

# Followers: Be Counted and Be Holy

Numbers 1-2  
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## I. Stand up and be counted (1:1-44)

A. The Lord commands the count – the census (1:1-2a)

B. The census fulfills the promise to Abraham (Gen 12:1-2)

C. Practical purpose of census – prepare for the battle (1:2-4)

1. First census (Exodus 38:21-31)

2. Second census (Numbers 1:2-4,17-44)

D. Application for New Testament Christians

## B. Proper place with each other (2:1-2)

1. Placement of the 12 tribes (2:3-31)

a. East

b. South – Reuben (2:10)

c. Middle – Levites (2:17)

d. West – Ephraim (2:18)

e. North – Daniel (2:25), Asher

(2:27), Naphtali (2:29)

C. Application for followers of Christ

1. Christians are God's priests:

Temple of the Holy Spirit (1 Peter 2:9; 1 Cor 6:19)

2. Portraits of Grace

## II. Stand together in the right place (1:47-2:34)

A. Proper place of God (1:53, 2:2,17)

1. Access to God (2:21)

2. Awe of God (1:53)

## Discussion Questions

1. What is your first response when you hear God's Word say, "stand up and be counted"? What could be your first step in standing up & being counted?
2. In making sure God is in His proper place, identify which phrase encourages or challenges you the most and why: (a) that you have access to God; or (b) you need to be in awe of God?

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