

# Numbers 33:46

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And they removed from Dibon-gad, and encamped in Almon-diblathaim.

## Analysis

**They removed from Dibon-gad, and encamped in Almon-diblathaim** (אַלְמֹן־דִּבְלָתָהִים) — Almon-diblathaim means "hiding place of the two fig cakes" or "concealment of the double cake." The Hebrew almôn (אַלְמֹן) from alam (אַלָּם, "to hide," "to conceal") suggests a hidden or secluded location. The "double fig cakes" may reference provision in secret places—God feeding His people even in wilderness obscurity.

This enigmatic name hints at spiritual paradox: God's richest provisions often come in hidden, seemingly insignificant moments. Just as Elijah was fed by ravens in concealment (1 Kings 17:3-6) and Israel received manna in wilderness solitude (Exodus 16), the choicest spiritual nourishment often arrives away from public view. Jesus Himself taught that the Father "who sees in secret" rewards openly (Matthew 6:6, 18).

## Historical Context

Almon-diblathaim (also called Beth-diblathaim in Jeremiah 48:22) was a Moabite town whose exact location remains uncertain, possibly near modern Deleilat ej-Gherbieh east of the Dead Sea. Jeremiah's prophecy places it in judgment context against Moab, but here Israel camps peacefully as they approach final preparation for Canaan conquest.

## Related Passages

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**Matthew 25:31** — Final judgment

**Romans 2:1** — Judging others

## Study Questions

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1. Where are the "hidden places" in your spiritual journey where God has provided unexpected nourishment?
2. How does the concept of divine provision in concealment challenge the modern demand for public, visible blessing?
3. What "double portion" might God be preparing for you in seasons of obscurity before public fruitfulness?

## Interlinear Text

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