ُوَقَالَ الرَّبُّ لِمُوسَى، ²كَلِّمْ بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ وَخُذْ مِنْهُمْ عَصاً عَصاً لِكُلِّ بَيْتِ أَب مِنْ جَمِيع َرُؤَسَائِهِمْ حَسَبَ بُيُوتِ آبَائِهِمِ. اثْنَتَيْ عَشَرَّةَ عَصاً. وَاسْمُ كُلِّ وَاحِدٍ تَكْتُبُهُ عَلَى عَصَاهُ. وَاسْمُ هَارُونَ تَكْتُبُهُ عَلَى عَصَا لاَوى، لأَنَّ لِرَأْس َىْت آيَائِهِمْ عَصاً وَاحِدَةً. ۗوَضَعْهَا فِي خَيْمَة الاحْتِمَاعِ أَمَامَ الشَّهَادَة ۚ جَبْثُ أَحْتَمِعُ بِكُمْ. ۚ فَالرَّحُلُ الَّذِي أَخْتَارُهُ ۖ تُفْرِخُ عَصَاهُ، فَأُسَـكَنُ عَنِّي تَـذَمُّرَات بَنِي إِسْـرَائِيلَ الَّتِي يَتَذَمَّرُونَهَا عَلَيْكُمَا ۖ فَكَلَّمَ مُوسَى بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ، فَأَعْطَاهُ جَمِيعُ رُؤَسَائِهِمْ عَصاً عَصاً لِكُلِّ رَئِيس حَسَبَ بُيُوتِ آبَائِهِمِ. اثْنَتَيْ عَشَـرَةَ عَصـاً. وَعَصَـاً هَـارُونَ بَيْـنَ عِصيِّهُمْ. ۖ فَوَضَعَ مُوسَى الْعِصِيَّ أَمَامَ الرَّبِّ فِي خَيْمَةِ الشَّهَاَدَةِ. ُوَفِي الْغَدِ دَخَلَ مُوسَى إِلَى خَيْمَةِ الشَّهَادَةِ، وَإِذَا عَصَا هَارُونَ لِبَيْتِ لاَوى قَدْ أَفْرَخَتْ. أَخْرَجَتْ فُرُوحاً وَأُزْهَرَتْ زَهْراً وَأَنْضَجَتْ لَوْزاً. ۖ فَأَخْرَجَ مُوسَى جَمِيعَ الْعِصِيِّ مِنْ أَمَامِ الرَّبِّ إِلَى جَمِيعِ بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ، فَنَظَرُوا وَأَخَذَ كُلُّ وَاحِدٍ عَصَاهُ. أَوقَالَ الرَّبُّ لِمُوسَى، رُدَّ عَصَا هَارُونَ إِلَى أَمَامِ الشُّهَادَةِ لأَجْلِ الْحفْظِ، عَلاَمَةً لِبَنِي التَّمَرُّدِ، ۚ فَتَكُفَّ تَذَمُّرَاتُهُمْ عَنِّي لِكَيْ لاَ يَمُوتُوا. 11 فَفَعَلَ مُوسَى كَمَا أَمَرَهُ الرَّتُّ. كَذَلكَ فَعَلَ. 12فَقَالَ بَنُو إِسْرَائِيلَ لمُوسَى، إِنَّنَا فَنِينَا وَهَلَكْنَا. قَدْ هَلَكْنَا حَمِيعاً. أَكُلُّ مَن اقْتَرَتَ إِلَيِّ مَسْكَنِ الرَّبِّ يَمُوثُ. أَمَا فَنينَا تَمَاماً..

¹And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, and take of every one of them a rod according to the house of their fathers, of all their princes according to the house of their fathers twelve rods: write thou every man's name upon his rod. And thou shalt write Aaron's name upon the rod of Levi: for one rod shall be for the head of the house of their fathers. And thou shalt lay them up in the tabernacle of the congregation before the testimony, where I will meet with you. 5 And it shall come to pass, that the man's rod, whom I shall choose, shall blossom: and I will make to cease from me the murmurings of the children of Israel, whereby they murmur against you. And Moses spake unto the children of Israel, and every one of their princes gave him a rod apiece, for each prince one, according to their fathers' houses, even twelve rods: and the rod of Aaron was among their rods. And Moses laid up the rods before the LORD in the tabernacle of witness. And it came to pass, that on the morrow Moses went into the tabernacle of witness; and, behold, the rod of Aaron for the house of Levi was budded. and brought forth buds, and bloomed blossoms, and yielded almonds. And Moses brought out all the rods from before the LORD unto all the children of Israel: and they looked, and took every man his rod. 10 And the LORD said unto Moses, Bring Aaron's rod again before the testimony, to be kept for a token against the rebels; and thou shalt quite take away their murmurings from me, that they die not. 11 And Moses did so : as the LORD

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commanded him, so did he. ¹²And the children of Israel spake unto Moses, saying, Behold, we die, we perish, we all perish. ¹³Whosoever cometh any thing near unto the tabernacle of the LORD shall die: shall we be consumed with dying?