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Rewarded with service

- Separate even in census
- Appointed over tabernacle, etc.
- Camp around tabernacle
- Three-fold service: 1. the priesthood, 2. the tabernacle, 3. the congregation
- Chosen instead of the firstborn

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Gen.4:1

Cain

Seth

Gen.21:9-10

Ishmael

Isaac

Gen.25:25

Esau

Jacob

Gen.29:32

Reuben

Joseph

Gen.38:7

Er

Judah (?)

Ex.13:2

Israel's Firstborn

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Num.3:2

Nadab

Eleazar

1Sam.16:6

Eliab

David

2Sam.3:2

Amnon

Solomon

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The Nature of the Service – Numbers 3

Gershon

Eliasaph - 7500

v.25 – tent with covering, door for tabernacle screen

v.26 – screen and hangings with chords for court

Kohath

Elizaphan - 8600

v.31 – ark, table, lampstand, altars, utensils, the screen

v.32 – Eleazar made chief – kept charge of sanctuary

Merari

Zuriel - 6200

v.36 – boards, bars, pillars, sockets, etc. of tabernacle

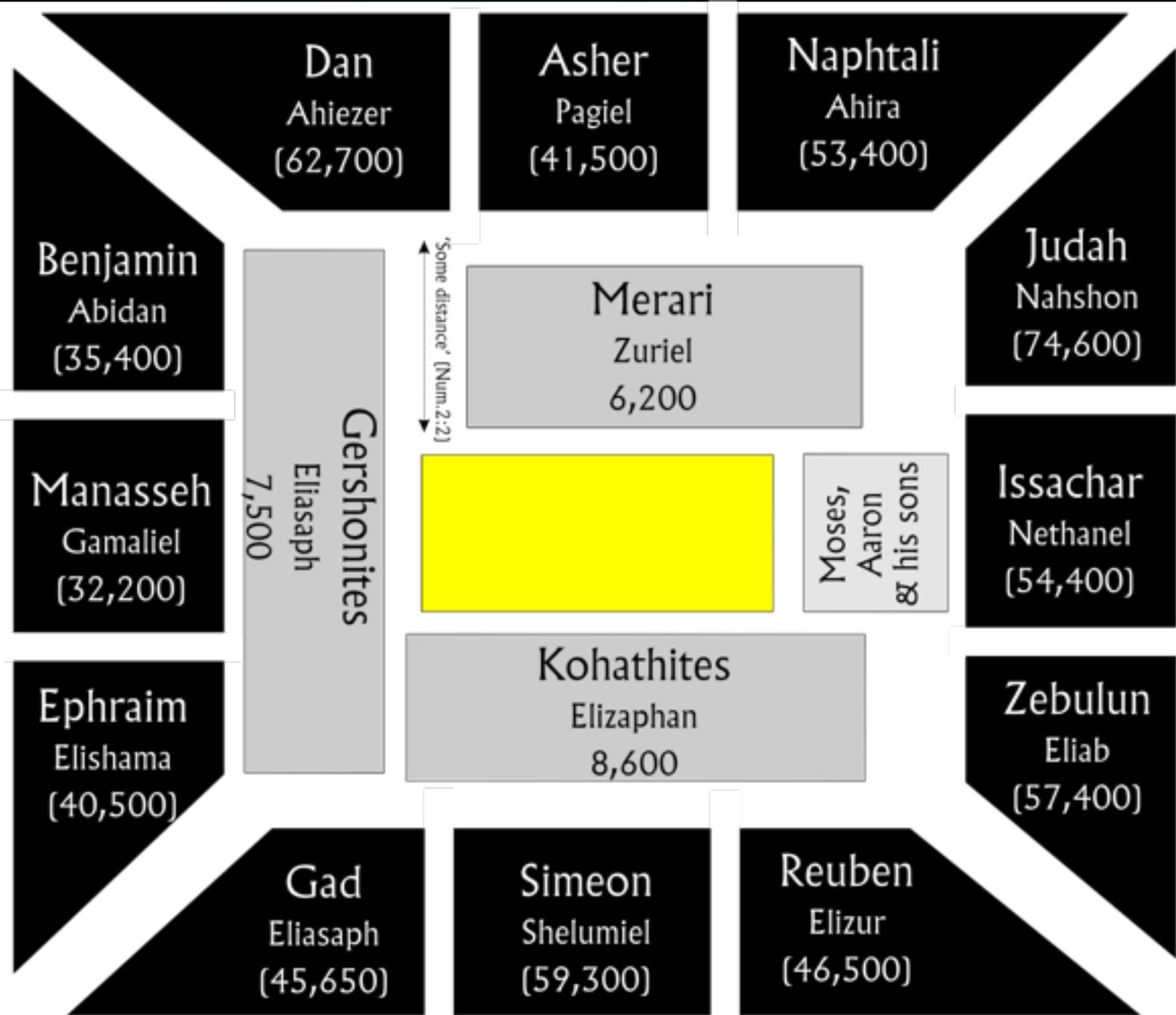
v.37 – pillars of court, sockets, pegs, chords

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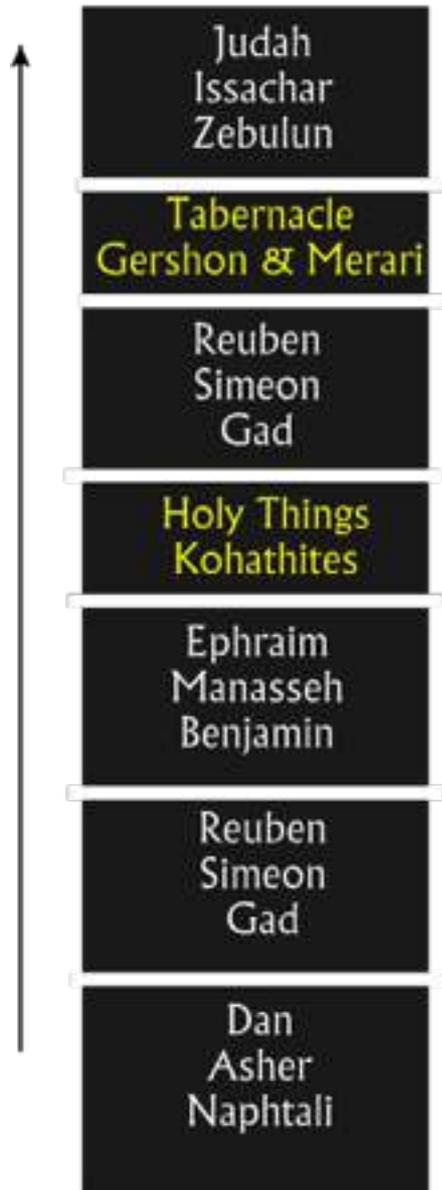


'These shall break camp first' (Num.2:9)
 'The East side, toward the rising of the sun' (Num.2:3)

'They shall be the second to break camp' (Num.2:16)



Breaking Camp Numbers 2, 10



'The tabernacle would be prepared for their arrival' (10:21)

'Thus was the order of march of the children of Israel, according to their armies...'
Num.10:28

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The Nature of the Service

‘From this and the next chapter, we see the **very severe labour which the Levites were to perform**, while the journeyings of the Israelites lasted. When we consider, that there was not less than **14 tons 266 lbs. of metal** employed in the tabernacle (see note on Ex. 38:24), besides the **immense weight of the skins, hangings, cords, boards, and posts**, we shall find it was no easy matter to transport this moveable temple from place to place.’ - Treasury of Scriptural Knowledge

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Korah and Apostasy

Num.16	Korah & Co.	Apostasy	V.
v.2	Rose up against Moses	'opposes and exalts himself'	2Thess.2:4
v.9-10	Total discontent	'some will depart'	1Tim.4:1
v.10	Seek the priesthood	'sits as God in the Temple'	2Thess.2:4
v.22	Korah sinned	'the man of sin'	2Thess.2:3
v.26	Get away from tents	'Come out of her'	Rev.18:4

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Sons of Korah

- 1 Chron.6:37 – Leaders in singing
- 1 Chron.9:19 – Tabernacle Gatekeepers
- 1 Chron.12:6 – Mighty men in army

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