

## **~KIBROTH-HATTA AVAH (79)**

### **(Kib'roth-hat-ta'a-vah) [Burial Places of the Craving]**

- The site of an Israelite wilderness encampment, where the mixed crowd expressed selfish longing for the food of Egypt.
- And the mixed crowd that was in the midst of them expressed selfish longing, and the sons of Israel too began to weep again and say; Who will give us meat to eat? (**Numbers 11:4**)
- Subsequently they pulled away from the wilderness of Sinai and went camping at **Kibroth-hattaavah**. (**Numbers 33:16**)
- Then they pulled away from **Kibroth-hattaavah** and went camping in Hazeroth. (**Numbers 33:17**)
- Further, at Taberah and at Massah and at **Kibroth-hattaavah** you proved yourselves provokers of Yehowah to anger. (**Deuteronomy 9:22**)
- It is generally identified with **Rueis el-Eberij**, about halfway between **Jebel Musa**, the traditional site of Mount Sinai, and Hazeroth. There Yehowah miraculously provided a month's supply of quail for the entire camp.
- You will eat, not one day nor two days nor five days nor ten days nor twenty days. (**Numbers 11:19**)
- But up to a month of days, until it comes out of your nostrils and it has become a loathing to you, just because you rejected Yehowah, who is in your midst, and you went weeping before him, saying; Why is it that we have come out of Egypt? (**Numbers 11:20**)
- And a wind burst forth from Yehowah and began driving quails from the sea and letting them fall above the camp about a day's journey this way and about a day's journey that way, all around the camp, and about two cubits above the surface of the earth. (**Numbers 11:31**)
- But the people were so greedy that, the one collecting least gathered ten homers. (2,200 Liters)(62 bushels). The record says that

while the meat was yet between their teeth, before it could be chewed; Yehowah began striking at the people with a very great slaughter.

- Instead of denoting literal chewing of a mouthful, this may mean before the entire provision of meat could be exhausted or consumed **AT, RS**, because the **Hebrew** word translated chewed basically means **cut off**.
- Wake up, you drunkards, and weep, and howl, all you wine drinkers, on account of sweet wine, for it has been cut off from your mouths. (**Joel 1:5**)
- After this the dead were buried, and the place therefore came to be called **Kibroth-hattaavah**.
- Then the people got up all that day and all night and all the next day and kept gathering the quail. The one collecting least gathered ten homers, and they kept spreading them extensively all around the camp for themselves. (**Numbers 11:32**)
- The meat was yet between their teeth, before it could be chewed, when Yehowah's anger blazed against the people, and Yehowah began striking at the people with a very great slaughter. (**Numbers 11:33**)
- The name of that place came to be called **Kibroth-hattaavah**, because there they buried the people who showed selfish craving. (**Numbers 11:34**)
- From **Kibroth-hattaavah** the people pulled away for Hazeroth, and they continued in Hazeroth. (**Numbers 11:35**)