

3rd & 4th Grade

Memory work: 12 tribes, tabernacle

Text: Numbers 25-26

Questions Numbers 25

1. Were the Israelites permitted to marry outside of Israel?
2. Were the men of Israel committing sin with the Moabite women? v1
3. How were the Israelites lead away from God by the women? Who did the Israelites begin to worship? Was God angry? v2-3
4. What were the judges of Israel to do as punishment to the men? Were they to do this in daylight or darkness? v4-5
5. What was the name of the Israelite man who brought the Midianite woman to the tabernacle? He was a leader of a family in which tribe? v14
6. What was the name of the woman? Her father, Zur was what among to Moabites? v15
7. Was the Israelite man, Zimri committing a public sin by bringing a Midianite woman in plain sight of the Israelites? v6
8. Who was Phinehas? v7
9. When Zimri and Cozbi went into the tent, who followed? What did he do? v8
10. Why was there a sickness among the people? v18 How many people died from the sickness? v9
11. What agreement did God make with Phinehas? v12 Why was the agreement made? v13

Questions Numbers 26

12. What command did God give Moses and Eleazar? Why? v1-2

13. Fill in the total number of men counted in each tribe:

Reuben \_\_\_\_\_ v7

Simeon \_\_\_\_\_ v14

Gad \_\_\_\_\_ v18

Judah \_\_\_\_\_ v22

Issachar \_\_\_\_\_ v25

Zebulun \_\_\_\_\_ v27

Manasseh \_\_\_\_\_ v34 (Joseph)

Ephraim \_\_\_\_\_ v37 (Joseph)

Benjamin \_\_\_\_\_ v41

Dan \_\_\_\_\_ v43

Asher \_\_\_\_\_ v47

Naphtali \_\_\_\_\_ v50

Total \_\_\_\_\_ (total number of men, 20 years and above)

14. Which tribe was not counted with the Israelites? v62

15. No one Moses counted on the plains of Moab were included in the first counting except two, who were they? v65

The Moabite women invited the Israelite men into their tents to commit sin and worship their god Baal. The Israelite men were eating meat offered to Baal and bowed down to Baal. They also made sacrifices to Baal. The Lord was very angry with them. Did the Lord want the Israelites to marry these ~~Baal~~ <sup>Moabite</sup> women? Numbers 3:16 says, ~~Balaam~~ <sup>Balaam</sup> told ~~Balak~~ <sup>Balak</sup> to send the ~~Moabite~~ <sup>Moabite</sup> women to entice the men of Israel. Because of this a terrible sickness ~~struck~~ <sup>struck</sup> the Israelites.

The Lord told Moses to get all the Israelite leaders together and kill each one who had committed this sin of worshipping Baal. They were also told to do this in open daylight and in the presence of the Lord. Why do you think the Lord wanted it done in open daylight? So Moses gathers the judges and tell them they must kill the ones that have been worshipping Baal. Moses and the Israelites were gathered at the entrance of the meeting tent. Why do you think they were gathered there? (presence of the Lord) The people were weeping and crying. Then a Israelite man named Zimri, he was a leader of a family in the tribe of Simeon, brought a Midianite woman named Cozbi, her father was a chief o of the Midianite family, in plain sight of Moses and all the people to his brothers in his tent. He was daring someone to stop him. He was flaunting his sin. He went into the tent to commit fornication. This was the reason they were weeping and praying at the tabernacle because of the sin of harlotry they were committing. What does this say about this man? This was a public sin, he was committing. Do you think Balaam had now cursed the Israelites? Phinehas, son of Eleazar, (who was Eleazar? Aaron's son), he was also the high priest, went and got his sword. He followed Zimri and Cozbi into the tent and killed them both with his sword.

There was a sickness going through the Israelites because of this sin of harlotry. What happened when Eleazar killed Zimri and Cozbi? It stopped, but how many people had been killed? (24,000) He had also saved the Israelites from the Lord's anger. The Lord was happy with Eleazar. The Lord said he had concern for the people like he had. Eleazar tried to save the Lord's honour among the people. The Lord made a peace agreement with him and all of his descendants and they would always be priests. Does anyone remember what a peace agreement was? It was an expression of gratitude and desire for fellowship. The Lord knew Eleazar would have great concern for the honor of his God. What did God remove from the Israelites? (their sins) What did the Lord tell Moses to do to the Midianites? They are your enemies and you must kill them?

The next chapter speaks of a second counting of the Isarelites. The first counting was taken 38 years before at Mt Siani, after leaving Egypt. The total leaving Egypt was 603,550 and the total entering Canaan was 601,730. Why do you think the number was less? Also, the tribe of Reuben was less this counting then at Mt Siani. At Moab there was 43,730, but at Mt Siani there was 46,500. Why do you think there was less? If you remember, some of Reuben's family followed the men of Korah that turned against the Lord. The earth opened up and swallowed up these people. None of the older generation was alive at this second counting, except two. (Numbers 26:64) Who were they? Caleb

and Joshua. Why do you think these counting were made? Maybe the reason is to make sure the land was divided up equally among the people. To make sure the larger tribes would have more land and the smaller tribes less land.

How was Moses and Aaron to count the people? All men who were 20 years old and older. What were they to serve in? Army of Israel. Where were the Israelites at? Plains of Moab, across from Jericho, near the Jordan River. What was the total number of Israelite men, 20 years old and older? 601,730. What tribe was not included in this number? Levi. Moses and Aarons parents were from this tribe, Amram and Jochebed. They also had a sister named Miriam. Aaron's sons were also mentioned, Nadab, Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar. What happened to Nadab and Abihu? They died, because they offered strange fire to the Lord. The tribe of Levi also didn't inherit any of the land.

#16

Eleazar

111-12



Solution is on page 99

AARON (father)

ATTENDED

CEREMONIES

CLERIC

CONTINUED

DIGNITARY

DUTIES

ELEAZAR

EXALTED

FAMILY

FULFILLED

HERITAGE

HIGH (priest)

HOR

INHERITANCE

MOUNT

OBSERVANCES

PERFORMED

PRIEST

RECLAIMED

RESUMED

RITUAL

ROBES

SERVED

SERVICES

SON

STATUS

SUCCESSOR (of

Aaron)

THIRD (son of Aaron)

TRADITION

TRIBE

VESTMENTS

WORSHIPPED

# Map 3 THE CONQUEST OF CANAAN

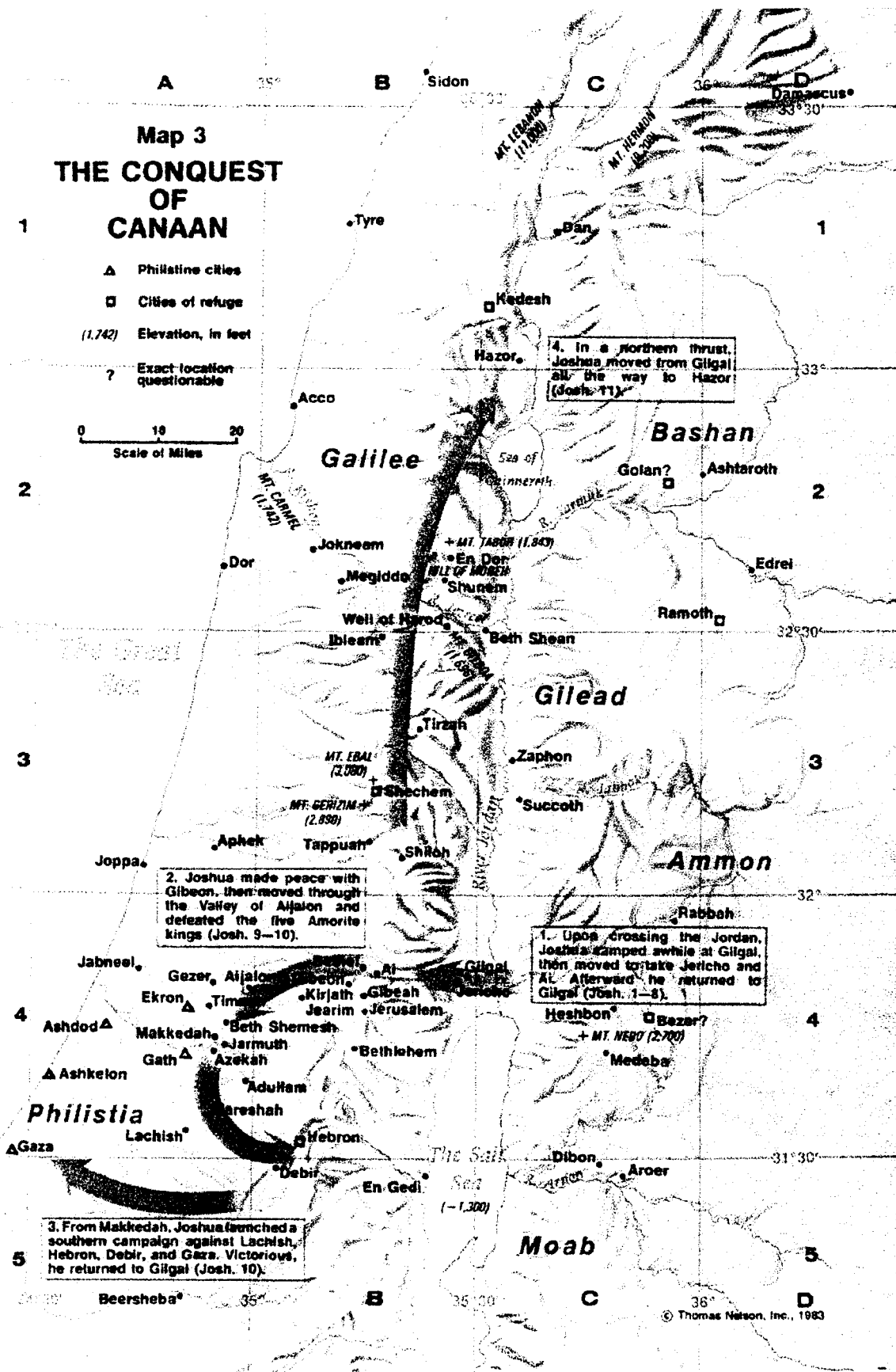
▲ Philistine cities

□ Cities of refuge

(1,742) Elevation, in feet

? Exact location questionable

0 10 20  
Scale of Miles



Class:

Date:

Lesson #: 11-12

Text: Numbers 25-26

Teacher:

Memory Verse: Review all  
memory verses  
(tabernacle, tribes)

## Concept development

Obedience - Having no other gods

## Lesson

Words to define:

They were not to hang outside of Israel

Body: V1 harlotry with women of Moab, bowed down to Baal  
V6-9 public sin <sup>lot of worship carried around tent with gods</sup> committing things not to show greatness to Baal  
Phinehas, son of Eleazar killed two who were  
committing sin.

Balaam has cursed Israel - what he was paid to do

Rev 2nd, Num 31:16 - Balaam did this from counsel of Balaam  
punishment - God sent plague killed 24,000  
public punishment

maybe diseases like have today are punishment of our sins - today  
God always sent plagues as punishment

Activities: Journal - how do you feel about the controlled sin in  
the heart of the country - how bigger fault has

Questions: