

works things out in ways we never expect. Jesus told the disciples when you are called before councils don't think what you are going to say. God will give you what you are going to say. In great emergencies God simply works everything out in most marvellous ways. But in the ordinary affairs of life, God wants us to plan to work carefully, to do things in orderly fashion and not to have difficulties come upon us because we have not been prepared to meet them. And so the orderly, careful arrangement of the camp is here established. You don't have to move Congress to sit down to do this immediately. After he has become a bit strengthened in the Christian faith, a bit stabilized in his Christian life, has gone through a certain number of experiences, then the time comes when he should sit down and should make an orderly plan and an orderly arrangement. And these are very vital at every point in our lives.

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We won't look at the ~~details~~ of it. They are interesting. Historically very interesting. But the main feature we get from it I think is that it is important for us that we get an orderly system so that we can do things in a way that will accomplish results. When I can't find things I often say, If I can't find -- if there are six books lying here and I ~~want~~ want to find a certain one I say, Well it will be the last one I 'll look at. And very often it is, the last one you look at. But think of the time you waste. We want to learn to have things systematic. It ~~says~~ ^{saves} us time and effort, and often when an emergency~~s~~ comes it makes all the difference in the world that things are arranged in orderly fashion. So much then for C. The Arrangement of the Camp. Now

D. The Assingment of Tasks to the Levites. I had a bit of hesitation whether to make this D. or C. The reason is that Chap. 2 is entirely the arrangement of the camp. I made this D. because this takes up all of ch. 3 and 4. But at first I made it C. because it comprises the last 8 vs. of ch. 1 also, and one vs. of ch. 2. That is it is ch. 1:47-54 tells how the Levites were not included in the original census. The Levites were put aside for a particular work, and so they are left out from the other arrangment. And it is necessary that certain ones be set aside for certain special