

# Numbers 1:30

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Of the children of Zebulun, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;

## Analysis

---

Zebulun's census demonstrates the continuation of God's covenant faithfulness even to tribes that would not feature prominently in Israel's political history. The tribe's later association with Nazareth and the Galilean ministry of Jesus shows that what seems insignificant in one era can become central in God's redemptive plan. This principle encourages believers to trust God's sovereignty over their circumstances, knowing He can use any situation for His glory.

## Historical Context

---

Zebulun received coastal territory in lower Galilee, benefiting from maritime trade. Jacob's blessing promised that Zebulun would 'dwell at the haven of the sea' (Genesis 49:13), a prophecy fulfilled in their territorial inheritance.

## Related Passages

---

**1 John 4:8** — God is love

**1 Corinthians 13:4** — Characteristics of love

## Study Questions

---

1. How does Zebulun's unexpected significance in Jesus's ministry encourage faith that God can use any believer or circumstance for His purposes?
2. What does this teach us about avoiding premature judgments about significance or insignificance in God's economy?

## Interlinear Text

---

מִבְּנֵי	זְבוּלֹן	תּוֹלְדֹתָם	לְמִשְׁפְּחֹתָם	לְבֵית
Of the children	of Zebulun	by their generations	after their families	by the house
H1121	H2074	H8435	H4940	H1004
אֲבוֹתָם	בְּמִסְפָּר	שֵׁמֹת	מִבְּנֵי	עֶשְׂרִים
of their fathers	according to the number	of the names	Of the children	from twenty
H1	H4557	H8034	H1121	H6242
שָׁנָה	וְעַד	כָּל	יָצְאוּ	צָבָא:
years	and upward	H3605	all that were able to go forth	to war
H8141	H4605		H3318	H6635

---

From KJV Study • [kjevstudy.org](http://kjevstudy.org)