
NUMBERS 29:1 “In the seventh month, on the first day of the month, you shall have a holy convocation; you shall do no regular work: it is a day of blowing of trumpets to you.

The feast of trumpets on the first day of the seventh month, and its sacrifices, Num 29:1-6. The feast of expiation, or annual atonement, on the tenth day of the same month, with its sacrifices, Num 29:7-11. The feast of tabernacles, held on the fifteenth day of the same month, with its eight days' offerings, Num 29:12. The offerings of the first day, thirteen bullocks, two rams, fourteen lambs, and one kid, Num 29:13-16. The offerings of the second day, twelve bullocks, two rams, fourteen lambs, and one kid, Num 29:17-19. The offerings of the third day, eleven bullocks; the rest as before, Num 29:20-22. The offerings of the fourth day, ten bullocks; the rest as before, Num 29:23-25. The offerings of the fifth day, nine bullocks, etc., Num 29:26-28. The offerings of the sixth day, eight bullocks, etc., Num 29:29-31. The offerings of the seventh day, seven bullocks, etc., Num 29:32-34. The offerings of the eighth day, one bullock, one ram, seven lambs, and one goat, Num 29:35-38. These sacrifices to be offered, and feasts to be kept, besides vows, freewill-offerings, etc., etc., Num 29:39. Moses announces all these things to the people, Num 29:40.

Verse 1

And in the seventh month, etc. - This was the beginning of their civil year, and was a time of great festivity, and was ushered in by the blowing of trumpets. It answers to a part of our September. In imitation of the Jews different nations began their new year with sacrifices and festivity. The ancient Egyptians did so; and the Persians still celebrate their nawi rooz, or new year's day, which they hold on the vernal equinox. The first day of the year is generally a time of festivity in all civilized nations. On this day the Israelites offered one young bullock, one ram, seven lambs, and a kid, for a sin-offering, besides minchahs or meat-offerings.

NUMBERS 29:2 You shall offer a burnt offering for a pleasant aroma to the LORD: one young bull, one ram, seven male lambs a year old without defect;

NUMBERS 29:3 and their meal offering, fine flour mixed with oil, three tenth parts for the bull, two tenth parts for the ram,

NUMBERS 29:4 and one tenth part for every lamb of the seven lambs;

NUMBERS 29:5 and one male goat for a sin offering, to make atonement for you;

NUMBERS 29:6 besides the burnt offering of the new moon, and its meal offering, and the continual burnt offering and its meal offering, and their drink offerings, according to their ordinance, for a pleasant aroma, an offering made by fire to the LORD.

NUMBERS 29:7 “On the tenth day of this seventh month you shall have a holy convocation. You shall afflict your souls. You shall do no kind of work;

Verse 7

On the tenth day - See the notes on Lev 16:29, and Lev 23:24 (note).

NUMBERS 29:8 but you shall offer a burnt offering to the LORD for a pleasant aroma: one young bull, one ram, seven male lambs a year old; all without defect;

NUMBERS 29:9 and their meal offering, fine flour mixed with oil, three tenth parts for the bull, two tenth parts for the one ram,

NUMBERS 29:10 a tenth part for every lamb of the seven lambs:

NUMBERS 29:11 one male goat for a sin offering; besides the sin offering of atonement, and the continual burnt offering, and its meal offering, and their drink offerings.

NUMBERS 29:12 "On the fifteenth day of the seventh month you shall have a holy convocation. You shall do no regular work. You shall keep a feast to the LORD seven days.

Verse 12

On the fifteenth day of the seventh month - On this day there was to be a solemn assembly, and for seven days sacrifices were to be offered; on the first day thirteen young bullocks, two rams, and fourteen lambs. On each succeeding day one bullock less, till on the seventh day there were only seven, making in all seventy. What an expensive service! How should we magnify God for being delivered from it! Yet these were all the taxes they had to pay. At the public charge there were annually offered to God, independently of trespass-offerings and voluntary vows, fifteen goats, twenty-one kids, seventy-two rams, one hundred and thirty-two bullocks, and eleven hundred and one lambs! But how little is all this when compared with the lambs slain every year at the passover, which amounted in one year to the immense number of 255,600 slain in the temple itself, which was the answer that Cestius, the Roman general, received when he asked the priests how many persons had come to Jerusalem at their annual festivals; the priests, numbering the people by the lambs that had been slain, said, "twenty-five myriads, five thousand and six hundred." - For an account of the feast of tabernacles, see on Lev 23:34 (note).

NUMBERS 29:13 You shall offer a burnt offering, an offering made by fire, of a pleasant aroma to the LORD: thirteen young bulls, two rams, fourteen male lambs a year old; all without defect;

NUMBERS 29:14 and their meal offering, fine flour mixed with oil, three tenth parts for every bull of the thirteen bulls, two tenth parts for each ram of the two rams,

NUMBERS 29:15 and a tenth part for every lamb of the fourteen lambs;

NUMBERS 29:16 and one male goat for a sin offering, besides the continual burnt offering, its meal offering, and its drink offering.

NUMBERS 29:17 "On the second day you shall offer twelve young bulls, two rams, fourteen male lambs a year old without defect;

NUMBERS 29:18 and their meal offering and their drink offerings for the bulls, for the rams, and for the lambs, according to their number, after the ordinance;

NUMBERS 29:19 and one male goat for a sin offering; besides the continual burnt offering, with its meal offering and their drink offerings.

NUMBERS 29:20 ““On the third day eleven bulls, two rams, fourteen male lambs a year old without defect;

NUMBERS 29:21 and their meal offering and their drink offerings for the bulls, for the rams, and for the lambs, according to their number, after the ordinance;

NUMBERS 29:22 and one male goat for a sin offering; besides the continual burnt offering, and its meal offering, and its drink offering.

NUMBERS 29:23 ““On the fourth day ten bulls, two rams, fourteen male lambs a year old without defect;

NUMBERS 29:24 their meal offering and their drink offerings for the bulls, for the rams, and for the lambs, according to their number, after the ordinance;

NUMBERS 29:25 and one male goat for a sin offering; besides the continual burnt offering, its meal offering, and its drink offering.

NUMBERS 29:26 ““On the fifth day nine bulls, two rams, fourteen male lambs a year old without defect;

NUMBERS 29:27 and their meal offering and their drink offerings for the bulls, for the rams, and for the lambs, according to their number, after the ordinance;

NUMBERS 29:28 and one male goat for a sin offering, besides the continual burnt offering, and its meal offering, and its drink offering.

NUMBERS 29:29 ““On the sixth day eight bulls, two rams, fourteen male lambs a year old without defect;

NUMBERS 29:30 and their meal offering and their drink offerings for the bulls, for the rams, and for the lambs, according to their number, after the ordinance;

NUMBERS 29:31 and one male goat for a sin offering; besides the continual burnt offering, its meal offering, and the drink offerings of it.

NUMBERS 29:32 ““On the seventh day seven bulls, two rams, fourteen male lambs a year old without defect;

NUMBERS 29:33 and their meal offering and their drink offerings for the bulls, for the rams, and for the lambs, according to their number, after the ordinance;

NUMBERS 29:34 and one male goat for a sin offering; besides the continual burnt offering, its meal offering, and its drink offering.

NUMBERS 29:35 ““On the eighth day you shall have a solemn assembly: you shall do no regular work;

Verse 35

On the eighth day ye shall have a solemn assembly - This among the Jews was esteemed the chief or high day of the feast, though fewer sacrifices were offered on it than on the others; the people seem to have finished the solemnity with a greater measure of spiritual devotion, and it was on this day of the feast that our blessed Lord called the Jews from the letter to the spirit of the law, proposing

himself as the sole fountain whence they could derive the streams of salvation, Joh 7:37. On the subject of this chapter see the notes on Lev 12:1-8 (note), Leviticus 16 (note), Leviticus 23 (note).

NUMBERS 29:36 but you shall offer a burnt offering, an offering made by fire, of a pleasant aroma to the LORD: one bull, one ram, seven male lambs a year old without defect;

NUMBERS 29:37 their meal offering and their drink offerings for the bull, for the ram, and for the lambs, shall be according to their number, after the ordinance:

NUMBERS 29:38 and one male goat for a sin offering, besides the continual burnt offering, with its meal offering, and its drink offering.

NUMBERS 29:39 “You shall offer these to the LORD in your set feasts, besides your vows, and your freewill offerings, for your burnt offerings, and for your meal offerings, and for your drink offerings, and for your peace offerings.”

NUMBERS 29:40 Moses told the children of Israel according to all that the LORD commanded Moses.
