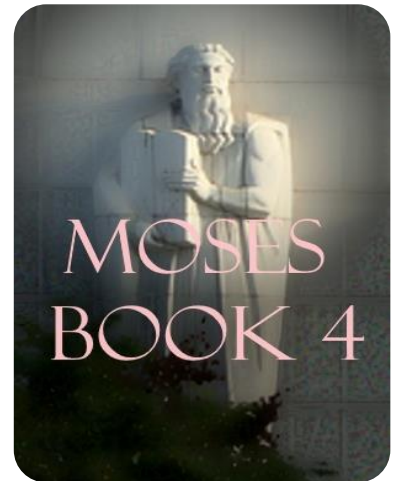


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In the preface to this Book of Moses we read: The titles of the five books of Moses, which we use in our Bibles, are all borrowed from the Greek translation of the Seventy, the most ancient version of the Old Testament what we know of. But the title of this book we only turn into English; in all the rest we retain the Greek word, for which difference I know no reason, but that the Latin translators have done the same. Otherwise this book might as well have been called: **Arithmoi**. Where we get our word: **arithmetic**. The Greek title = the numbering; as it shows the promise of God to Abraham that his children would be as the stars of heaven. In this book are two numberings: one at Mount Sinai in Arabia – chapter 1; and the other on the plains of Moab 39 years later. -- Matthew Henry.



The People Complained

¹ And when the people complained, it displeased the LORD: and the LORD heard it; and His anger was kindled; and the fire of the LORD burnt among them, and consumed those who were in the outermost parts of the camp.

² And the people cried to Moses; and when Moses prayed to the LORD, the fire died out.

³ And he called the name of that place Taberah: because the fire of the LORD blazed among them.

⁴ And the rabble who were among them had a craving: and the children of Israel also wept again, and said, Who will give us meat to eat?

⁵ We remember the fish, which we ate freely in Egypt; cucumbers and melons, leeks and onions, and garlic / but it sounds like they forgot they were slaves in that same place; and hated by the citizens more than they could imagine:

⁶ But now our appetite is gone: there is nothing at all to look at, beside this manna.

⁷ And the manna was like coriander seed, and its color appearance like bdellium.

⁸ The people went about and gathered it, and ground it between millstones, or crushed it in a mortar, and boiled it in pans, and made cakes with it: and its taste was like the taste of fresh oil.

⁹ And when the dew fell on the camp at night, the manna fell with it.

¹⁰ Moses heard the people weeping family after family, each at the entrance of his tent: and the anger of the LORD was kindled greatly; and Moses also was displeased.

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¹¹ And Moses asked the LORD, Why have You troubled Your servant? and why have I not found favor in Your sight, that You burden me with all these people?

¹² Did I conceive all these people? Did I give them birth, that You should say to me, Carry them on your bosom, like a nursing woman carries a baby, to the land which You pledged to their fathers?

¹³ Where can I get meat to give to all these people? for they cry to me, saying, Give us meat that we may eat / isn't it interesting, that these people took their cattle with them, when they left Egypt. Did the rabble expect the Lord to do all the miraculous work, or what?

¹⁴ I can't carry all these people alone; they are too much for me.

¹⁵ So if You are going to deal thus with me, kill me now, please. If I have found favor in Your sight; let me not see my misery.

¹⁶ So the LORD said to Moses, Gather for Me 70 men from the elders of Israel, whom you know as elders and officers over the people; and bring them to the tent of meeting, and let them stand there with you.

¹⁷ Then I will come down and talk with you there. I will take of the Spirit who is upon you, and will put upon them; and they will bear the burden of the people with you, that you will not bear it all alone.

¹⁸ And say to the people, Consecrate yourselves for tomorrow, and you will eat meat: for you cried before the LORD, saying, Who will give us meat to eat? for it was well with us in Egypt: so the LORD will give you meat, and you will eat.

¹⁹ You will eat, not one day, nor two days, nor five days, nor ten days, nor twenty days;

²⁰ but a whole month, until it comes out of your nostrils, and becomes loathsome to you: because you rejected the Lord who is among you, and cried to Him, saying, Why did we leave Egypt?

²¹ But Moses said, The people whom I am among, are 600,000 foot soldiers; yet You said, I will give them meat, that they may eat a whole month.

²² Will the flocks and herds slaughtered for them, be sufficient for them? or will all the fish of the sea gathered together for them, be sufficient for them?

²³ And the LORD said to Moses, Is the hand of the LORD limited? You will see whether or not My word will happen for you.

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24 And Moses went out, and told the people the words of the LORD, and brought 70 men of the elders of the people, and placed them around the tent.

25 And the LORD came down in a cloud, and spoke to him, and took of the Spirit that was upon him, and gave 70 elders: and when the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied, but did not again.

26 But two men remained in the camp; the name of one was Eldad, and the other Medad: and the Spirit rested on them; (they were of those who were registered, but did not go out to the tent: and they prophesied in the camp);

27 a young man ran and told Moses and said, Eldad and Medad prophesy in the camp.

28 And Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of Moses from his youth, answered and said, Moses, my lord, restrain them.

29 But Moses said to him, Are you envious for my sake? Would that all the people of the LORD were prophets, and that the LORD would put His Spirit on them!

30 Then Moses returned to the camp, he and the elders of Israel.

31 Then there went forth a wind from the LORD, and blew quail from the sea, and dropped them by the camp, about a day's journey on this side, and about a day's journey on the other side, all around the camp, and it was two cubits / 3 feet from the surface of the earth.

32 And the people spent all day and all night, and all the next day, gathering the quail: he who gathered least gathered 50 bushels: and they spread them out all around the camp for themselves.

33 And while the meat was yet between their teeth, before it was chewed, the anger of the LORD burned against the people, and the LORD hit the rabble with a severe plague.

34 So the name of the place was Kibroth-hattaavah: because there they buried those who craved.

35 From Kibroth-hattaavah the people moved to Hazeroth; and remained at Hazeroth.

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