

YOUR OUTLOOK WILL DETERMINE YOUR OUTCOME 3

Hebrews 3:7-11; 16-19; Numbers 14:20-45; Hebrews 4:1-2, 9-11

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The place of rest in God is the place of total trust and reliance upon Him to be all we'll ever need, allow Him to accomplish what only He can accomplish for us, and ultimately be satisfied with the life and circumstances walking with Him will bring.

1. THE DREADFUL CONSEQUENCES OF UNBELIEF

a) The Lord's Judgment Fell on Them – vv. 23; 28-30a; 35

They won't be able to see the land, go into it, but will die outside of it in the wilderness. This is the judgment that fell on them for the sin of unbelief and rebellion against the Lord. (603,550). Many blessings have been forfeited or either stripped away by God for the sin and rebellion some people have committed in their lives. *Numbers 1:44-46*

b) The Lord's Judgment Fell on Their Children – vv. 31, 33

The 10 commandments said their sins would impact their children down to the 3rd and fourth generation; consequential effects; not generational curse. They will enter the Promise Land parent-less, still grieving over the loss of burying them. They also would transition from the occupation as slaves into 40-year shepherds!

c) The Lord's Judgment Is Just – vv. 21-22; 26-27; 36-37

God said, "My glory is what should fill the earth through the testimonies of those who know Me and have seen My glorious works and signs in Egypt and in the wilderness. Instead of trusting Me and publishing My fame abroad, they questioned, grumbled and complained in My face and ten times in a row refused to listen to Me." *Exodus 14:11; 15:23; 16:2, 12; 32:1; Numbers 14:1; Psalms 18:24-27, Psalms 51:3-4*

2. THE DELIGHTFUL CONSEQUENCES OF BELIEF - 24, 30b, 38

Joshua and Caleb was a delight to the Lord because they exercised faith, trust and courage in their desire to move forward to possess the land! When they made it to the Promise Land, there were only 2 eye-witnesses still alive.

a) He was a servant! – His allegiance was to serve God and His purposes and plan.

b) He was sanctified! - a different spirit (attitude, perspective, focus, outlook).

c) He was sold out! – followed the Lord fully without reservation.

3. THE DESTRUCTIVE CONSEQUENCES OF UNBELIEF 25, 39-45

a) The People Repeat Rebellion – v. 39-40 Another stage of rebellion against the Word and the will of God!

b) Moses Reprimands The Rebellion – vv. 41-43

Don't go because God is not in it, and God will not be with you! You will pay dearly!

c) The People Rushed Into Ruin – vv. 44-45 They went anyway without the blessing of God, the presence of God (Ark & Cloud) nor with the protection of God and were struck down.

There is a rest for the believer that can only be experienced through faith and trust.

Hebrews 4:1-2; 9-11 Have you found your place of rest yet? *Isaiah 30:15*