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Parsha: Korach / “Korah”

NOTE: The following are the general notes used for the teaching. They were primarily meant for reminders of the topic I wanted to cover, and do not include all that was said during the teaching.

NOTE: I am now using the Hebraic Roots Bible (HRB) for the scripture references throughout the study, unless otherwise noted.  
To obtain a free copy of the HRB: [www.coYHWH.com](http://www.coYHWH.com)

## Meaning

### Slide 5

Could not find if that is bald as in no hair, or bald as in Old English meaning white hair.

## The Rebellion

### Slide 7

Last parsha, we learned about the spies' report and God punished them.  
They were to wander in the wilderness for 40 years until everyone 30 and over died.

### Slide 9

So this was the main purpose. Not that they only wanted to also be priests as we will see.

### Slide 10

Notice that in actuality they were murmuring against Moshe.  
However, when we speak ill toward another person, it is directed at God!  
It is called loshon hara – the evil tongue.  
This is a huge concept we tend to miss!  
We must learn to master our tongue!

### Slide 18

Before I look at this word, let's go back to what God said...

### Slide 21

Notice what they are saying.  
We are all holy. Plural.  
This goes back to the concept of the Sabbath day.  
If all days are holy (set apart), then no day is holy – all days are common (unholy).  
Same concept with what they were saying.  
We are individually holy.  
So everyone is common.  
God was saying the community as a whole is holy.  
Korah did not want to be part of the community (remember, he wanted to take his clan back to Egypt).  
He wanted to be a leader, but for self.

### Slide 22

Should Moses have just given power to Korah just to appease him?

Does that ever work out? NO!

Look at the situation in Israel today.

They keep giving up land for peace, but the appetite is never satisfied.

### Slide 23

Notice that Moses' children never received any position of power (kingship or priesthood).

It ended with Moses.

### Slide 24

Who were the rebels?

### Slide 30

So he (and his descendants) are upset they have been by-passed.

### Slide 35

The way the sons are listed "tend" to be the birth order.

Korach was the first born.

### Slide 36

Why is Elzaphan significant?

### Slides 37-38

He was given the leadership role of the Kohathites.

So this means Korach, the first born, was not given the leadership role.

Just like Rueben!

They were commiserating together!

### Slide 39

Why would 250 people, intelligent men, with little to gain for themselves, follow Korah to a certain death?

The 250 people met their death simply because they were influenced by their neighbors!

This points to the awesome consequence that the influence of friends, neighbors, and associates have on us!

Who do we surround ourselves with?

Negative people who are guilty of Lashon Hara and are continually talking negatively about others or leaders within the Body of Messiah will only bring death.

### Slide 42

Mashach: root word where we get Mashiach.

### Slide 43

Not all Levites were priests.

All priests are Levites.

There is a difference.

#### Slide 45

What happened to On the son Peleth?  
What the sages say about On.

#### Slide 47

Used 45 times in the Tanakh.  
Each is associated with YHVH.  
Bara: used only with God as its subject.  
Implies not just Divine intervention through natural means but a special creation - out of nothing - something undeniably a God thing!  
The earth split open, but then closed as well.

#### Slide 54

By studying Korach we can see how the anti-christ will manipulate people and come to power.

#### Slide 55

The generation prior to the return of Yeshua will fall away and continue to do so until they cannot discern between the power and the authority of the Holy Spirit and the power and authority of man.

#### Slide 57

Korach and the Beast & False Prophet!  
The beast, the false prophet, and Korach's group are the only recorded occurrences of individuals descending into the pit without first experiencing physical death.

#### Slide 58

Moses interceded for Israel's rebellion at the golden calf, at the report of the 10 rebellious spies, when Aaron and Miriam rebel against him, so why all of a sudden the calling for Divine Judgment against the rebellion of his 1st cousin?!  
Korah's rebellion not only takes place in the theological realm but within our very being!

#### Slide 59

Korah is claiming that God's Divine election didn't take place at all and Moses and Aaron are self appointed leaders.  
Korah is not only undermining Moses but the entire Torah received at Sinai!  
If Moses merely exalted himself then his claim to speak for God is invalid and the Torah becomes a human document.  
If all the people are equally holy then all can produce a holy book on par with Torah and there will be many spiritual paths to choose.  
Korah not only challenged the authority of Moses, the authority of Torah but also the sovereignty of God. (Replacement theology)  
In opposing Moses, Korah is also opposing that the Torah came from God and is only a list of man made rules.  
Korah would be proud of the church today!

#### Slide 63

Responsible for 11 of the Psalms.

#### Slide 69

Why is this important?

### Slide 70

Peninnah = Jewel

Hannah = Grace

### Slide 74

How ironic/poetic that God would use a *descendant of Korah*, in Samuel, to defend the covenant relationship between God and people established through God's servant, *Moses!*

### Slide 78

This was the day after Korach being swallowed by the earth, AND the fire consumed the 250! AND they still murmured!

### Slide 80

Sha'ul was writing about this event!

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### Slides 83-84

Both words are tsamech.

### Slide 87

They are still murmuring!

### Slide 91

Fully recognized at His second coming when He rules with a rod of iron and all nations submit to Him during the millennial reign.

### Resources:

El Shaddai Ministries ([www.elshaddaiministries.us](http://www.elshaddaiministries.us))

First Fruits of Zion ([www.ffoz.org](http://www.ffoz.org))

Gateways to Torah, Rabbi Russell Resnik

Partners in Torah ([www.partnersintorah.org](http://www.partnersintorah.org))

Chumash

Tikkun

Judaism 101 (<http://www.jewfaq.org/index.htm>)

Chabad of Pierce County ([www.chabadpiercecounty.com](http://www.chabadpiercecounty.com))

Saltshakers (<http://www.hebrewroots.com>)