

## NUMBERS 27 AND 36

## FAITH'S RESPONSE

Read Numbers 27

### THE BACKGROUND (NUMBERS 27)

Examine the passage. Let's understand the issue:

What can you say of Zelophehad based on statements given by the daughters in verse 3?

So what's the consequence of Zelophehad's demise?

### THE REQUEST AND THE ANSWER

What was being requested?

Who finally decided?

Discuss among your group what the significance of the answer from God is.

How does it apply to me as a believer in the 21<sup>st</sup> century in Singapore?

Read Numbers 36

### NUMBERS 36

What was the issue (verses 2-4)?

What was decided (verses 5-9)?

What was the response (verses 10-12)?

## SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION NUMBERS 27, 36

Looking back to the promises:

Genesis 15

Two features of this promise:

Genesis 15:5: A nation of people as innumerable as the stars

(Fulfilled as the people gathered in the wilderness at the start of the book of Numbers)

Genesis 15:18: The inheritance of a land as marked out by God.

(At the threshold of fulfillment as Moses mark out the inheritance of the Promised Land in chapter 34, 35; and with the people looking forward to the conquest that God will lead them into.)

Looking forward with history in view:

This is the second generation. Fresh in their view was what had happened to their parent's generation. What will they do?

## SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION TO THE BOOK OF NUMBERS

Recap: What was the theme of the book of Numbers?

(Cross references: Exodus 5:1; 7:16; 8:27-28)

Exodus 5:1:- feast

Exodus 7:16:- serve

Exodus 8:27-28:- sacrifice

Worship = Liturgy + Life

Liturgy: form, structure, regulatory practices, organization, a public convocation, an outward and public declaration/ascribing to God His worth and glory!

Life: Obedience, submission, agreement, faithfulness; a life lived according to the heart held belief of God and His revealed Word.

Can you see both in the book of Numbers?

*Therefore, since a promise remains of entering His rest, let us fear lest any of you seem to have come short of it. For indeed the gospel was preached to us as well as to them; but the word which they heard did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in those who heard it. For we who have believed do enter that rest, as He has said:*

*"So I swore in My wrath,  
'They shall not enter My rest,' "*

*Hebrews 4:1-3*