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Moses answered, “Because they come here to find out what God wants them to do. They bring their complaints to me, and I make decisions on the basis of God's laws.”

Jethro replied: That isn't the best way to do it. You and the people who come to you will soon be worn out. The job is too much for one person; you can't do it alone. God will help you if you follow my advice. You should be the one to speak to God for the people, and you should teach them God's laws and show them what they must do to live right.

You will need to appoint some competent leaders who respect God and are trustworthy and honest. Then put them over groups of 10, 50, 100, and 1,000. These judges can handle the ordinary cases and bring the more difficult ones to you. Having them to share the load will make your work easier. This is the way God wants it done. You won't be under nearly as much stress, and everyone else will return home feeling satisfied.

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