Overview of Numbers

Outline of the book:

1. Name of book: "Numbers" refers to the two times in this book that Moses takes a census of the people thus having them numbered.

2. 4 Sections of the book:
    a. **CH. 1-9**:
        i. Preparations for journey to the promised land
        ii. Census of all the tribes to count men for military service
        iii. Dedication of Levites and Nazarite vows
        iv. 2nd Passover celebrated
    b. CH. 10-12:
        i. Leave Sinai to approach promise land
        ii. Complaints about food, God provides Quail, plagues
        iii. Miriam and Aaron learn a lesson about God's leadership
    c. **CH. 13-19:**
        i. 12 Spies sent into the land
        ii. Because of peoples unfaithfulness, they are punished by wandering in the wilderness for 40 years
    d. CH. 20-36:
        i. New generation begin entering the land and easily destroy first 2 nations that are encountered.
        ii. Balak uses Balaam to cause Israelites to worship Baal. 24,000 people die including Balaam
        iii. Moses takes another census
        iv. Joshua assumes leadership since Moses is banned from entering the land.

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