Numbers Chapter 8 Student

Contents: Cleansing of the Levites for the ministry of the tabernacle.

Characters: GOD, Moses, Aaron.

Conclusion: All Christians, and especially ministers of the Gospel, should cleanse themselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, with a life's goal to perfect holiness in the fear of the *LORD*. Those who bear the sacred vessels of the *LORD* must be clean.

Key Word: Cleanse, 6.

Strong Verses: 21, 22.

Striking Facts: It is a great kindness to the Church that **GOD** has appointed overseers to go before the people in the things of **GOD** and religious worship. When **CHRIST** ascended, **HE** supplied the gifts for **HIS** work (Ephesians 4:8-12). This is referred to as the "Five-Fold" ministry.

Questions:

- 1. What must the Levites do to be "cleansed ceremonially"?
- 2. What action must the "nation" do in the cleansing process?
- 3. What is the spiritual action which is accomplished in Question 2 above?
- 4. What is the working lifetime of the Levites?

Bonus Question: Should New Testament ministers retire? Why/Why not?