



*Congregation Notes Torah Portion Korach  
Rebellion and the Dragon Then and Now  
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Numbers 16:1-18:32; Isaiah 66:1-24; Mark 9:40-50*

**\*Revelation 12:7-9** And there was war in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and **the dragon** fought and his angels, and prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven. And the **great dragon** was cast out, that **old serpent**, called **the Devil**, and **Satan**, which deceives the whole world; he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

**\*Revelation 20:1-3** And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. And he laid hold on **the dragon, that old serpent**, which is **the Devil**, and **Satan**, and bound him a thousand years, and cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season.

**\*Revelation 13:16-18** And the second beast required all people small and great, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on their right hand or on their forehead, so that no one could buy or sell unless he had the mark—the name of the beast or the number of its name. Here is a call for wisdom: Let the one who has insight calculate the number of the beast, for it is the number of a man, and that number is 666.

**\*John 10:10** The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

**\*I John 4:4** You are of God, little children, and have overcome them, because He who is in you is greater than the one in the world.

**\*I John 5:4** because everyone born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world: our faith. Who then overcomes the world? Only he who believes that Yeshua is the Son of God...

**\*Joshua 24:15** But if it is displeasing in your sight to serve the LORD, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your fathers served beyond the Euphrates, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living.

**\*Numbers 16:1-3** Now Korah the son of Izhar, the son of Kohath, the son of Levi, with Dathan and Abiram the sons of Eliab, and On the son of Peleth, sons of Reuben,

took men; and they rose up before Moses with some of the children of Israel, **two hundred and fifty leaders of the congregation**, representatives of the congregation, **men of renown**. They gathered together against Moses and Aaron, and said to them, You take too much upon yourselves, **for all the congregation is holy**, every one of them, and the Lord *is* among them. Why then do you exalt yourselves above the assembly of the Lord?

**\*I Chronicles 23:12-13** The sons of Kohath: Amram, Izhar, Hebron, and Uzziel, four in all. The sons of Amram: Aaron and Moses.

**\*Numbers 16:1** Now Korach the son of Izhar, son of Kohath.....

**\*Numbers 3:30** And the chief of the house of the father of the families of the Kohathites shall be Elizaphan the son of Uzziel.

**\*Numbers 16:2-3** ...and they rose up before Moses with some of the children of Israel, **two hundred and fifty leaders** of the congregation, representatives of the congregation, **men of renown**. They gathered together against Moses and Aaron, and said to them, You take too much upon yourselves, for all the congregation is holy, every one of them, and the Lord *is* among them. Why then do you exalt yourselves above the assembly of the Lord?

**\*John 8:44** You are of your father the devil, and you desire to do the desires of your father. He was a murderer from the beginning, and has not stood in the truth, because there is no truth in him. Whenever he might speak falsehood, he speaks from his own; for he is a liar, and the father of lies.

**\*Genesis 3:4** You will not surely die, the serpent said.

**\*Luke 10:19** I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you.

**\*Genesis 49:5-6a** Simeon and Levi are brothers; Instruments of cruelty are in their dwelling place. Let not my soul enter their council; Let not my honor be united to their assembly;

**\*Jeremiah 39:11-16 & 41:1-2** When all the Jews in Moab, Ammon, Edom and all the other countries heard that the king of Babylon had left a remnant in Judah and had appointed Gedaliah son of Ahikam, the son of Shaphan, as governor over them, they all came back to the land of Judah, to Gedaliah at Mizpah, from all the countries where they had been scattered. And they harvested an abundance of wine and summer fruit. Johanan son of Kareah and all the army officers still in the open country came to Gedaliah at Mizpah and said to him, "Don't you know that Baalis king of the Ammonites has sent Ishmael son of Nethaniah to take your life?" But Gedaliah son of Ahikam did not believe them.

Then Johanan son of Kareah said privately to Gedaliah in Mizpah, "Let me go and kill Ishmael son of Nethaniah, and no one will know it. Why should he take your life and cause all the Jews who are gathered around you to be scattered and the remnant of Judah to perish?"

But Gedaliah son of Ahikam said to Johanan son of Kareah, "Don't do such a thing! What you are saying about Ishmael is not true."

41 In the seventh month Ishmael ..... came with ten men to Gedaliah son of Ahikam at Mizpah. While they were eating together there, Ishmael son of Nethaniah and the ten men who were with him got up and struck down Gedaliah son of Ahikam, the son of Shaphan, with the sword, killing the one whom the king of Babylon had appointed as governor over the land. Ishmael also killed all the men of Judah who were with Gedaliah at Mizpah, as well as the Babylonian soldiers who were there.

**\*Numbers 16:9-11** Is it a small thing to you that the God of Israel has separated you from the congregation of Israel, to bring you near to Himself, to do the work of the tabernacle of the Lord, and to stand before the congregation to serve them; **(IN OTHER WORDS ARE YOU NOT HAPPY WITH THE WORK GOD HAS CALLED YOU TO DO?)** and that He has brought you near to Himself, you and all your brethren, the sons of Levi, with you? And are you seeking the priesthood also? Therefore you and all your company are gathered together against the Lord. And what is Aaron that you complain against him?

**\*James 3:14-16** But if you have bitter envy and self-seeking in your hearts, do not boast and lie against the truth. This wisdom does not descend from above, but is earthly, sensual, demonic. For where envy and self-seeking exist, confusion and every evil thing are there.

**\*Numbers 16:12-14** And Moses sent to call Dathan and Abiram the sons of Eliab, but they said, We will not come up! 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? Moreover, you have not brought us into a land flowing with milk and honey, nor given us inheritance of fields and vineyards. Will you put out the eyes of these men? We will not come up!

**\*I Samuel 15:23** For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. Because you have rejected the word of the Lord, He has also rejected you from being king.

**\*Romans 6:23** For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**\*Numbers 16:15** Then Moses was very angry, and said to the Lord, "Do not respect their offering. I have not taken one donkey from them, nor have I hurt one of them.

**\*Numbers 16:19** And Korah gathered all the congregation against them at the door of the tabernacle of meeting. Then the glory of the LORD appeared to all the congregation.

**\*Numbers 16:20-21** And the Lord spoke to Moses and Aaron, saying, Separate yourselves from among this congregation, that I may consume them in a moment.

**\*Numbers 16:28-30** And Moses said: "By this you shall know that the Lord has sent me to do all these works, for I have not done them of my own will. If these men die naturally like all men, or if they are visited by the common fate of all men, then the Lord has not sent me. But if the Lord creates a new thing, and the earth opens its mouth and swallows them up with all that belongs to them, and they go down alive into the pit, then you will understand that these men have rejected the Lord.

**\*Numbers 16:31** Now it came to pass, as he finished speaking all these words, that the ground split apart under them, and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed them up, with their households and all the men with Korah, with all their goods. So they and all those with them went down alive into the pit; the earth closed over them, and they perished from among the assembly.

**\*Numbers 16:41;42b** On the next day all the congregation of the children of Israel complained against Moses and Aaron, saying, You have killed the people of the Lord...suddenly a cloud appeared above it.

**\*Numbers 16:45** Get away from this assembly so I can put an end to them at once. And they fell facedown.

**\*Numbers 16:46** Then Moses said to Aaron, Take your censer and put incense in it, along with burning coals from the altar, and hurry to the assembly to make atonement for them. Wrath has come out from the LORD; the plague has started.

**\*Numbers 16:48-50** He stood between the living and the dead, and the plague stopped. But 14,700 people died from the plague, in addition to those who had died because of Korah. Then Aaron returned to Moses at the entrance to the tent of meeting, for the plague had stopped.

**\*Isaiah 66:49** Heaven is My throne, and the earth is the footstool of My feet. What kind of house will you build for Me, says Adonai, or what is the place of My rest? Did not My Hand make all these things?

**\*Isaiah 66:2b** But on this one will I look; on him who is poor and of a contrite spirit and who trembles at My word.and