

NUMBERS 1-2

# GOD IS CENTRAL



NUMBERS 1:1–3, 54; 2:1–2, 32–34

1 The Lord spoke to Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, in the tent of meeting, on the first day of the second month, in the second year after they had come out of the land of Egypt, saying, 2 “Take a census of all the congregation of the people of Israel, by clans, by fathers' houses, according to the number of names, every male, head by head. 3 From twenty years old and upward, all in Israel who are able to go to war, you and Aaron shall list them, company by company.

1:54 Thus did the people of Israel; they did according to all that the Lord commanded Moses.

2:1 The Lord spoke to Moses and Aaron, saying, 2  
“The people of Israel shall camp each by his own standard, with the banners of their fathers' houses. They shall camp facing the tent of meeting on every side.

32 These are the people of Israel as listed by their fathers' houses. All those listed in the camps by their companies were 603,550. 33 But the Levites were not listed among the people of Israel, as the Lord commanded Moses.

34 Thus did the people of Israel. According to all that the Lord commanded Moses, so they camped by their standards, and so they set out, each one in his clan, according to his fathers' house.





Israel's Camp was arranged to  
show that God is central for His people.



Asher

DAN

Naphtali

Levites  
(Merari)

Benjamin

Issachar

EPHRAIM

Levites  
(Gershon)

Tent of Meeting

Priests

JUDAH

Manasseh

Zebulun

Levites  
(Kohath)

Gad

REUBEN

Simeon

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Israel's camp was arranged  
according to God's declaration about who  
will serve and lead.

Israel's camp was arranged  
to promote God's holiness and protect the  
people from it.

Israel's camp was arranged  
to prepare God's people for battle.



Israel's camp was arranged  
to display God's glory.