

<p>Reuben – had excelled in rank and power BUT unstable as water shall no longer excel because went up onto his fathers bed and defiled it.</p>	<p>May Reuben live, and not die out, even though his numbers are few.</p>
<p>19 Asher's food shall be rich, and he shall provide royal delicacies.</p>	<p>Most blessed of sons be Asher; may he be the favorite of his brothers, and may he dip his foot in oil. Your bars are iron and bronze; and as your days, so is your strength.</p>
<p>21 Naphtali is a doe let loose that bears lovely fawns.</p>	<p>O Naphtali, sated with favor, full of the blessing of the LORD, possess the west and the south.</p>

<p>5 Simeon and Levi are brothers; weapons of violence are their swords.</p> <p>6 May I never come into their council; may I not be joined to their company-- for in their anger they killed men, and at their whim they hamstrung oxen.</p> <p>7 Cursed be their anger, for it is fierce, and their wrath, for it is cruel! I will divide them in Jacob, and scatter them in Israel.</p>	<p>(Simeon not mentioned)</p> <p>Give Levi your Thummim, and your Urim to your loyal one, whom you tested at Massah, with whom you contended at the waters of Meribah;</p> <p>9 who said of his father and mother, "I regard them not"; he ignored his kin, and did not acknowledge his children. For they observed your word, and kept your covenant.</p> <p>10 They teach Jacob your ordinances, and Israel your law; they place incense before you, and whole burnt offerings on your altar. Bless, O LORD, his substance, and accept the work of his hands; crush the loins of his adversaries, of those that hate him, so that they do not rise again.</p>
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