





CHIASTIC STRUCTURE

(MIRROR-IMAGE SYMMETRY)

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Genesis

Exodus

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Leviticus

Numbers

Deuteronomy

Pre-History of Israel Journey from Egypt to Mt. Sinai At Mt Sinai

Journey from Mt. Sinai to Jordan

Future of Israel in Promised Land





The Book of Numbers in the English Bible is called 'Bemidbar' in the Hebrew Bible.

'BEMIDBAR' = 'IN THE WILDERNESS'



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EXODUS

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NUMBERS

Victory over Egypt (14)

Song of Victory (15:1-18)

Complaints (15:24)

Manna & quail (16)

Water from the rock [17:1-7]

Idolatry (32:6)

Moses intercedes 32:11-13

Census (30:11-16; Num 1-4)

Victory over Sihon & Og 21:21-35

Song of Victory (21:14-15)

Complaints (11:1)

Manna & quail (11:4-35)

Water from the rock 20:2-13

Idolatry (25:1-3)

Moses intercedes (14:13-19)

Census (26)





COMING OUT vs GOING IN

THE EXODUS & THE WILDERNESS



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COMING OUT
VS GOING IN

AN EXTERNAL PROBLEM
VS AN INTERNAL PROBLEM



NUMBERS 11:11-12

So Moses said to the Lord, "Why have You afflicted Your servant? And why have I not found favour in Your sight, that You have laid the burden of all these people on me? ¹² Did I conceive all these people? Did I beget them, that You should say to me, 'Carry them in your bosom, as a guardian carries a nursing child,' to the land which You swore to their fathers?"





HEBREWS 5:12

For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the first principles of the oracles of God; and you have come to need milk and not solid food.



MARK 6:52

For they had not understood about the loaves, because their heart was hardened.

EXODUS & THE WILDERNESS



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A SLAVERY MENTALITY
VS A FREEDOM MENTALITY





Slavery to man 'Avoda/Hard Work'

Service to God

Breaks of spirit

EXODUS & THE WILDERNESS

Purpose, fulfilment & satisfaction



NUMBERS 11:5

We remember the fish which we ate freely in Egypt, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic;



NUMBERS 16:13

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?



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A SLAVERY MENTALITY
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ANESCAPE VS A WILDERNESS



GENESIS 12:1

Now the Lord had said to Abram: "Get out of your country, From your family and from your father's house, to a land that I will show you."

COUNTRY

CULTURE

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