Then the sons of Israel, the whole congregation, came to the wilderness of Zin in the first month; and the people stayed at Kadesh.

Numbers 33:36

36 They journeyed from Ezion-geber and camped in the wilderness of Zin, that is, Kadesh.

The Death of Miriam (c. 1 Nisan [March/April] 1407 BC)

Numbers 20:1b

1b Now Miriam died there and was buried there.

Moses Is Provoked to Sin (c. April–June 1407 BC)

Numbers 20:2–13

2 There was no water for the congregation, and they assembled themselves against Moses and Aaron.
 3 The people thus contended with Moses and spoke, saying, "If only we had perished when our brothers perished before the LORD!
 4 Why then have you brought the LORD's assembly into this wilderness, for us and our beasts to die here?
 5 Why have you made us come up from Egypt, to bring us in to this wretched place? It is not a place of grain or figs or vines or pomegranates, nor is there water to drink."
 6 Then Moses and Aaron came in from the presence of the assembly to the doorway of the tent of meeting and fell on their faces. Then the glory of the LORD appeared to them;
 7 and the LORD spoke to Moses, saying,
 8 "Take the rod; and you and your brother Aaron assemble the congregation and speak to the rock before their eyes, that it may yield its water. You shall thus bring forth water for them out of the rock and let the congregation and their beasts drink."
 9 So Moses took the rod from before the LORD, just as He had commanded him;

10 and Moses and Aaron gathered the assembly before the rock. And he said to them, “Listen now, you rebels; shall we bring forth water for you out of this rock?”

11 Then Moses lifted up his hand and struck the rock twice with his rod; and water came forth abundantly, and the congregation and their beasts drank. [[1 Cor 10:4](#)]

12 But the LORD said to Moses and Aaron, “Because you have not believed Me, to treat Me as holy in the sight of the sons of Israel, therefore you shall not bring this assembly into the land which I have given them.”

13 Those *were* the waters of Meribah, because the sons of Israel contended with the LORD, and He proved Himself holy among them.

Edom Refuses Israel Passage (c. April–June 1407 BC)

Numbers 20:14–21

14 From Kadesh Moses then sent messengers to the king of Edom: “Thus your brother Israel has said, ‘You know all the hardship that has befallen us;

15 that our fathers went down to Egypt, and we stayed in Egypt a long time, and the Egyptians treated us and our fathers badly.

16 But when we cried out to the LORD, He heard our voice and sent an angel and brought us out from Egypt; now behold, we are at Kadesh, a town on the edge of your territory.

17 Please let us pass through your land. We will not pass through field or through vineyard; we will not even drink water from a well. We will go along the king’s highway, not turning to the right or left, until we pass through your territory.’”

18 Edom, however, said to him, “You shall not pass through us, or I will come out with the sword against you.”

19 Again, the sons of Israel said to him, “We will go up by the highway, and if I and my livestock do drink any of your water, then I will pay its price. Let me only pass through on my feet, nothing *else*.”

20 But he said, “You shall not pass through.” And Edom came out against him with a heavy force and with a strong hand.

21 Thus Edom refused to allow Israel to pass through his territory; so Israel turned away from him.

The Death of Aaron (1 Ab [July/August] 1407 BC)

Numbers 20:22–29

22 Now when they set out from Kadesh, the sons of Israel, the whole congregation, came to Mount Hor.

23 Then the LORD spoke to Moses and Aaron at Mount Hor by the border of the land of Edom, saying,

24 “Aaron will be gathered to his people; for he shall not enter the land which I have given to the sons of Israel, because you rebelled against My command at the waters of Meribah.

25 Take Aaron and his son Eleazar and bring them up to Mount Hor;

26 and strip Aaron of his garments and put them on his son Eleazar. So Aaron will be gathered *to his people*, and will die there.”

Numbers 33:37–39

37 They journeyed from Kadesh and camped at Mount Hor, at the edge of the land of Edom.

27 So Moses did just as the LORD had commanded, and they went up to Mount Hor in the sight of all the congregation.

28 After Moses had stripped Aaron of his garments and put them on his son Eleazar, Aaron died there on the mountain top.

Then Moses and Eleazar came down from the mountain.

29 When all the congregation saw that Aaron had died, all the house of Israel wept for Aaron thirty days.

38 Then Aaron the priest went up to Mount Hor at the command of the LORD,

and died there in the fortieth year after the sons of Israel had come from the land of Egypt, on the first *day* in the fifth month.

39 Aaron was one hundred twenty-three years old when he died on Mount Hor.

Wilderness Wandering: Moses' Prayer (c. 1407 BC)

Psalm 90

A Prayer of Moses, the Man of God.

- 1 Lord, You have been our dwelling place in all generations.
- 2 Before the mountains were born
Or You gave birth to the earth and the world,
Even from everlasting to everlasting, You are God.
- 3 You turn man back into dust
And say, "Return, O children of men."
- 4 For a thousand years in Your sight
Are like yesterday when it passes by,
Or *as* a watch in the night.
- 5 You have swept them away like a flood, they fall asleep;
In the morning they are like grass which sprouts anew.
- 6 In the morning it flourishes and sprouts anew;
Toward evening it fades and withers away.
- 7 For we have been consumed by Your anger
And by Your wrath we have been dismayed.
- 8 You have placed our iniquities before You,
Our secret *sins* in the light of Your presence.
- 9 For all our days have declined in Your fury;
We have finished our years like a sigh.
- 10 As for the days of our life, they contain seventy years,
Or if due to strength, eighty years,
Yet their pride is *but* labor and sorrow;
For soon it is gone and we fly away.
- 11 Who understands the power of Your anger
And Your fury, according to the fear that is due You?
- 12 So teach us to number our days,
That we may present to You a heart of wisdom.
- 13 Do return, O LORD; how long *will it be*?
And be sorry for Your servants.

- 14 O satisfy us in the morning with Your lovingkindness,
That we may sing for joy and be glad all our days.
- 15 Make us glad according to the days You have afflicted us,
And the years we have seen evil.
- 16 Let Your work appear to Your servants
And Your majesty to their children.
- 17 Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us;
And confirm for us the work of our hands;
Yes, confirm the work of our hands.

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