

Numbers 7:24

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

On the third day Eliab the son of Helon, prince of the children of Zebulun, did offer:

Analysis

Eliab, prince of Zebulun, offering on the third day maintains the pattern. His tribe's equal participation demonstrates that geographic location (Zebulun would settle in the north) or tribal status did not diminish the expectation of full devotion. Every tribe had equal access to God and equal responsibility to worship Him fully. This reflects the New Testament truth that in Christ there is neither Jew nor Greek, bond nor free—all have equal standing before God.

Historical Context

Zebulun would later settle in Galilee, the region where Jesus conducted much of His ministry. The tribe's faithful offering during the wilderness period prefigured the region's eventual role in the incarnation and ministry of Christ. Geographic and tribal distinctions mattered for identity but not for access to God.

Related Passages

1 Corinthians 13:4 — Characteristics of love

John 15:13 — Greatest form of love

Study Questions

1. How does equal participation in worship across all tribes challenge modern divisions and hierarchies?
2. What does God's impartial reception of each tribe's offering teach about His character?
3. In what ways should recognition of equal access to God shape church practice and attitudes?

Interlinear Text

בַּיּוֹם הַשְּׁלִישִׁי נָשָׂא יָא בֶּן זְבוּלֹן אֱלִיָּא ב
day **On the third** **prince** **of the children** **of Zebulun** **Eliab**
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בֶּן הֵלֹן:
of the children **of Helon**
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Additional Cross-References

Numbers 1:9 (Parallel theme): Of Zebulun; Eliab the son of Helon.
