- iii. The first thing that happens is that the Lord commands a census to be taken.
  - a. It is taken on the first day of the 2nd month of the 2nd year after they are out of Egypt.
  - b. The Lord says to Moses, "I want you to get Aaron and I want you to get a leader from each of the tribes to help you to take the census. I am going to give you the names of the leaders."
- iv. The census is taken.
  - a. When the census is taken, the Lord says, "There is one tribe that I don't want you to count. What is that tribe? Levi. I have a special purpose for the Levites. But count every other male 20 years old and upward from all the tribes."
  - b. When they were counting, Israel had to pay the atonement tax and that money would be given to Aaron and his sons for the maintaining of the tabernacle."
- v. When the census is finished, we are told that there were 603,550 men.
  - This would comprise the army of Israel.
- 2. Organization of the camp (2-4)
  - i. Chapter 2
    - a. The Lord tells Moses and Aaron that he wants to organize the people.
    - b. When they move from place to place, the Lord is going to have them all organized so they know how to move in an orderly fashion.
    - c. See the picture of the camp shown in class:
    - d. There are going to be four divisions with three tribes in each division.
      - 1) Three to the east
      - 2) Three to the south
      - 3) Three to the west
      - 4) Three to the north
    - e. The first division to the east
      - 1) Made up of
        - i) Judah as the leader.
          - a) Judah's banner might have had a lion on it.
        - ii) Issachar and Zebulum.
      - 2) They are going to be at some distance to the tabernacle.