# **Horeb Timeline**

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## Events in the Book of Exodus

# Events in the Book of Leviticus Events in the Book of Numbers

The Covenant and the Tabernacle

Definition and Demonstration of Holiness

Something less than 6 months - 1:7:x through 1:12:30 Construction of the Tabernacle and its furniture, preparing

priests' garments Ex35: - 39:

Military training for fighting men Nm1:2, 2:1-31

Preparation for the March

#### The third day 1:3:x+v

YHWH descends on the mountain with fire and smoke, and speaks to the people Ex19:16-20

#### Third Month unknown day 1:3:x

Israelites arrive at Mount Sinai Ex19:1

Moses and Joshua go up the mountains to receive the stone tablets and other instructions (they are on the mountain

days) Ex24:12-18

YHWH speaks the ten commandments: in fear the people ask Moses to speak with YHWH and NOT have YHWH speak

directly Ex20:1-21

either 40 days or 47

On the mountain, they receive the instructions for the construction of the Tabernacle and its furniture, the priests' garments, and the consecration of the priests

Ex25:,26:,27,28:,29,30,31:

This is probably into the 5th month - 1:5:x

1:6:x Moses spends 40 days in fasting on the mountain; YHWH commits to the **Covenant** of Performance; Moses returns with his face shining Ex34:10-35

and goes up the

mountain; YHWH's

personal theophany

for Moses on the

mountain Ex34:1-9

YHWH's covenant

Ex34:10-27

Into the 6th Month

2:1:1

Erection of the Tabernacle complete; it is made Holy by the presence of YHWH Ex40:1-38, Nm9:15-23

2:1:1 through 2:1:7 Sanctification and Consecration of priests

Lv8:1-36

through 2:1:12 Offerings of the twelve tribal chiefs

Nm7:1-89

2:1:1

2:1:8 The first public worship using the Tabernacle – formal renewal of Sinai Covenant Lv9:1-24

2:1:14 Passover celebrated Nm9:1-5

> 2:2:1 The First Census Nm1:1-54

> > 2:2:14 Second Passover celebrated Nm9:6-14

> > > 2:2:20 The cloud lifts from the Tabernacle and the Israelites set out on the march Nm10:11-12

The people are to take two days to clean up Ex19:9-10, 14-15

Moses comes down to the "elders" and gives them YHWH's proposition, they take it to the people, "all the people" agree to the covenant Ex19:7-8

Moses goes up the mountain and YHWH provides the proposition of the covenant Ex19:3-6

Moses, Aaron, Nadab. Abihu and 70 elders participate in the covenant confirmation ceremony (this takes several days) Ex24:1-11

Moses receives the Covenant Code from YHWH Ex20:22-26, 21:, 22:, 23:, 24:1-4,7

While they are on the mountain, the people prevailed upon Aaron to construct the **golden** calf Ex32:1-29

Moses intercedes for the people; YHWH acquiesces and gives the command to move on from Sinai Ex:32:30-35, 33:1-6

> In the temporary Tent of Meeting, Moses requests deeper understanding of God's way and that YHWH will be present as they journey Ex33:7-23

Moses cuts new tablets During the construction of the Tabernacle, Moses in the temporary Tent of Meeting, receives from YHWH the instructions for the five principle offerings, Lv1:3 through 7:38: this instruction is required before the priests can perform the sanctification and consecration ceremony

and the covenant renewal

ceremony

The deaths of Nadab and Abihu: object lesson - the unclean making contact with the Holy Lv10:1-20

> The instruction for the Day of Atonement is given Lv16:1-34

The Tabernacle is taken down for the first time Nm10:17-28

Instructions for the two silver trumpets Nm10:1-10

Instructions for the service of the Levites Nm3:5-51, 8:5-26

Instructions for packing the Tabernacle to move Nm4:1-49

Instructions for the placement of the tribes in camp and on the march Nm2:1-34

Other Instructions: Leviticus chapters 11 through 15, and 17 through 24 contain various instructions on Holiness. The themes are carefully integrated into the flow of the book. This is likely a literary device. Most likely these instructions were received by Moses later in the wilderness period and incorporated into the book as the material was being shaped into its current form. This also applies to Numbers chapters 5 and 6. Leviticus chapter 25 begins with a note that the material was given at Mount Sinai. Leviticus chapter 26 may have been given as part of the Covenant Code; and. Leviticus chapter 27 was likely given in the Tent of Meeting during the construction of the Tabernacle: both chapters end with a note that the material was given at Mount Sinai.

**Date Formula:** year:month:day Example, 1:1:10 is year one of Exodus, month 1 (Abib), day 10

# Events in the Book of Leviticus

### **Definition and Demonstration of Holiness**

