

NUMBERS 11 | SERMON NOTES

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Numbers 11:1-4

- For God to get to this...it had to be a lot more than just complaining
- Complain of adversity [ra = evil] = Speaking evil to God of God
- Where does this evil come from? Unbelief in who God is (**Reference:** Psalms 106:19-25)
- Notice He didn't consume them why? God is faithful to His word unto Moses. This was discipline not punishment

Lesson #1: What is burning/taberah in your life right now that you need to repent of so that your whole camp will not be consumed by the sin.

Numbers 11:4-9 - Rabble: it only takes a few to start the complaining again

- **rabble:** as·pes·üf = collection
- What was driving these rabble's greed = for their way
- The by-product of greed is tunnel vision: you become blind to your reality.
 - Because of their greed they were blind to 2 things their pass and their present
 - 1.) Pass (**Reference:** Numbers 11:5)
 - 2.) Present God's provision (**Reference:** Numbers 11:6-9)

Lesson #2: If God provides for your salvation (pass) do we doubt that he will provide for your present? The secret is to learn to be content with God's provision
(**Reference:** Philippians 4:11-13)

Numbers 11:10-15 - Moses complaining is different from the people's how?

- Moses' complaining is out of deep despair not greed
- **Greed** says "give me" (demand); **Despair** says "help me"
- Moses' despair is the result of the complaining of the people (**Reference:** Numbers 11:10)
- Read Numbers 11:15 from the Torah:
 - Moses is pleading with God to kill him....not just some passing comment.
 - Moses is blaming God for his wretchedness he is asking God to just finish the job by killing him (Moses).

Lesson #3: Be careful of how we speak in the body of Christ, don't know what the leadership or the person is going through at the moment and your words might be the words that pushes someone to point of despair.

Numbers 11:16-17 - God's solution for Moses' 70 Elders

- 1.) God will come down
- 2.) God will speak to Moses (assure Moses that he was still the Leader)
- 3.) Place His Spirit upon those who Moses chose
 - Draw upon the Spirit: to withdraw (not to be understood as a diminishing of God's spirit from Moses)
 - This is why it was important for God to speak to Moses in front of the Elders
(**Reference:** Numbers 11:16)
- 4.) All of this is in response to Moses complaining in Numbers 11:14, last part Numbers 11:17

Lesson #4: Pour out your heart to God in all matters

Numbers 11:18-23 - Contrast (Reference: Exodus 16:3-13)

- The difference is Exodus 19
- Because their covenant/agreement with God, He had to keep His agreement with them

Numbers 11:24-30 - The giving of God's spirit to the 70 Elders of Israel

Numbers 11:26-29 - No misunderstanding that the Spirit was from God and not from Moses

Lesson # 5: Be careful of how we perceive our brothers in Christ
(Reference: Mark 9:38-40)

Numbers 11:31-35 - God's answers their request but not as a blessing but a curse

- Kiborth-hattaavah = the graves of greediness
- Greed to be back in the world

Lesson #6: The wind/spirit (same word). The wind of God brought the curse of God the Spirit brings the blessing of God to lead us into righteousness