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Book of Numbers Chapter 35

04_NUM_35_01 And the LORD spake unto Moses in the plains of Moab by Jordan [near] Jericho, saying,

04_NUM_35_02 Command the children of Israel, that they give unto the Levites of the inheritance of their possession cities to dwell in; and ye shall give [also] unto the Levites suburbs for the cities round about them.

04_NUM_35_03 And the cities shall they have to dwell in; and the suburbs of them shall be for their cattle, and for their goods, and for all their beasts.

04_NUM_35_04 And the suburbs of the cities, which ye shall give unto the Levites, [shall reach] from the wall of the city and outward a thousand cubits round about.

04_NUM_35_05 And ye shall measure from without the city on the east side two thousand cubits, and on the south side two thousand cubits, and on the west side two thousand cubits, and on the north side two thousand cubits; and the city [shall be] in the midst: this shall be to them the suburbs of the cities.

04_NUM_35_06 And among the cities which ye shall give unto the Levites [there shall be] six cities for refuge, which ye shall appoint for the manslayer, that he may flee thither: and to them ye shall add forty and two cities.

04_NUM_35_07 [So] all the cities which ye shall give to the Levites [shall be] forty and eight cities: them [shall ye give] with their suburbs.

04_NUM_35_08 And the cities which ye shall give [shall be] of the possession of the children of Israel: from [them that have] many ye shall give many; but from [them that have] few ye shall give few: every one shall give of his cities unto the Levites according to his inheritance which he inheriteth.

04_NUM_35_09 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

04_NUM_35_10 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye be come over Jordan into the land of Canaan;

04_NUM_35_11 Then ye shall appoint you cities to be cities of refuge for you; that the slayer may flee thither, which killeth any person at unawares.

04_NUM_35_12 And they shall be unto you cities for refuge from the avenger; that the manslayer die not, until he stand before the congregation in judgment.

04_NUM_35_13 And of these cities which ye shall give six cities shall ye have for refuge.

04_NUM_35_14 Ye shall give three cities on this side Jordan, and three cities shall ye give in the land of Canaan, [which] shall be cities of refuge.

04_NUM_35_15 These six cities shall be a refuge, [both] for the children of Israel, and for the stranger, and for the sojourner among them: that every one that killeth any person unawares may flee thither.

04_NUM_35_16 And if he smite him with an instrument of iron, so that he die, he [is] a murderer: the murderer shall surely be put to death.

04_NUM_35_17 And if he smite him with throwing a stone, wherewith he may die, and he die, he [is] a murderer: the murderer shall surely be put to death.

04_NUM_35_18 Or [if] he smite him with an hand weapon of wood, wherewith he may die, and he die, he [is] a murderer: the murderer shall surely be put to death.

04_NUM_35_19 The revenger of blood himself shall slay the murderer: when he meeteth him, he shall slay him.

04_NUM_35_20 But if he thrust him of hatred, or hurl at him by laying of wait, that he die;

04_NUM_35_21 Or in enmity smite him with his hand, that he die: he that smote [him] shall surely be put to death; [for] he [is] a murderer: the revenger of blood shall slay the murderer, when he meeteth him.

04_NUM_35_22 But if he thrust him suddenly without enmity, or have cast upon him any thing without laying of wait,

04_NUM_35_23 Or with any stone, wherewith a man may die, seeing [him] not, and cast [it] upon him, that he die, and [was] not his enemy, neither sought his harm:

04_NUM_35_24 Then the congregation shall judge between the slayer and the revenger of blood according to these judgments:

04_NUM_35_25 And the congregation shall deliver the slayer out of the hand of the revenger of blood, and the congregation shall restore him to the city of his refuge, whither he was fled: and he shall abide in it unto the death of the high priest, which was anointed with the holy oil.

04_NUM_35_26 But if the slayer shall at any time come without the border of the city of his refuge, whither he was fled;

04_NUM_35_27 And the revenger of blood find him without the borders of the city of his refuge, and the revenger of blood kill the slayer; he shall not be guilty of blood:

04_NUM_35_28 Because he should have remained in the city of his refuge until the death of the high priest: but after the death of the high priest the slayer shall return into the land of his possession.

04_NUM_35_29 So these [things] shall be for a statute of judgment unto you throughout your generations in all your dwellings.

04_NUM_35_30 Whoso killeth any person, the murderer shall be put to death by the mouth of witnesses: but one witness shall not testify against any person [to cause him] to die.

04_NUM_35_31 Moreover ye shall take no satisfaction for the life of a murderer, which [is] guilty of death: but he shall be surely put to death.

04_NUM_35_32 And ye shall take no satisfaction for him that is fled to the city of his refuge, that he should come again to dwell in the land, until the death of the priest.

04_NUM_35_33 So ye shall not pollute the land wherein ye [are]: for blood it defileth the land: and the land cannot be cleansed of the blood that is shed therein, but by the blood of him that shed it.

04_NUM_35_34 Defile not therefore the land which ye shall inhabit, wherein I dwell: for I the LORD dwell among the children of Israel.