Passage: Numbers 9-20

Discovered:

· Passover was to the celebrated 1st month, 14th day - if there were Israelites who were unclean or traveling - they would be able to celebrate Passover one month later.

· God appeared over the tabernacle as a cloud by day and fire by night. If the cloud lifted the Israelites were to set out.

· 2 silver trumpets to be used for summoning congregation & breaking camp. Blow both: summon congregation, blow one: gather the leaders, sound alarm: to head out, also blown for festivals & during battles.

· They left Sinai to Paran-beginning their journey to promised land

· Moses asks Hobab to stay with their using his knowledge, if he stays, the Lord will bless him.

· People began to complain so the Lord consumed by fire some of the camp outskirts

The congregation complained they had only manna no meat. Moses confided with the Lord he was overwhelmed by 600,000 so there were 70 clders appointed to help. They were gifted with the spirit. 2 elders: Eldad & Medad were in camp not the tabernacle & began to prophesize in the camp. Joshua told Moses to stop them, but Moses replied, I wish every one would do that.

The Lord sent quail, so much that they collected at least 6 baskets each. This angered the Lord & He sent a plaque

Killing people before they could eat the quail.

Miriam & Aaron (led by Miriam) spoke against Moses because he was married to a foreign women. The Lord heard & summoned them to the entrance of tent of meeting

· For a prophet, I will speak in visions & dreams but to Moses I SPEAK mouth to mouth (face to face)

clearly e not in riddles.

As punishment, the Lord made Miriam leperous for a week

· Moses Sent 12 men one from each tribe to scout out the land of Canaan

·After 40 days they returned - land of milk & honey but people ave strong & the people rebelled. The Lord threatened to destroy them & build a new nation. Moses pleaded for them & instead none of them from Egypt would enter, wander for 40 years. All the spies but Caleb & Joshua died.

· Some of the Israelites tried to go to Battle but were defeated.

· Lord: one rule/one law for you and any stranger who travels with you.

· Israelites were to tie tassels on the corners of their garments as reminder to obey

· Korah, Dathan & Abriam & 250 others challenged authority of Moses & Aaron. The earth opened up & swallowed them. The 250 were consumed by fire. 14,700 were killed by plague before Aaron stopped it

· A staff from each tribe was placed in the tent. Aaron's staff blossomed overnight showing he had been chosen by God.

· Tithe went to Levites e 101 went to the priest

· Miriam dies

· Moses strikes the rock out of anger to bring forth water at Meribah, as a result could not enter promised land

· Edom refused passage to Israelites through territory · Aaron dies, Eleazar becomes priest. Israel mourns

Help me to remember:

there were heavy consequences for those that lacked faith in the Lord

Lord, I ask that

I have an unwavering faith in you, that I immediately bring any doubts, concerns to you and lay them at your feet instead of grumbling.

Heavenly Father, I am thankful for.

He faith of Joshua & Caleb.

Despite overwhelming evidence they trusted in you to deliver the land of milk & honey