

Korah Rebels

NUMBERS CHAPTERS 16-17



KORAH, WHERE ARE WE GOING NOW?

IF I WERE IN CHARGE, I COULD TELL YOU. BUT MOSES SAYS HE IS OUR LEADER.

WHY AREN'T YOU IN CHARGE, KORAH?



LATER ON ...



WHAT A LONG DAY... SO MUCH HARD WORK...

MOSES THINKS HE CAN MAKE US DO WHATEVER HE WANTS!

DATHAN IS RIGHT. MOSES BROUGHT US OUT HERE TO DIE...

... AND HE MADE HIS BROTHER, AARON, THE HIGH PRIEST!

KORAH IS A RESPECTED LEVITE. WHAT ABOUT HIM?

WE NEED A NEW LEADER AND A NEW PRIEST! WHAT DO YOU THINK, ABIRAM?

KORAH, YOU MUST HELP US AND STAND UP TO MOSES!

OVER 250 CHIEFTAINS WENT WITH KORAH TO SEE MOSES AND AARON.

ALL OF THE ISRAELITES ARE HOLY, AND JEHOVAH IS IN THEIR MIDST.

WHY, THEN, SHOULD YOU EXALT YOURSELVES ABOVE THE CONGREGATION?

KORAH, JEHOVAH HAS GIVEN TO YOUR FAMILY THE PRIVILEGE OF CARRYING THE UTENSILS FOR WORSHIP AT THE TABERNACLE.

MUST YOU MEN ALSO TRY TO BECOME PRIESTS LIKE AARON'S FAMILY?

THANK YOU FOR HELPING US, KORAH. ISRAEL WANTS A STRONG LEADER WHO WON'T LET MOSES TELL US WHAT TO DO.

WE NEED YOU, KORAH. THE PEOPLE NEED YOU.

THE NEXT MORNING, THERE WAS A **TEST** TO SEE WHOM **JEHOVAH** HAD CHOSEN AS HIGH PRIEST.

AARON, KORAH, AND THE 250 MEN **BURNED INCENSE** BEFORE JEHOVAH—SOMETHING THAT ONLY THE **PRIESTS** WERE SUPPOSED TO DO.

THEN MOSES WENT TO THE TENTS OF **DATHAN AND ABIRAM**.

JEHOVAH HAS SAID: "GET AWAY FROM THEIR TENTS!"

IF THESE MEN HAVE TREATED JEHOVAH DISRESPECTFULLY, THE GROUND WILL SWALLOW THEM UP.

THE GROUND IS SHAKING!

WATCH OUT!

IT'S SPLITTING APART!

DATHAN, ABIRAM, AND THEIR HOUSEHOLDS WERE **SWALLOWED UP**.

THEN JEHOVAH SENT A **FIRE** TO DESTROY KORAH AND THE 250 CHIEFTAINS WHO WERE OFFERING INCENSE.

BUT JEHOVAH ACCEPTED THE INCENSE OFFERED BY AARON.

AARON, HOW SAD THAT KORAH AND THE CHIEFTAINS DID NOT RESPECT JEHOVAH!

NOW THE PEOPLE KNOW THAT JEHOVAH HAS CHOSEN YOU AS LEADER...

... AND THAT JEHOVAH HAS CHOSEN YOU AS HIGH PRIEST.

MOSES LED THE ISRAELITES FOR 40 YEARS. AFTER MOSES DIED, JEHOVAH USED JOSHUA TO LEAD THE ISRAELITES INTO THE PROMISED LAND.

WHAT DO WE LEARN FROM THIS STORY?

WHY DID KORAH, DATHAN, ABIRAM, AND THE 250 CHIEFTAINS **DISRESPECT** MOSES AND AARON?

CLUE: NUMBERS 16:8-11; GALATIANS 5:26.

WHOM DOES JEHOVAH WANT **YOU** TO RESPECT?

CLUE: COLOSSIANS 3:20; 1 TIMOTHY 5:17; 1 PETER 2:17.

IF YOU HONOR AND RESPECT OTHERS, HOW WILL JEHOVAH **BLESS YOU**?

CLUE: DEUTERONOMY 5:16.