

# Numbers 2:31

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

All they that were numbered in the camp of Dan were an hundred thousand and fifty and seven thousand and six hundred. They shall go hindmost with their standards.

## Analysis

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The summary total for Dan's division (157,600) made it the third-largest division, maintaining strong military presence in the northern sector. This substantial strength ensured balanced protection around the entire camp, with no weak points vulnerable to attack. The principle extends to the church: Christ distributes gifts throughout His body to ensure comprehensive strength with no fatal weaknesses.

## Historical Context

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Dan's division marching last in Israel's procession provided strong rearguard protection, ensuring the entire camp traveled safely. This tactical positioning showed wise military planning that protected the whole nation, not just the most prominent tribes.

## Related Passages

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**Romans 10:9** — Confession and belief for salvation

**John 3:16** — God's love and salvation

**Genesis 1:1** — Creation of heavens and earth

**Colossians 1:16** — All things created through Christ

## Study Questions

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1. How does the balanced strength of all four divisions around the camp illustrate Christ's provision of comprehensive spiritual protection for His church?
2. What does the strong rearguard function teach us about the importance of protective ministries that guard against attacks from behind?

## Interlinear Text

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כָּל פָּקָדִים לְמִנְחָה אֶלְף מֵאֹת זָהָר שְׁבַע הַלְּאַמְרָנָה יְסֻעָה!

H3605 All they that were numbered in the camp of Dan hundred thousand  
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וְשְׁבַע הַלְּאַמְרָנָה יְסֻעָה!

and seven and fifty thousand and six hundred hindmost They shall go  
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לְדָגְלִים:  
with their standards  
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## Additional Cross-References

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**Numbers 10:25** (Parallel theme): And the standard of the camp of the children of Dan set forward, which was the rereward of all the camps throughout their hosts: and over his host was Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.