

Numbers 20:27

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And Moses did as the LORD commanded: and they went up into mount Hor in the sight of all the congregation.

Analysis

Moses obeyed exactly: Aaron, Eleazar, and Moses went up 'in the sight of all the congregation.' The public nature ensured Israel witnessed the legitimate transfer of priesthood, preventing future disputes. That Moses 'did as the LORD commanded' contrasts with his earlier disobedience at Meribah, showing even disciplined leaders can still obey after failure.

Historical Context

The visible procession up Mount Hor provided transparency in leadership transition. Israel saw Aaron go up alive and Eleazar return in priestly garments, leaving no doubt about God's ordination of the new high priest.

Related Passages

Romans 1:17 — The righteous shall live by faith

Hebrews 11:1 — Definition of faith

Psalm 19:1 — Heavens declare God's glory

Colossians 1:16 — All things created through Christ

Study Questions

1. Why is transparency in leadership transitions important for community unity and trust?
2. How can you continue faithful obedience after experiencing consequences of past disobedience?

Interlinear Text

אָל	יַעַלְוּ	וְיַעֲשֶׂה	רַמְשֵׁה	כִּאָשֶׁר	צִוָּה	יְהִי	הַ	וְיַעֲשֶׂה
did	And Moses		H834	commanded	as the LORD	and they went up		
H6213	H4872			H6680	H3068			H413
הָר	לְעֵינֵי	בָּבֶן	כָּל	בְּעֵדָה:				
Hor	into mount	in the sight	H3605	of all the congregation				
H2023	H2022	H5869		H5712				

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