

THE LIVES OF THE PROPHETS MOSES 30

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8 And they slew the kings of Midian, beside the rest of them that were slain; namely, Evi, and Rekem, and Zur, and Hur, and Reba, five kings of Midian: Balaam also the son of Beor they slew with the sword.

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9 And the children of Israel took all the women of Midian captives, and their little ones, and took the spoil of all their cattle, and all their flocks, and all their goods.

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10 And they burnt all their cities wherein they dwelt, and all their goodly castles, with fire.

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11 And they took all the spoil, and all the prey, both of men and of beasts.

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12 And they brought the captives, and the prey, and the spoil, unto Moses, and Eleazar the priest, and unto the congregation of the children of Israel, unto the camp at the plains of Moab, which are by Jordan near Jericho.

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13 And Moses, and Eleazar the priest, and all the princes of the congregation, went forth to meet them without the camp.

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14 And Moses was wroth with the officers of the host, with the captains over thousands, and captains over hundreds, which came from the battle.

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15 And Moses said unto them, Have ye saved all the women alive?

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16 Behold, these caused the children of Israel, through the counsel of Balaam, to commit trespass against the LORD in the matter of Peor, and there was a plague among the congregation of the LORD.

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17 Now therefore kill every male among the little ones, and kill every woman that hath known man by lying with him.

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18 But all the women children, that have not known a man by lying with him, keep alive for yourselves.

NUMBERS 32:1

1 Now the children of Reuben and the children of Gad had a very great multitude of cattle: and when they saw the land of Jazer, and the land of Gilead, that, behold, the place was a place for cattle;

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2 The children of Gad and the children of Reuben came and spake unto Moses, and to Eleazar the priest, and unto the princes of the congregation, saying,

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3 Ataroth, and Dibon, and Jazer, and Nimrah, and Heshbon, and Elealeh, and Shebam, and Nebo, and Beon,

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4 Even the country which the LORD smote before the congregation of Israel, is a land for cattle, and thy servants have cattle:

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5 Wherefore, said they, if we have found grace in thy sight, let this land be given unto thy servants for a possession, and bring us not over Jordan.

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6 And Moses said unto the children of Gad and to the children of Reuben, Shall your brethren go to war, and shall ye sit here?

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7 And wherefore discourage ye the heart of the children of Israel from going over into the land which the LORD hath given them?

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8 Thus did your fathers, when I sent them from Kadesh-barnea to see the land.

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9 For when they went up unto the valley of Eshcol, and saw the land, they discouraged the heart of the children of Israel, that they should not go into the land which the LORD had given them.

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10 And the LORD'S anger was kindled the same time, and he sware, saying,

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11 Surely none of the men that came up out of Egypt, from twenty years old and upward, shall see the land which I sware unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob; because they have not wholly followed me:

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12 Save Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite, and Joshua the son of Nun: for they have wholly followed the LORD.

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13 And the LORD'S anger was kindled against Israel, and he made them wander in the wilderness forty years, until all the generation, that had done evil in the sight of the LORD, was consumed.

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14 And, behold, ye are risen up in your fathers' stead, an increase of sinful men, to augment yet the fierce anger of the LORD toward Israel.

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15 For if ye turn away from after him, he will yet again leave them in the wilderness; and ye shall destroy all this people.

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16 And they came near unto him, and said, We will build sheepfolds here for our cattle, and cities for our little ones: