

# A Path Less Travelled

Numbers 6

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- I. God issues an open invitation to the Nazarite vow (Num 6:1-8)
  - A. The Holy God in the center of His people (Num 2:17)
  - B. Israel follows the Holy God (Lev 19:2)
    1. God sets aside priests and Levites (Num 3-4)
    2. God invites all to the Nazarite vow (Num 6:1-2)
  - C. Old Testament Nazarite vow – who Israel could be (6:2-8)
    1. The sinful context
    2. The spiritual goal (6:2,8)
3. The separation guidelines (6:3-7)
  - a. Abstain from wine products (6:3-4)
  - b. Abstain from cutting hair (6:5)
  - c. Abstain from contact with dead (6:6-7)
- D. Two Old Testament examples of Nazarite vow
  1. Samson (Judges 13:5)
  2. Samuel (1 Sam 1:11)
- II. The New Testament Nazarite – who we are in Christ
  - A. The final Nazarite
  - B. The followers of Christ (Rom 12:1-2)

## Discussion Questions

1. Of the 3 vows and applications, which would be most challenging for you as a follower of Christ, and why? (1) abstaining from wine / pleasures of life; (2) abstaining from cutting of hair / preoccupation of appearances; (3) not touching the dead / priority of family obligations.
2. Do you believe living a life of holiness is possible today? As a New Testament Nazarite, what would be your first step today toward a life of holiness?

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