

Numbers 7:1-88 **Offerings for Tabernacle Service**

Time of the Offerings for Tabernacle Service

¹ Now it came to pass, when Moses had finished setting up the tabernacle, that he anointed it and consecrated it and all its furnishings, and the altar and all its utensils; so he anointed them and sanctified them.

Carts and Oxen for Tabernacle Service

² Then the leaders of Israel, the heads of their fathers' houses, who were the leaders of the tribes and over those who were numbered, made an offering. ³ And they brought their offering before the LORD, six covered carts and twelve oxen, a cart for every two of the leaders, and for each one an ox; and they presented them before the tabernacle.

Acceptance and Distribution of the Carts and Oxen

⁴ Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, ⁵ "Accept these from them, that they may be used in doing the work of the tabernacle of meeting; and you shall give them to the Levites, to every man according to his service." ⁶ So Moses took the carts and the oxen, and gave them to the Levites.

⁷ Two carts and four oxen he gave to the sons of Gershon, according to their service; ⁸ and four carts and eight oxen he gave to the sons of Merari, according to their service, under the hand of Ithamar the son of Aaron the priest. ⁹ But to the sons of Kohath he gave none, because theirs was the service of the holy things, which they carried on their shoulders.

Dedication Offerings by Tribe at Command of Yehowah

¹⁰ Now the leaders offered the dedication offering for the altar when it was anointed; so the leaders offered their offering before the altar. ¹¹ For the LORD said to Moses, "They shall offer their offering, one leader each day, for the dedication of the altar."

Day 1 - Judah

¹² And the one who offered his offering on the first day was Nahshon the son of Amminadab, from the tribe of Judah. ¹³ His offering was one silver platter, the weight of which was one hundred and thirty shekels, and one silver bowl of seventy shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them full of fine flour mixed with oil as a grain offering; ¹⁴ one gold pan of ten shekels, full of incense; ¹⁵ one young bull, one ram, and one male lamb in its first year, as a burnt offering; ¹⁶ one kid of the goats as a sin offering; ¹⁷ and for the sacrifice of peace offerings: two oxen, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs in their first year. This was the offering of Nahshon the son of Amminadab.

Day 2 - Issachar

¹⁸ On the second day Nethanel the son of Zuar, leader of Issachar, presented an offering. ¹⁹ For his offering he offered one silver platter, the weight of which was one hundred and thirty shekels, and one silver bowl of seventy shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them full of fine flour mixed with oil as a grain offering; ²⁰ one gold pan of ten shekels, full of incense; ²¹ one young bull, one ram, and one male lamb in its first year, as a burnt offering; ²² one kid of the goats as a sin offering; ²³ and as the sacrifice of peace offerings: two oxen, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs in their first year. This was the offering of Nethanel the son of Zuar.

Day 3 - Zebulun

24 On the third day Eliab the son of Helon, leader of the children of Zebulun, presented an offering. 25 His offering was one silver platter, the weight of which was one hundred and thirty shekels, and one silver bowl of seventy shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them full of fine flour mixed with oil as a grain offering; 26 one gold pan of ten shekels, full of incense; 27 one young bull, one ram, and one male lamb in its first year, as a burnt offering; 28 one kid of the goats as a sin offering; 29 and for the sacrifice of peace offerings: two oxen, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs in their first year. This was the offering of Eliab the son of Helon.

Day 4 - Reuben

30 On the fourth day Elizur the son of Shedeur, leader of the children of Reuben, presented an offering. 31 His offering was one silver platter, the weight of which was one hundred and thirty shekels, and one silver bowl of seventy shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them full of fine flour mixed with oil as a grain offering; 32 one gold pan of ten shekels, full of incense; 33 one young bull, one ram, and one male lamb in its first year, as a burnt offering; 34 one kid of the goats as a sin offering; 35 and as the sacrifice of peace offerings: two oxen, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs in their first year. This was the offering of Elizur the son of Shedeur.

Day 5 - Simeon

36 On the fifth day Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai, leader of the children of Simeon, presented an offering. 37 His offering was one silver platter, the weight of which was one hundred and thirty shekels, and one silver bowl of seventy shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them full of fine flour mixed with oil as a grain offering; 38 one gold pan of ten shekels, full of incense; 39 one young bull, one ram, and one male lamb in its first year, as a burnt offering; 40 one kid of the goats as a sin offering; 41 and as the sacrifice of peace offerings: two oxen, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs in their first year. This was the offering of Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai.

Day 6 - Gad

42 On the sixth day Eliasaph the son of Deuel, leader of the children of Gad, presented an offering. 43 His offering was one silver platter, the weight of which was one hundred and thirty shekels, and one silver bowl of seventy shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them full of fine flour mixed with oil as a grain offering; 44 one gold pan of ten shekels, full of incense; 45 one young bull, one ram, and one male lamb in its first year, as a burnt offering; 46 one kid of the goats as a sin offering; 47 and as the sacrifice of peace offerings: two oxen, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs in their first year. This was the offering of Eliasaph the son of Deuel.

Day 7 - Ephraim

48 On the seventh day Elishama the son of Ammihud, leader of the children of Ephraim, presented an offering. 49 His offering was one silver platter, the weight of which was one hundred and thirty shekels, and one silver bowl of seventy shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them full of fine flour mixed with oil as a grain offering; 50 one gold pan of ten shekels, full of incense; 51 one young bull, one ram, and one male lamb in its first year, as a burnt offering; 52 one kid of the goats as a sin offering; 53 and as the sacrifice of peace offerings: two oxen, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs in their first year. This was the offering of Elishama the son of Ammihud.

Day 8 - Manasseh

⁵⁴ On the eighth day Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur, leader of the children of Manasseh, presented an offering. ⁵⁵ His offering was one silver platter, the weight of which was one hundred and thirty shekels, and one silver bowl of seventy shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them full of fine flour mixed with oil as a grain offering; ⁵⁶ one gold pan of ten shekels, full of incense; ⁵⁷ one young bull, one ram, and one male lamb in its first year, as a burnt offering; ⁵⁸ one kid of the goats as a sin offering; ⁵⁹ and as the sacrifice of peace offerings: two oxen, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs in their first year. This was the offering of Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur.

Day 9 - Benjamin

⁶⁰ On the ninth day Abidan the son of Gideoni, leader of the children of Benjamin, presented an offering. ⁶¹ His offering was one silver platter, the weight of which was one hundred and thirty shekels, and one silver bowl of seventy shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them full of fine flour mixed with oil as a grain offering; ⁶² one gold pan of ten shekels, full of incense; ⁶³ one young bull, one ram, and one male lamb in its first year, as a burnt offering; ⁶⁴ one kid of the goats as a sin offering; ⁶⁵ and as the sacrifice of peace offerings: two oxen, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs in their first year. This was the offering of Abidan the son of Gideoni.

Day 10 - Dan

⁶⁶ On the tenth day Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai, leader of the children of Dan, presented an offering. ⁶⁷ His offering was one silver platter, the weight of which was one hundred and thirty shekels, and one silver bowl of seventy shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them full of fine flour mixed with oil as a grain offering; ⁶⁸ one gold pan of ten shekels, full of incense; ⁶⁹ one young bull, one ram, and one male lamb in its first year, as a burnt offering; ⁷⁰ one kid of the goats as a sin offering; ⁷¹ and as the sacrifice of peace offerings: two oxen, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs in their first year. This was the offering of Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.

Day 11 - Asher

⁷² On the eleventh day Pagiél the son of Ocran, leader of the children of Asher, presented an offering. ⁷³ His offering was one silver platter, the weight of which was one hundred and thirty shekels, and one silver bowl of seventy shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them full of fine flour mixed with oil as a grain offering; ⁷⁴ one gold pan of ten shekels, full of incense; ⁷⁵ one young bull, one ram, and one male lamb in its first year, as a burnt offering; ⁷⁶ one kid of the goats as a sin offering; ⁷⁷ and as the sacrifice of peace offerings: two oxen, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs in their first year. This was the offering of Pagiél the son of Ocran.

Day 12 - Naphtali

⁷⁸ On the twelfth day Ahira the son of Enan, leader of the children of Naphtali, presented an offering. ⁷⁹ His offering was one silver platter, the weight of which was one hundred and thirty shekels, and one silver bowl of seventy shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them full of fine flour mixed with oil as a grain offering; ⁸⁰ one gold pan of ten shekels, full of incense; ⁸¹ one young bull, one ram, and one male lamb in its first year, as a burnt offering; ⁸² one kid of the goats as a sin offering; ⁸³ and as the sacrifice of peace offerings: two oxen, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs in their first year. This was the offering of Ahira the son of Enan.

Sum of the Dedication Offerings for the Altar

84 This was the dedication offering for the altar from the leaders of Israel, when it was anointed: twelve silver platters, twelve silver bowls, and twelve gold pans. 85 Each silver platter weighed one hundred and thirty shekels and each bowl seventy shekels. All the silver of the vessels weighed two thousand four hundred shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary. 86 The twelve gold pans full of incense weighed ten shekels apiece, according to the shekel of the sanctuary; all the gold of the pans weighed one hundred and twenty shekels. 87 All the oxen for the burnt offering were twelve young bulls, the rams twelve, the male lambs in their first year twelve, with their grain offering, and the kids of the goats as a sin offering twelve. 88 And all the oxen for the sacrifice of peace offerings were twenty-four bulls, the rams sixty, the male goats sixty, and the lambs in their first year sixty. This was the dedication offering for the altar after it was anointed. NKJV

Facts Revealed:

- ✧ Time was when Moses finished setting up the Tabernacle at Mount Sinai (Horeb), after it was anointed and sanctified, and all its parts furniture and utensils were anointed with oil.
- ✧ The offerings for Tabernacle transportation service were:
 - ◇ Six covered carts, two tribes for each cart.
 - ◇ Twelve Oxen, one ox from each tribe.
 - ◇ They brought them before the Tabernacle and they were accepted.
 - ◇ They were given to the Levites who were assigned to transport the heavy articles of the Tabernacle structure.
 - ◇ 2 Carts and 4 Oxen to the sons of Gershon for their service.
 - ◇ 4 Carts and 8 Oxen to the sons of Merari for their service.
 - ◇ Ithamar the son of Aaron the Priest was responsible to oversee their use.
 - ◇ 0 Carts and 0 Oxen were given to the sons of Kohath because the furniture they were responsible to transport was to be carried on their shoulders.
- ✧ Each Tribe brought the Dedication Offering for the Altar on their specified day:
 - ◇ The Dedication Offering from each tribe was:
 - 1 Silver Platter weighing 130 shekels.
 - 1 Silver Bowl weighing 70 shekels.
 - Each Platter and Bowl was full of fine flour mixed with oil as a Grain Offering.
 - 1 Gold Pan weighing 10 shekels, full of incense.
 - 1 young Bull, 1 ram, and 1 male lamb in its first year as a Burnt Offering.
 - 1 kid of the goats as a Sin Offering.
 - 2 oxen, 5 rams, 5 male goats, 5 male lambs in their first year as a Peace Offering.
- ✧ The offerings were brought; one tribe for each of 12 days:
 - ◇ Day 1 – Judah
 - ◇ Day 2 – Issachar
 - ◇ Day 3 – Zebulun
 - ◇ Day 4 – Reuben
 - ◇ Day 5 – Simeon
 - ◇ Day 6 – Gad
 - ◇ Day 7 – Ephraim
 - ◇ Day 8 – Manasseh
 - ◇ Day 9 – Benjamin
 - ◇ Day 10 – Dan
 - ◇ Day 11 – Asher
 - ◇ Day 12 – Naphtali
- ✧ Total sum of the offerings for the Dedication of the Altar:

- ✧ 12 Silver Platters weighing 130 shekels each, full of fine flour mixed with oil.
- ✧ 12 Silver Bowls weighing 70 shekels each, full of fine flour mixed with oil.
- ✧ Total weight of Silver was 2,400 shekels
- ✧ 12 Gold Pans weighing 10 shekels each, full of Incense.
- ✧ Total weight of Gold was 120 shekels.
- ✧ For the Burnt Offerings, 12 young Bulls, 12 rams, 12 male lambs of the first year with their Grain Offerings.
- ✧ For the Sin Offerings, 12 kids of the goats.
- ✧ For the Peace Offerings, 24 bulls, 60 rams, 60 mail goats, 60 lambs of the first year.