

## YOUR JOURNEY TO JESUS

### Bible Study Group



He Changes the Hearts and  
Minds of All Who Receive Him

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## Bible Study Notes

### Numbers 27: Inheritance Laws, and Joshua the Next Leader of Israel

Good evening, welcome to our Friday Night Bible Study. Tonight we begin our study of Numbers 27. In this chapter, God gives specific instructions to Moses concerning:

- The inheritance laws (verses 1-11), and
- Joshua, the next leader of Israel (verses 12-23)

In this study, we learn a valuable lesson concerning family inheritance. This lesson should cast down any confusion that may exist concerning our inheritance in Christ as the sons and daughters of God. Now, when Zelophehad, a man from the tribe of Manasseh died; he had 5 daughters, but he had no sons. After the death of Zelophehad, believing they were entitled to the inheritance of their father; the daughters of Zelophehad approached Moses and Eleazar, and asked to receive a portion of the land of Canaan as their inheritance; so that they could carry on their father's name.

It is important to understand that women are not, nor have they ever been omitted from the inheritance of Christ just because they were women. You see in the eyes of our Father in Heaven, there is no difference made because the Lord our God has no respect of person; He judges all by the same standard ([Romans 2:10-11](#)). That being said, back in that day; if a man died and had only daughters, any family inheritance would go to them after his death. Today, we are brothers and sisters in Christ; when Christ died, he too left an inheritance to all those who belonged to Him ([2 Corinthians 6:18](#); [John 1:10-12](#); [Romans 8:12-17](#); [Galatians 3:26-29](#)).

Moses presented their case to the Lord, and the Lord said to him, “What the daughters of Zelophehad requested is correct; give them property among their father's relatives, and let his inheritance pass on to them.” The Lord goes further to instruct Moses to tell the people of Israel that:

- If a man dies without leaving a son, his daughter would inherit his property;
- If a man dies and he has no daughter, then his brothers would inherit his property;
- If he has no brothers, then his father's brothers would inherit his property; or

- If he has no brothers or uncles, then his nearest relative would inherit his property and hold it as his own property.

The people of Israel were to observe this as a legal requirement, just as the Lord had commanded them. It is no different today; the legal requirements exist though many of us have no concept of where it comes from. With what the Lord told Moses concerning the matter, resolution was reached so that confusion would not settle in and create strife among His people.

In today's world, people continue to fight over who gets what when a person dies; the families continue to fight over land and property that has not been allotted to them; and they continue to believe they have the right to lay claim to the worldly possessions in the name of the Lord. My brothers and sisters understand this; the worldly things belong to the world, and the world has a different standard than we do. We are the children of the Most-High God; so then, let us behave differently than the world and the people in it ([1 John 2:15-17](#); [John 15:18-25](#); [1 John 4:1-11](#); [Romans 12:9-21](#)).

## Rebellion and the Inheritance

- [Numbers 14:1-10](#) (Israel refused to enter the land of Canaan)
- [Numbers 14:17-24](#); [Matthew 10:32-33](#) (Those who rejected the Lord had no inheritance)
- [Numbers 14:26-37](#) (The death sentence of those who rebelled against the Lord)
- [Numbers 14:39-45](#) (They could not have what the Lord did not give)
- [Hebrews 3:1-14](#) (Today, if you will hear His voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion)
- [2 Peter 2:4-11](#) (For God did not spare the angels who sinned against Him)
- [2 Corinthians 5:7-11](#); [Revelation 20:11-15](#) (We must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ)

## Faith and Belief and the Inheritance

- [Matthew 12:30-32](#) (He who is not with Me is against Me)
- [Ephesians 4:3-14](#) (He predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself)
- [Colossians 1:9-18](#) (Those who believe are partakers of the inheritance through the blood of Christ).
- [1 Corinthians 6:9-20](#) (Do not be deceived; there is no inheritance for the unrighteous)
- [John 3:5-8](#) (You must be born again)
- [John 4:23-24](#) (The hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers)
- [Galatians 5:16-26](#) (Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh)
- [2 Corinthians 5:14-21](#) (The love of Christ compels us)
- [2 Timothy 2:11-19](#) (If we endure, we shall also reign with Him)