The congregation started grumbling again. They complained to Moshe and Aharon, because there was no water. YHWH told Moshe to get Aharon’s staff and speak to the rock. (He had previously told Moshe to hit the same rock with the staff.)

Moshe and Aharon took the staff and gathered the people together, but instead of speaking to the rock, Moshe hit it two times with the staff. Water poured out and the people and their animals drank; but because Moshe had disobeyed YHWH, and hit the rock instead of speaking to it, YHWH told him that he would not be able to enter the land flowing with milk and honey. Aharon couldn’t enter, either.

The congregation went to Kadesh, a city in Edom, and asked the king if they could pass through. “Please let us pass over, through your land. We shall not pass over through fields or vineyards, nor drink water from your wells. We shall go along the king’s highway. We shall not veer right or left, until we have passed over your border,” Moshe told him. The king of Edom said, “You shall not pass through,” and sent men out with swords to scare them away.

YHWH told Moshe to take Aharon and Elazar (Aharon’s son) up on Mount Hor, for Aharon was going to die. Moshe removed Aharon’s clothes and put them on Elazar, Aharon’s son, to keep them set-apart; then Aharon died, and everyone wept for him thirty days.

After the thirty days of weeping, the people started grumbling against YHWH, again.

YHWH was very angry with them and sent fiery serpents. The people then repented and YHWH told Moshe to make a bronze serpent and set it on a pole.
Anyone who was bitten lived when he looked and saw the bronze serpent. Yisrael moved on and came to a well and drank and praised YHWH for the water.

Again they kept moving and came to the cities of the Amorites. They asked Sichon, the king, if they could go through and said the same things they told the king of Edom.

Sichon also said no and fought with Yisrael, but Yisrael beat him and took over the city of Cheshbon. A fire then went out of Cheshbon and killed Ar of Moab. They then fought Og of Bashan and took over the land.

Aleph-Bet Sudoku
(Located on page 4)
Your goal is to fill in every column, row, and grid with each of the first four characters of the aleph-bet. When correctly filled in, each column, each row, and each grid will only have one of each of the four characters.

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