1. The Israelites arrived in a body at the wilderness of Zin on the first new moon, and the people stayed at Kadesh. Miriam died there and was buried there.

2. The community was without water, and they joined against Moses and Aaron.

3. The people quarreled with Moses, saying, “If only we had perished when our brothers perished at the instance of the Eternal! Why have you brought the Eternal’s congregation into this wilderness for us and our beasts to die there?”

4. Why did you make us leave Egypt to bring us to this wretched place, a place with no grain or figs or vines or pomegranates? There is not even water to drink!”

5. Moses and Aaron came away from the congregation to the entrance of the Tent of Meeting, and fell on their faces. The Presence of the Eternal appeared to them,

6. and the Eternal One spoke to Moses, saying,

7. “You and your brother Aaron take the rod and assemble the community, and before their very eyes order the rock to yield its water. Thus you shall produce water for them from the rock and provide drink for the congregation and their beasts.”

8. Moses took the rod from before the Eternal, as he had been commanded.

9. Moses and Aaron assembled the congregation in front of the rock; and he said to them, “Listen, you rebels, shall we get water for you out of this rock?”

10. And Moses raised his hand and struck the rock twice with his rod. Out came copious water, and the community and their beasts drank.
Jephthah of Gilead was a mighty warrior. Though he was the son of a prostitute, Gilead had fathered him.  

Gilead’s wife had sons; when they grew up, they drove Jephthah out, saying to him, “You are not going to inherit our father’s property, because you are the son of another woman.” So Jephthah fled from his brothers and settled in the area of Tob, where some outlaws joined him and went out [raiding] with him. Time passed, and the Ammonites went to war against Israel. When the Ammonites attacked Israel, the elders of Gilead went to bring Jephthah back from the area of Tob.