

Wandering Grumblers & Believers –Numbers & Deuteronomy

Intro. The LORD is testing Israel to reshape their heart

- Bread from Heaven (i.e. Manna) - Exodus 16:4, 8, 1 Corinthians 10:9-11

I. A Grumbler's Hearts Turns Away From The Lord

Story 1:

1. Perpetually complains to others and is always discontented
 - ... in their misfortunes - Numbers 11:1-2
- ... in God's food provision – Numbers 11:4-6, 20

Story 2:

2. Fear their circumstances instead of believing in the Lord
 - 10 spies bring back a bad report - Numbers 13:32-33
3. Rebels against authority and wants control over their lives
 - Numbers 14:1-4, 11

II. A Believer's Heart Turns Toward The Lord

Story 1:

1. Bring your complaint to God in prayer
 - Moses complains to God - Numbers 11:11-12, 15-16

Story 2:

2. Trust and obey the Lord in every situation
 - Two spies bring back a good report - Numbers 14:8-9, 20-24, 26-29

“Outlook determines outcome, and attitude determines action.” - Warren Wiersbe

III. The Upper Story - Choose Life Or Choose Death!

1. Choose life and to love the Lord
 - Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 30:11-18, 19-20,
2. Choose to believe in the Bread of Life
 - John 6:35, 41, 43-44, 48-49, 53, 61, 66-69
3. Choose an attitude of gratitude instead of grumbling
 - Philippians 2:14-15; 4:4-7

“A thankful spirit is a triumphant spirit” - Warren Weirsbe