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We looked at the taking of the military census, and at the exception of the Levites, whose duty to the people would not be as part of an army, but as caretakers for the Tabernacle and all the holy objects it contained. This led to a discussion of some of the Medieval commentators on a verse in this sidrah, allowing us to explore the tradition of argument in exegesis. That prompted a question about the authorship of the Torah.