

**#574 Ornan's Threshingfloor – Men of War and the House of God, part 3, Satan provoked David to number the Men of War**

**1 Chronicles 17.** In 1 Chronicles 17:10-12, God promised King David that He would (a) subdue all of David's enemies (the Men of War theme), and furthermore that (b) a House of God would be built (the House of God theme), though it would be built by the son of David.

**1 Chronicles 18-20.** There is a continuation of the connection between Men of War and the House of God in 1 Chronicles chapters 18-20. The Lord gave David victory everywhere he went (1 Chronicles 18:6). The gold, silver, and bronze of defeated enemy peoples would help to build the House of God (1 Chronicles 18:7-11). Some of the defeated peoples themselves were appointed to slavery (1 Chronicles 20:3), and some were used to prepare for the building of the Temple, the House of God (1 Chronicles 22:2).

**1 Chronicles 21.** Then, in 1 Chronicles 21, it is seen that Satan provoked David to number the fighting Men of War of Israel.

**1 Chronicles 21:1-14 (KJV) And SATAN STOOD UP AGAINST ISRAEL, AND PROVOKED DAVID TO NUMBER ISRAEL.**

*2 And David said to Joab and to the rulers of the people, Go, number Israel from Beersheba even to Dan; and bring the number of them to me, that I may know it.*

*3 And Joab answered, The LORD make his people an hundred times so many more as they be: but, my lord the king, are they not all my lord's servants? why then doth my lord require this thing? why will he be a cause of trespass to Israel?*

*4 Nevertheless the king's word prevailed against Joab. Wherefore Joab departed, and went throughout all Israel, and came to Jerusalem.*

*5 And Joab gave the sum of the number of the people unto David. And all they of Israel were a thousand thousand and an hundred thousand **MEN THAT DREW SWORD**: and Judah was four hundred threescore and ten thousand **MEN THAT DREW SWORD**.*

*6 But Levi and Benjamin counted he not among them: for the king's word was abominable to Joab.*

*7 And God was displeased with this thing; therefore he smote Israel.*

*8 And David said unto God, I have sinned greatly, because I have done this thing: but now, I beseech thee, do away the iniquity of thy servant; for I have done very foolishly.*

*9 And the LORD spake unto Gad, David's seer, saying,*



David orders Israel numbered

10 Go and tell David, saying, Thus saith the LORD, I offer thee three things: choose thee one of them, that I may do it unto thee.

11 So Gad came to David, and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD, Choose thee

12 Either three years' famine; or three months to be destroyed before thy foes, while that the sword of thine enemies overtaketh thee; or else three days the sword of the LORD, even the pestilence, in the land, and the angel of the LORD destroying throughout all the coasts of Israel. Now therefore advise thyself what word I shall bring again to him that sent me.

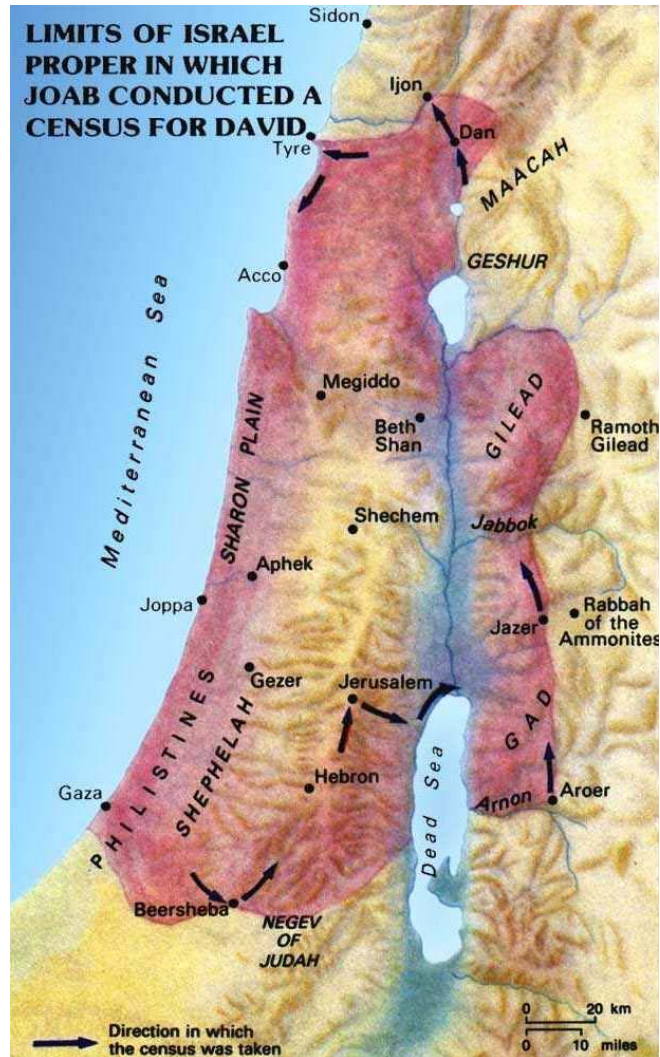
13 And David said unto Gad, I am in a great strait: let me fall now into the hand of the LORD; for very great are his mercies: but let me not fall into the hand of man.

14 So the LORD sent pestilence upon Israel: and there fell of Israel seventy thousand men.

[The story is continued in the next Unsealing.]

**Key Understanding:** *The Lord considered it a sin when David numbered the men of war. The Lord had ordained that David be a Man of War of great faith, yet the Lord considered it a grievous sin when David numbered the Men of War of Israel. In this particular case, note how directly the Lord ties the Satanic realm to Men of War, for it is clear that . . .*

**1 Chronicles 21:1 (KJV) . . . SATAN STOOD UP AGAINST ISRAEL, AND PROVOKED DAVID TO NUMBER [the Men of War of] ISRAEL.**



That is important to note, for when the Man of War theme comes up in the book of Revelation, the demonic realm is also tied to Men of War. [However, the root of it all is still the 'Blair House' Sword building the House of God vs. the Cross building the House of God.]

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