

## 12 Tribes

Son (Tribe)	Mother	Jacob's Blessing Genesis 49	# Went to Egypt – Gen. 46	# out of Egypt Num. 1	# Entering Promised Land Num. 26
Reuben	Leah	<sup>3</sup> "Reuben, you are my firstborn; My might and the beginning of my strength, Preeminent in dignity and preeminent in power. <sup>4</sup> "Uncontrolled as water, you shall not have preeminence, Because you went up to your father's bed; Then you defiled <i>it</i> — he went up to my couch.	5	46,500	43,730
Simeon	Leah	"Simeon and Levi are brothers; Their swords are implements of violence. <sup>6</sup> "Let my soul not enter into their council; Let not my glory be united with their assembly; Because in their anger they slew men, And in their self-will they lamed oxen. <sup>7</sup> "Cursed be their anger, for it is fierce; And their wrath, for it is cruel. I will disperse them in Jacob, And scatter them in Israel.	7	59,300	22,200
Levi	Leah	Same as above	4	Not Counted	Not Counted
Judah	Leah	"Judah, your brothers shall praise you; Your hand shall be on the neck of your enemies; Your father's sons shall bow down to you. <sup>9</sup> "Judah is a lion's whelp; From the prey, my son, you have gone up. He couches, he lies down as a lion, And as a lion, who dares rouse him up? <sup>10</sup> "The scepter shall not depart from Judah, Nor the ruler's staff from between his feet, Until Shiloh comes, And to him <i>shall be</i> the obedience of the peoples. <sup>11</sup> "He ties <i>his</i> foal to the vine, And his donkey's colt to the choice vine; He washes his garments in wine, And his robes in the blood of grapes. <sup>12</sup> "His eyes are dull from wine, And his teeth white from milk.	6	74,600	76,500
Zebulun	Leah	"Zebulun will dwell at the seashore; And he <i>shall be</i> a haven for ships, And his flank <i>shall be</i> toward Sidon.	4	57,400	60,500
Issachar	Leah	"Issachar is a strong donkey, Lying down between the sheepfolds. <sup>15</sup> "When he saw that a resting place was good And that the land was pleasant, He bowed his shoulder to bear <i>burdens</i> , And became a slave at forced labor.	5	54,400	64,300

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Dan	Bilhah	“Dan shall judge his people, As one of the tribes of Israel. <sup>17</sup> “Dan shall be a serpent in the way, A horned snake in the path, That bites the horse's heels, So that his rider falls backward. <sup>18</sup> “For Your salvation I wait, O Lord.	2	62,700	64,400
Naphtali	Bilhah	“Naphtali is a doe let loose, He gives beautiful words.	5	53,400	45,400
Gad	Zilpah	“As for Gad, raiders shall raid him, But he will raid <i>at</i> their heels.	8	45,650	40,500
Asher	Zilpah	“As for Asher, his food shall be rich, And he will yield royal dainties.	8	41,500	53,400
Joseph (Ephraim & Manasseh)	Rachel	“Joseph is a fruitful bough, A fruitful bough by a spring; <i>Its</i> branches run over a wall. <sup>23</sup> “The archers bitterly attacked him, And shot <i>at him</i> and harassed him; <sup>24</sup> But his bow remained firm, And his arms were agile, From the hands of the Mighty One of Jacob (From there is the Shepherd, the Stone of Israel), <sup>25</sup> From the God of your father who helps you, And by the Almighty who blesses you <i>With</i> blessings of heaven above, Blessings of the deep that lies beneath, Blessings of the breasts and of the womb. <sup>26</sup> “The blessings of your father Have surpassed the blessings of my ancestors Up to the utmost bound of the everlasting hills; May they be on the head of Joseph, And on the crown of the head of the one distinguished among his brothers.	3	40,500 32,200	32,500 52,700
Benjamin	Rachel	“Benjamin is a ravenous wolf; In the morning he devours the prey, And in the evening he divides the spoil.”	11	35,400	45,600