

Korach (Korah)

Numbers 16:1-18:32

This parashah contains the following chiasms (C) and parallels (P):

- Rebellion of Korah (C) – Numbers 16:1-40 (Hebrew text: 16:1-17:3)
- Consequences of Complaining (C) – Numbers 16:41-50 (Hebrew text: 17:4-15)
- Chosen rod blossomed (P) – Numbers 17:1-12 (Hebrew text: 17:16-28)
- YHVH's covenant with Israel (P) – Numbers 18:1-32

Rebellion of Korah				
C	Numbers 16:1-22	Numbers 16:23-40 (H: 16:23-17:3)	Comments	Revelation
A 1-2	<p>Numbers 16:1-3</p> <p>16:1 Now Korah the son of Izhar, the son of Kohath, the son of Levi, with Dathan and Abiram the sons of Eliab, and On the son of Peleth, sons of Reuben, took men; 2 and they rose up before Moses with some of the children of Israel, two hundred and fifty leaders of the congregation (עֲדָה; edah, assembly), representatives of the congregation (מוֹעֵד; moed, assembly for a specific purpose, etc), men of renown. 3 They gathered together against Moses and Aaron, and said to them,</p>	<p>39 So Eleazar the priest took the bronze censers, which those who were burned up had presented, and they were hammered out as a covering on the altar, 40 to be a memorial to the children of Israel that no outsider (אִישׁ זָר; ish zar; strange man), who is not a descendant of Aaron, should come near to offer incense before the Lord, that he might not become like Korah and his companions, just as the Lord had said to him through Moses.</p>	<p>Men involved in this rebellion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Korah (son of Izhar) • Dathan and Abiram (sons of Eliab) • On (son of Peleth) • 250 leaders of the congregation of Israel <p>Korah was a Kohathites, which is the same family line that Moses and Aaron descended from.</p> <p>Korah's position was that the whole congregation of Israel was holy.</p> <p>YHVH's position was that the sons of Aaron were "the holy"</p>	<p>Another rebellion, described in Revelation 12, has been in play for a long time.</p> <p>A great, fiery red dragon and 1/3 of the stars of heaven have come against the Child (Yeshua) of a woman (Israel, but specifically Miriam [Mary]).</p> <p>Yeshua is to rule all nations with a rod of iron (Yeshua HaMashiach). The Child has been caught up to God, the woman (Israel) fled into the wilderness.</p>

	<p>"You take too much upon yourselves, for all the congregation is holy, every one of them, and the Lord is among them. Why then do you exalt yourselves above the assembly of the Lord?"</p>		<p>from the whole congregation of Israel.</p>	
B 1-2	<p>Numbers 16:4-11</p> <p>4 So when Moses heard it, he fell on his face; 5 and he spoke to Korah and all his company, saying, "Tomorrow morning the Lord will show who is His and who is holy (הַקֹּדֶשׁ ; ha-kodesh), and will cause him to come near to Him. That one whom He chooses He will cause to come near to Him.</p> <p>6 Do this: Take censers, Korah and all your company; 7 put fire in them and put incense in them before the Lord tomorrow, and it shall be that the man whom the Lord chooses is the holy one. You take too much upon yourselves, you sons of Levi!"</p> <p>8 Then Moses said to Korah, "Hear now, you sons of Levi:</p>	<p>Numbers 16:36-39 (H: 17:4-5)</p> <p>36 Then the Lord spoke to Moses, saying: 37 "Tell Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, to pick up the censers out of the blaze, for they are holy, and scatter the fire some distance away.</p> <p>38 The censers of these men who sinned against their own souls, let them be made into hammered plates as a covering for the altar. Because they presented them before the Lord, therefore they are holy; and they shall be a sign to the children of Israel."</p>	<p>The Levites, including the Kohathites, were more set apart than the rest of the congregation of Israel, but less than that of Aaron and his sons.</p> <p>The censers are holy because they were presented before YHWH.</p> <p>Since they sought the priesthood, the test involved one of the activities of the priesthood—offering incense.</p> <p>You would think they would have been afraid because of what happened with Nadab and Abihu (Numbers 3:4).</p> <p>Note that Moses accuses them of the same thing they accuse him of.</p>	<p>There are 2 kinds of people in this world, those who have been set apart (holy) and those who are not.</p> <p>Those who are holy have to be content with the way YHWH has imparted the gifts of the Ruach HaKodesh (Holy Spirit) and allow each other to use their gifts appropriately.</p> <p>We are a holy nation of priests, yet not all of us are leaders. There is only one that we should desire more than the others, and that is to be able to prophesy for the edification of the body (See 1 Corinthians 12:4-14:39).</p> <p>Remain humble and allow God to naturally exalt you to the position He desires for you in His time.</p>

	<p>9 Is it a small thing to you that the God of Israel has separated you from the congregation of Israel, to bring you near to Himself, to do the work of the tabernacle of the Lord, and to stand before the congregation to serve them;</p> <p>10 and that He has brought you near to Himself, you and all your brethren, the sons of Levi, with you? And are you seeking the priesthood also?</p> <p>11 Therefore you and all your company are gathered together against the Lord. And what is Aaron that you complain against him?"</p>			
C 1-2	<p>Numbers 16:12-14</p> <p>12 And Moses sent to call Dathan and Abiram the sons of Eliab, but they said, "We will not come up! 13 Is it a small thing that you have brought us up out of a land flowing with milk and honey, to kill us in the wilderness, that you should keep acting like a prince over us?</p> <p>14 Moreover you have not brought us into a land</p>	<p>Numbers 16:31-35</p> <p>31 Now it came to pass, as he finished speaking all these words, that the ground split apart under them, 32 and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed them up, with their households and all the men with Korah, with all their goods. 33 So they and all those with them went down alive into the pit; the earth closed over them, and they perished from among the assembly. 34</p>	<p>When Moses was living in Pharaoh's house, he was considered a prince of Egypt. Now, no longer there, Dathan and Abiram are accusing him of acting like a prince over them and complaining because they weren't in the Promised Land. They seem to have forgotten the consequences YHVH decreed for agreeing with the spies.</p> <p>Korah and his men (including Dathan, Abiram, and their</p>	<p>Revelation 12 continues: The serpent spewed water out of his mouth like a flood after the woman, in order to carry her away with the flood, but the earth opened its mouth and swallowed up the flood (in order to protect YHVH's people).</p> <p>The enraged dragon went to make war with the rest of her offspring, who keep the commandments of God and</p>

	<p>flowing with milk and honey, nor given us inheritance of fields and vineyards. Will you put out the eyes of these men? We will not come up!"</p>	<p>Then all Israel who were around them fled at their cry, for they said, "Lest the earth swallow us up also!"</p> <p>35 And a fire came out from the Lord and consumed the two hundred and fifty men who were offering incense.</p>	<p>families and possessions) were swallowed by the earth (in order to protect the rest of YHWH's people).</p> <p>The 250 leaders were the ones who offered the incense with fire; therefore, they were the ones consumed by fire.</p>	<p>have the testimony of Yeshua Messiah.</p> <p>Eventually, the dragon (Devil, Satan) will be cast into the pit for 1000 years (Revelation 20:1-3). The Beast and False prophet will be cast alive into the lake of fire. Satan will be released from the pit. He will gather the rebellious from the nations to come against Jerusalem. They will surround the camp of the saints and beloved city. YHWH will devour them with fire from heaven. At the great white throne judgment, those not found written in the Book of Life will be cast into the lake of fire.</p>
D 1-2	<p>Numbers 16:15</p> <p>15 Then Moses was very angry, and said to the Lord, "Do not respect their offering. I have not taken one donkey from them, nor have I hurt one of them."</p>	<p>Numbers 16:28-30</p> <p>28 And Moses said: "By this you shall know that the Lord has sent me to do all these works, for I have not done them of my own will. 29 If these men die naturally like all men, or if they are visited by the common fate of all men, then the Lord has not sent me.</p>	<p>Moses doesn't understand what YHWH is about to do, and he doesn't want YHWH to accept their offering. He knows he is innocent.</p>	<p>We don't even have to suggest to YHWH what to do about the wicked in the future.</p> <p>However, we often plead for an early intervention as we deal with rebellious people in our daily lives.</p> <p>Sometimes we intercede for their deliverance.</p>

		30 But if the Lord creates a new thing, and the earth opens its mouth and swallows them up with all that belongs to them, and they go down alive into the pit , then you will understand that these men have rejected the Lord. "		
E 1-2	<p>Numbers 16:16-19</p> <p>16 And Moses said to Korah, "Tomorrow, you and all your company be present before the Lord — you and they, as well as Aaron. 17 Let each take his censer and put incense in it, and each of you bring his censer before the Lord, two hundred and fifty censers; both you and Aaron, each with his censer." 18 So every man took his censer, put fire in it, laid incense on it, and stood at the door of the tabernacle of meeting with Moses and Aaron. 19 And Korah gathered all the congregation against them at the door of the tabernacle of meeting. Then the glory of the Lord appeared to all the congregation.</p>	<p>Numbers 16:25-27</p> <p>25 Then Moses rose and went to Dathan and Abiram, and the elders of Israel followed him. 26 And he spoke to the congregation, saying, "Depart now from the tents of these wicked men! Touch nothing of theirs, lest you be consumed in all their sins."</p> <p>27 So they got away from around the tents of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram; and Dathan and Abiram came out and stood at the door of their tents, with their wives, their sons, and their little children.</p>	<p>Here, the above mentioned group is divided into 2 groups:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Korah, Dathan and Abiram (plus their families) – only this group was swallowed by the earth. • 250 leaders of the congregation of Israel – were destroyed by fire <p>(On son of Peleth is not mentioned)</p> <p>Numbers 26:11 (Korah's sons did not die.) Joshua 7:24</p>	<p>Two basic groups:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Satan (placed in the abyss), Beast, False prophet (thrown alive in lake of fire) • After the second resurrection, people, gathered by Satan from all of the nations, surround the saints and Jerusalem to destroy her – destroyed by fire. <p>(Demonic host not mentioned again.)</p>

F 1-2	<p>Numbers 16:20-21</p> <p>20 And the Lord spoke to Moses and Aaron, saying, 21 "Separate yourselves from among this congregation, that I may consume them in a moment."</p>	<p>Numbers 16:23-24</p> <p>23 So the Lord spoke to Moses, saying, 24 "Speak to the congregation, saying, 'Get away from the tents of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram.'"</p>	<p>They were commanded to separate themselves from the rebellious.</p> <p>The reason their families are included is because the rebellious spirit has likely already infected the family.</p>	<p>YHVH's people need to separate themselves from rebellious people (and their families) because the consequences of their behavior could be deadly.</p>
G (CENTER)	<p>Numbers 16:22</p> <p>22 Then they fell on their faces, and said, "O God, the God of the spirits of all flesh, shall one man sin, and You be angry with all the congregation?"</p>		<p>Moses interceded for the whole congregation of Israel.</p> <p>YHVH decided not to destroy the entire congregation of Israel; instead, He was more selective in dealing with the diseased part of the congregation, which included their families.</p>	

Consequence of Complaining			
C	Numbers 16:41-45 (H: 17:6-10)	Numbers 16:46-50 (H: 17:11-15)	Comments
A 1-2	<p>Numbers 16:41 (H: 17:6)</p> <p>41 On the next day all the congregation of the children of Israel complained () against Moses and Aaron, saying, "You have killed the people of the Lord."</p>	<p>Numbers 16:49-50 (H: 17:14-15)</p> <p>49 Now those who died in the plague were fourteen thousand seven hundred, besides those who died in the Korah incident. 50 So Aaron returned to Moses at the door of the tabernacle of meeting, for the plague had stopped.</p>	<p>Even though it was YHVH who destroyed the rebellious, the people accused Moses of doing it.</p> <p>This complaining resulted in a plague that killed 14,700 (divisible by 7).</p>

B 1-2	<p>Numbers 16:42 (H: 17:7)</p> <p>42 Now it happened, when the congregation had gathered against Moses and Aaron, that they turned toward the tabernacle of meeting; and suddenly the cloud covered it, and the glory of the Lord appeared.</p>	<p>Numbers 16:47 (H: 17:12-13)</p> <p>47 Then Aaron took it (a censer) as Moses commanded, and ran into the midst of the assembly; and already the plague had begun among the people. So he put in the incense and made atonement for the people. 48 And he stood between the dead and the living; so the plague was stopped.</p>	<p>I wonder what their intention was as they turned toward the tabernacle of meeting.</p> <p>Instead of an animal sacrifice, incense was used to make atonement for the people.</p> <p>Note that it was the incense that normally protected the high priest from death when he was in the most holy place and allowed him to be in YHVVH's presence. Therefore, it is a logical choice to use incense in this situation to cover the people and protect them from death.</p>
C1-2	<p>Numbers 16:43 (H: 17:8)</p> <p>Then Moses and Aaron came before the tabernacle of meeting.</p>	<p>Numbers 16:46 (H: 17:11)</p> <p>46 So Moses said to Aaron, "Take a censer and put fire in it from the altar, put incense on it, and take it quickly to the congregation and make atonement for them; for wrath has gone out from the Lord. The plague has begun."</p>	<p>Moses and Aaron are more likely responding to the cloud of YHVVH's presence than the people.</p> <p>There is no time for further interceding.</p> <p>Judgment is already in motion.</p>
D (CENTER)	<p>Numbers 16:44-45 (H: 17:9-10)</p> <p>44 And the Lord spoke to Moses, saying, 45 "Get away from among this congregation, that I may consume them in a moment."</p> <p>And they fell on their faces.</p>		<p>Once again, YHVVH was ready to destroy the entire congregation of Israel, this time for their accusations against Moses, which were really against YHVVH Himself.</p> <p>YHVVH must have been sick of their complaints:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For water • For food • Of YHVVH's provision of manna • For meat • about YHVVH's choice for leadership • about YHVVH's judgment.

		No wonder He wanted to destroy them.
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Chosen Rod Blossomed			
P	Numbers 17:1-9 (H: 17:16-17:24)	Numbers 17:10-12 (H: 17:25-28)	Comments
A 1-2	<p>Numbers 17:1-5 (H: 17:16-20)</p> <p>17:1 And the Lord spoke to Moses, saying: 2 "Speak to the children of Israel, and get from them a rod from each father's house, all their leaders according to their fathers' houses — twelve rods. Write each man's name on his rod. 3 And you shall write Aaron's name on the rod of Levi. For there shall be one rod for the head of each father's house. 4 Then you shall place them in the tabernacle of meeting before the Testimony, where I meet with you. 5 And it shall be that the rod of the man whom I choose will blossom; thus I will rid Myself of the complaints of the children of Israel, which they make against you."</p>	<p>Numbers 17:10 (H: 17:25)</p> <p>10 And the Lord said to Moses, "Bring Aaron's rod back before the Testimony, to be kept as a sign against the rebels, that you may put their complaints away from Me, lest they die."</p>	<p>The common theme here is YHWH speaking to Moses.</p> <p>YHWH is going to address their complaints and prove He is choosing the leader, not Moses.</p> <p>Each tribal leader was to submit a rod, 1 for each tribe of Israel. Aaron's name was on the rod for the tribe of Levi.</p> <p>A rod is essentially dead. By making the rod blossom and bear the fruit of almonds, YHWH was causing what was dead to be made fully alive.</p> <p>In the same way, Yeshua, although caused to die, was made alive. He is YHWH's choice to rule the nations with a rod of iron.</p> <p>Resurrection and bearing fruit is a sign of leadership at this point.</p>

			<p>To stand against YHWH's choice for leadership will result in death.</p> <p>Those who reject Yeshua are choosing death. They are like the leper who represents the living, walking dead. Those who accept Yeshua are choosing life. They are born again. They are to go and bear fruit, specifically the fruit of the Ruach HaKodesh, as well as Torah obedience, which is "walking in the Spirit." If you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law of sin and death, which is evidenced by the works of the flesh. The Spirit empowers us to be obedient. Many of them will experience the first resurrection unless they are alive when Yeshua returns.</p> <p>(See Romans 1:1-5, 7:6, 8:1-17; 14:17; Ephesian 5:9; Galatians 5:16-25)</p>
B 1-2	<p>Numbers 17:6-7 (H: 17:21-22)</p> <p>6 So Moses spoke to the children of Israel, and each of their leaders gave him a rod apiece, for each leader according to their fathers' houses, twelve rods; and the rod of Aaron was among their rods.</p> <p>7 And Moses placed the rods before the Lord in the tabernacle of witness.</p>	<p>Numbers 17:11 (H: 17:26)</p> <p>11 Thus did Moses; just as the Lord had commanded him, so he did.</p>	<p>Moses did as YHWH commanded.</p> <p>If we are to settle disputes in the assembly, we must do as YHWH has commanded us. We should avoid outside courts when we have a problem against a brother.</p> <p>(See Matthew 5:23-26; 18:15-17; 1 Corinthians 6:1-11)</p>

C	<p>Numbers 17:8-9 (H: 17:23-24)</p> <p>8 Now it came to pass on the next day that Moses went into the tabernacle of witness, and behold, the rod of Aaron, of the house of Levi, had sprouted and put forth buds, had produced blossoms and yielded ripe almonds.</p> <p>9 Then Moses brought out all the rods from before the Lord to all the children of Israel; and they looked, and each man took his rod.</p>	<p>Numbers 17:12-13 (H: 17:27-28)</p> <p>12 So the children of Israel spoke to Moses, saying, "Surely we die, we perish, we all perish! 13 Whoever even comes near the tabernacle of the Lord must die. Shall we all utterly die?"</p>	<p>The common theme here is the response of the people:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-verbal • Verbal <p>I'm surprised they even took back their rods. They had to be devastated and then afraid, hence their verbal response.</p>
<p>This rod was placed for a time in the ark of the covenant (Hebrews 9:4).</p> <p>Samuel is from the line of Korah (1 Chronicles 6:22-28).</p>			

YHVH's Covenant with Israel			
P	Numbers 18:1-19	Numbers 18:20-32	Comments
A 1-2	<p>Numbers 18:1-7</p> <p>18 Then the Lord said to Aaron: "You and your sons and your father's house with you shall bear the iniquity (עֲוֹן ; avon) related to the sanctuary, and you and your sons with you shall bear the iniquity associated with your priesthood. 2 Also bring with you your brethren of the tribe of Levi, the tribe of your father, that they may be joined with you and serve you while you and your sons are with you before the tabernacle of witness. 3 They shall attend to your needs and all the needs</p>	<p>Numbers 18:20-24</p> <p>20 Then the Lord said to Aaron: "You shall have no inheritance in their land, nor shall you have any portion among them; I am your portion and your inheritance among the children of Israel.</p> <p>21 "Behold, I have given the children of Levi all the tithes in Israel as an inheritance in return for the work which they perform, the work of the tabernacle of meeting.</p>	<p>YHVH has a covenant with Israel that required a priesthood. All of the children of Israel were part of this covenant. Each group had a responsibility to bear.</p> <p>What does "bear iniquity" mean? Could it be related to Leviticus 10:17 which took place after the death of Nadab and Abihu? <i>Why have you not eaten the sin offering in a holy place, since it is most holy, and God has given it to you to bear</i></p>

	<p>of the tabernacle; but they shall not come near the articles of the sanctuary and the altar, lest they die — they and you also. 4 They shall be joined with you and attend to the needs of the tabernacle of meeting, for all the work of the tabernacle; but an outsider shall not come near you. 5 And you shall attend to the duties of the sanctuary and the duties of the altar, that there may be no more wrath on the children of Israel. 6 Behold, I Myself have taken your brethren the Levites from among the children of Israel; they are a gift to you, given by the Lord, to do the work of the tabernacle of meeting. 7 Therefore you and your sons with you shall attend to your priesthood for everything at the altar and behind the veil; and you shall serve. I give your priesthood to you as a gift for service, but the outsider who comes near shall be put to death."</p>	<p>22 Hereafter the children of Israel shall not come near the tabernacle of meeting, lest they bear sin and die.</p> <p>23 But the Levites shall perform the work of the tabernacle of meeting, and they shall bear their iniquity; it shall be a statute forever, throughout your generations, that among the children of Israel they shall have no inheritance.</p> <p>24 For the tithes of the children of Israel, which they offer up as a heave offering to the Lord, I have given to the Levites as an inheritance; therefore I have said to them, 'Among the children of Israel they shall have no inheritance.'"</p>	<p><i>the guilt of the congregation, to make atonement for them before the Lord?</i></p> <p>Along with the leadership of the priesthood and the responsibility to come near YHVH came the responsibility to bear the iniquity related to the sanctuary and their priesthood.</p> <p>That is a huge burden to bear. In addition, they would have no inheritance. It is a gift of service, but is not all of this also the consequences of the sin of the golden calf?</p> <p>If the children of Israel were to come near, they would bear their sin and die.</p> <p>Think of how Yeshua bore our sins and iniquities so that we would not have to suffer the curse of the law of sin and death. His blood makes it possible to draw near to the Father. Yeshua, not Mary or anyone else, is our intermediary between the Father and us.</p> <p>The Levites, the priests, do get the tithes of the children of Israel as an inheritance because they have no</p>
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			<p>other inheritance among the children of Israel.</p> <p>Will not God give us, who have turned from darkness to light/from the power of Satan to God, an eternal inheritance in the kingdom of God among all who are sanctified by faith in Yeshua?</p> <p>(See Acts 20:32, 26:17-18; Hebrews 9:15; 1 Peter 1:3-4)</p>
B 1-2	<p>Numbers 18:8-19</p> <p>8 And the Lord spoke to Aaron: "Here, I Myself have also given you charge of My heave offerings, all the holy gifts of the children of Israel; I have given them as a portion to you and your sons, as an ordinance forever.</p> <p>9 This shall be yours of the most holy things reserved from the fire: every offering of theirs, every grain offering and every sin offering and every trespass offering which they render to Me, shall be most holy for you and your sons. 10 In a most holy place you shall eat it; every male shall eat it. It shall be holy to you.</p> <p>11 "This also is yours: the heave offering of their gift, with all the wave offerings of the children of Israel; I have given them to you, and your sons and daughters with you, as an</p>	<p>Numbers 18:25-32</p> <p>25 Then the Lord spoke to Moses, saying, 26 "Speak thus to the Levites, and say to them: 'When you take from the children of Israel the tithes which I have given you from them as your inheritance, then you shall offer up a heave offering of it to the Lord, a tenth of the tithe. 27 And your heave offering shall be reckoned to you as though it were the grain of the threshing floor and as the fullness of the winepress.</p> <p>28 Thus you shall also offer a heave offering to the Lord from all your tithes which you receive from the children of Israel, and you shall give the Lord's heave offering from it to Aaron the priest. 29 Of all your gifts you shall offer up every heave offering due to the Lord, from all the best of them, the consecrated part of them.' 30 Therefore you shall say to them: 'When you have lifted up the best of it, then the rest shall be accounted to the Levites as the produce of the</p>	<p>YHVH's holy people will be lifted up. They will be spared from the lake of fire.</p> <p>Because of the heavy responsibility of Aaron and his sons, they have been blessed with the firstfruits, heave offerings, wave offerings, etc. They are the best and holy gifts from the people.</p> <p>YHVH's people, separated out from the nations are the best, they are holy. They are the "cream of the crop." They represent the firstborn, the firstfruits. They, who were unclean, have been redeemed. They were not holy, but now are holy.</p> <p>Aaron and his sons were to offer up a heave offering of what they</p>

	<p>ordinance forever. everyone who is clean in your house may eat it.</p> <p>12 "All the best of the oil, all the best of the new wine and the grain, their firstfruits which they offer to the Lord, I have given them to you. 13 Whatever first ripe fruit is in their land, which they bring to the Lord, shall be yours. Everyone who is clean in your house may eat it.</p> <p>14 "Every devoted thing in Israel shall be yours.</p> <p>15 "Everything that first opens the womb of all flesh, which they bring to the Lord, whether man or beast, shall be yours; nevertheless the firstborn of man you shall surely redeem, and the firstborn of unclean animals you shall redeem. 16 And those redeemed of the devoted things you shall redeem when one month old, according to your valuation, for five shekels of silver, according to the shekel of the sanctuary, which is twenty gerahs.</p> <p>17 But the firstborn of a cow, the firstborn of a sheep, or the firstborn of a goat you shall not redeem; they are holy. You shall sprinkle their blood on the altar, and burn their fat as an offering made by fire for a sweet aroma to the Lord. 18 And their flesh shall be yours, just as the wave breast and the right thigh are yours.</p> <p>19 "All the heave offerings of the holy things, which the children of Israel offer to</p>	<p>threshing floor and as the produce of the winepress.</p> <p>31 You may eat it in any place, you and your households, for it is your reward for your work in the tabernacle of meeting. 32 And you shall bear no sin because of it, when you have lifted up the best of it. But you shall not profane the holy gifts of the children of Israel, lest you die."</p>	<p>received as well. They could eat it. The remainder of the tithes from the people was to go to the Levites.</p> <p>The sons of Aaron have a covenant of salt with YHVH, and all of the children of Israel have a covenant of blood with YHVH that was renewed by Yeshua's blood.</p> <p>YHVH God gave the dominion of Israel over to David and his descendants, including Yeshua, by a covenant of salt (2 Chronicles 13:5).</p> <p>All grain offerings, which have no blood, were to be seasoned with salt. Blood, a component of other offerings, already has salt in it. We are the salt of the earth; we are to offer ourselves as living, holy sacrifices that are acceptable to God. We do not offer our own blood because Yeshua offered His own blood in our place. (Leviticus 2:13; Romans 12:1-2; Matthew 5:13)</p> <p>The covenants of salt and blood, though different, represent the same covenant. The blessings and curses of the covenant are binding</p>
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	<p>the Lord, I have given to you and your sons and daughters with you as an ordinance forever; it is a covenant of salt forever before the Lord with you and your descendants with you."</p>		<p>and will be upheld when Yeshua returns to destroy His enemies.</p>
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