

Study Guide

Reuben

Chapter 37

Memory Verses

Genesis 49:3-4

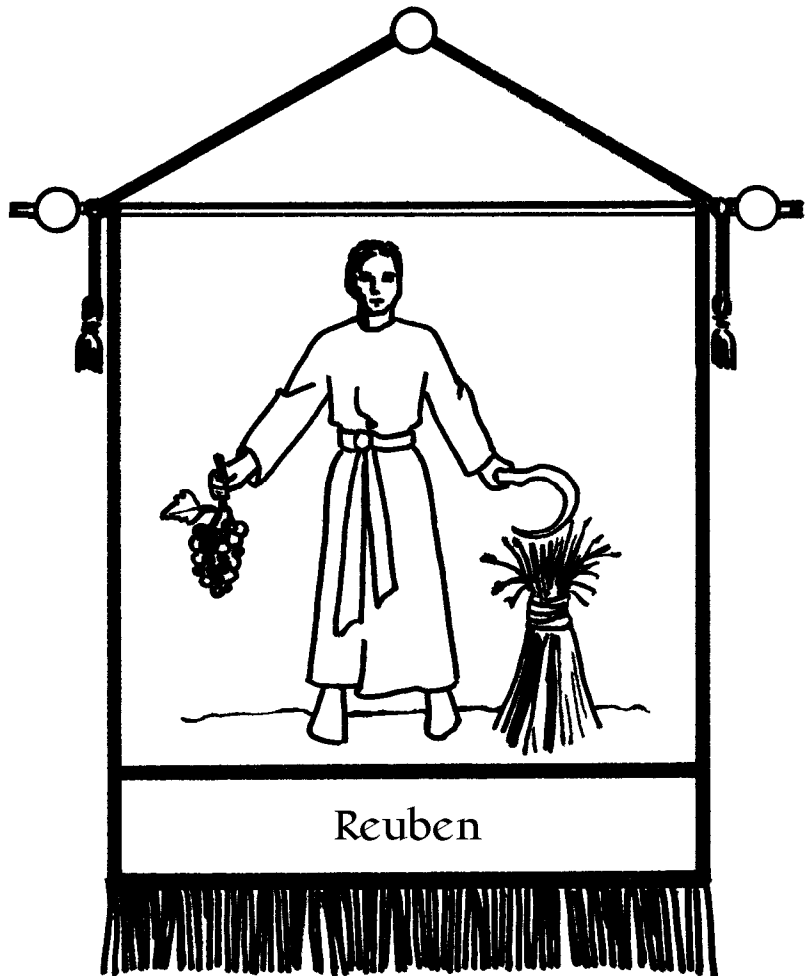
Deuteronomy 33:6

The Cross and Its Shadow Chapter

“Reuben,”
pages 287-292

Word Study

birthright
progenitor
vacillating character



The name Reuben means, “behold a son.”
The first born son of Jacob and Leah.
“Unstable as water, thou shalt not excel...”
Genesis 49:4

Review Questions

- 1. Why can we conclude that the names of the twelve sons of Jacob had special significance?**
- 2. What was the right of the eldest son in Jacob's family?**
- 3. Why did Reuben lose his birthright?**
- 4. Who received the temporal birthright instead of Reuben?**
- 5. Who received the priesthood?**
- 6. Who received the honor of being the progenitor of Christ?**
- 7. What did Jacob say about the real character of Reuben?**
- 8. What traces are shown of Reuben's "*excellency of dignity*"?**
- 9. What evidence was there that Jacob had little confidence in Reuben's word?**
- 10. What evidence is given that Reuben's selfish character was passed on to his descendants?**
- 11. What was the result of this selfishness?**
- 12. What evidence do we have that Reuben would not excel?**
- 13. What danger did the tribe of Reuben place themselves in when they chose their territory?**
- 14. What was the result?**
- 15. Since Reuben and his descendants failed to carry out the purposes of God, why will the name of Reuben be immortalized?**
- 16. What blessing did Moses pronounce on the tribe of Reuben?**

17. **When did Reuben prove himself worthy?**

18. **What will the 12,000 that enter under the banner of Reuben have in common?**

More Study

Brothers of the King, by Arthur W. Spalding, pages 25-30 or
The Conquerors, by Leslie Hardinge.

Mark Your Bible

Write a summary of your study and then mark your Bible.

Share

Share at least once a week what you have learned.

Activity

Make a chart of the tribes of the 144,000. Write the character qualities of those under the banner of Reuben.

“If you make God your strength and subdue yourself,
and let the truth bear away the victory,
the devices of Satan and his fiery darts
will fall upon himself,
and you will be strengthened,
kept from error,
and guarded from every false way.”

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