

Adam Clarke:**Introduction**

All the offerings of God to be offered in their due season, Numbers 28:1, Numbers 28:2. The continual burnt-offering for the morning, Numbers 28:3-6; and its drink-offering, Numbers 28:7. The continual burnt-offering for the evening, Numbers 28:8. The offerings for the Sabbath, Numbers 28:9, Numbers 28:10. The offerings for the beginning of each month, Numbers 28:11-15. Repetition of the ordinances concerning the passover, Numbers 28:16-25. Ordinances concerning the day of first-fruits or pentecost, Numbers 28:26-31.

Verse 2

Command the children of Israel, etc. - It is not easy to account for the reason of the introduction of these precepts here, which had been so circumstantially delivered before in different parts of the books of Exodus and Leviticus. It is possible that the daily, weekly, monthly, and yearly services had been considerably interrupted for several years, owing to the unsettled state of the people in the wilderness, and that it was necessary to repeat these laws for two reasons:

1. Because they were now about to enter into the promised land, where these services must be established and constant.
2. Because the former generations being all dead, multitudes of the present might be ignorant of these ordinances.

In their due season - Moses divides these offerings into: -

1. Daily. The morning and evening sacrifices: a lamb each time, Numbers 28:3, Numbers 28:4.
2. Weekly. The Sabbath offerings, two lambs of a year old, Numbers 28:9, etc.
3. Monthly. At the beginning of each month two young bullocks, one ram, and seven lambs of a year old, and a kid for a sin-offering, Numbers 28:11, etc.
4. Annual.
 1. The passover to last seven days; the offerings, two young bullocks, one ram, seven lambs of a year old, and a he-goat for a sin-offering, Numbers 28:16, etc.
 2. The day of First-Fruits. The sacrifices, the same as on the beginning of the month, Numbers 28:26, etc.

With these sacrifices were offered libations, or drink-offerings of strong wine, Numbers 28:7, Numbers 28:14, and minchahs, or meat-offerings, composed of fine flour mingled with oil, Numbers 28:8, Numbers 28:12, etc. For an ample account of all these offerings, see the notes on Leviticus 7 (note) and Exodus 12 (note).

Verse 7

Strong wine - (Sikera); see the note on Leviticus 10:9, where this is largely explained.

Verse 26

Day of the first-fruits - Called also the feast of weeks, and the feast of pentecost. See it explained Exodus 23:14 (note), and Leviticus 23:15 (note).

Verse 31

Without blemish - This is to be understood as applying, not only to the animals, but also to the flour, wine, and oil; every thing must be perfect in its kind.