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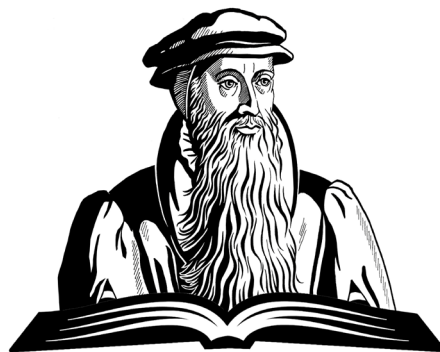
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**Lesson 39:**

**Hearts of Ingratitude**

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# Lesson 39

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## Hearts of Ingratitude Numbers 1–14

### Memory Verse

*And Aaron said unto Moses, Alas, my Lord, I beseech thee, lay not the sin upon us, wherein we have done foolishly, and wherein we have sinned. Let her not be as one dead, of whom the flesh is half consumed when he cometh out of his mother's womb. And Moses cried unto the LORD, saying, Heal her now, O God, I beseech thee.*

Numbers 12:11–13

### Introduction

Numbers is the fourth book written by Moses. It gets its name from the command of God to Moses found in Numbers 1:2, “Take ye the sum of all the congregation of the children of Israel.” The numbering of the people takes place in the first four chapters. Numbers, which covers the wilderness journey, covers over thirty-eight years of Israel’s wanderings.

### Numbers: Its Place in God’s Fulfilling His Faithful Covenant Promise

In Genesis, we saw that when Adam sinned, God did not leave him without hope in the world. God had promised that deliverance would be possible by the seed of the woman. This seed pointed to the Messiah who would come, Jesus Christ. We also saw that in time, God came to one man, Abram. He told Abram to leave Ur of the Chaldees and travel to a land that the Lord would give him—the land of Canaan. Abram believed God and, looking forward to the fulfillment of the promise, journeyed.

In Exodus, God, remembering his promise to Abraham, sent Moses to Egypt to deliver the children of Jacob, who were in captivity. God promised to deliver them and bring them to the land of promise. Looking forward to the fulfillment of the promise, they followed God’s servant, Moses.

In Leviticus, God revealed how they may approach him by bringing their sacrifice for sin to the tabernacle. He also showed them how they were to show thankfulness to God for his wonderful and gracious dealings.

One thing we may notice, in God’s dealing with his people in those books, is his abiding faithfulness. Another thing to consider is their continual looking forward to the fulfillment of

the promise. They are continually looking forward to a land that God has promised to be their possession. In the words of Paul, they had “looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God” (Heb. 11:10). This is the land of Canaan.

Numbers continues the story of the children of God as they journey from a land of bondage, slavery, servitude, and oppression to a land flowing with milk and honey—“And I am come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land unto a good land and a large, unto a land flowing with milk and honey; unto the place of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites” (Exod. 3:8).

### Rebellion

Sadly, the journey was not quick. Because of their rebellion against God, they would spend over thirty-eight years wandering in the wilderness. What were their sins as they left Mount Sinai for the land of Canaan? They were many.

- They looked back to the time in Egypt with fondness. (Num. 11:4)
- They complained about the food they had to eat. (Num. 11:5)
- They complained about the manna the Lord had supplied to sustain them. (Num. 11:6)
- They questioned the authority of Moses. (Num. 12)
- The spies sought to discourage the people from entering the promised land (Num. 13)
- Upon hearing the report of the spies, the people wept and lamented the fact that they had left Egypt. They believed the words of these men, rather than the word of their covenant God. They saw God as unfaithful.

### Salvation: For His Name’s Sake

Beautiful words—saved for his name’s sake. No greater, no better pleading ground of salvation. The Lord shows his displeasure with the people. He says he will cut them all off, except Moses. Of Moses, he will build a great nation (Num. 14:12) However, the others will be disinherited. This is what they deserve. Is there no hope for a rebellious and disobedient people? Yes, oh, yes! Moses will plead for the people.

What does he plead? Not their goodness. He does not minimize their sin. What does he plead? It is the Lord’s honor and glory that Moses pleads. What will the Egyptians think? What will all the inhabitants of the land think, if this, thy people are destroyed.

“And now, I beseech thee, let the power of my Lord be great, according as thou hast spoken, saying, The LORD is longsuffering, and of great mercy, forgiving iniquity and transgression, and by no means clearing the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation. Pardon, I beseech thee, the iniquity of this people according unto the greatness of thy mercy, and as thou hast forgiven this people, from Egypt even until now” (Num. 14:17–10).

With these words Moses intercedes for the people.

Every sinner that is saved is not saved because of some worthiness in him, no, it is for God's name's sake. Here is a great ground of comfort. God, for his name's sake, sent his Son, "whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God" (Rom. 3:25).

### Questions

1. When the people complained of eating manna (Num. 11), God fed his people with:
  - a. Cows
  - b. Quails
  - c. Pigs
  - d. Fish
  
2. The Lord sent a plague upon the people that lusted after the flesh of Egypt. This occurred at:
  - a. Mt. Sinai
  - b. Kibrothhattaavah
  - c. Hazeroth
  - d. Engedi
  
3. God was displeased with those who questioned the authority of Moses (Num. 12). To show God's displeasure, \_\_\_\_\_ was afflicted with leprosy.
  - a. Aaron
  - b. Eldad
  - c. Ithamar
  - d. Miriam
  
4. The men who went to spy out the land of Canaan (Num. 13) brought all of the following back, except \_\_\_\_\_. These items showed how fruitful the land was.
  - a. Figs
  - b. Pomegranates,
  - c. Grapes
  - d. Olives
  
5. When the spies returned to the camp with the pleasant fruits, the spies sought to discourage the people from going up and take the land. Only \_\_\_\_\_ encouraged the people to go and possess the land. (Num. 13)
  - a. Palti the son of Raphu
  - b. Shammua the son of Zaccur
  - c. Caleb the son of Jephunneh
  - d. Oshea the son of Nun

6. God, hearing the plea of Moses, will not cut the people off. However, he says that because they had sinned against him these \_\_\_\_\_ times, only two of the people who came out of Egypt would enter the promised land. The rest would die in the wilderness.
- a. Five
  - b. Seven
  - c. Ten
  - d. Fourteen

### Discussions

1. In Numbers 11:12–13, Moses complains to the Lord, saying, “Have I conceived all this people? have I begotten them, that thou shouldest say unto me, Carry them in thy bosom,... unto the land which thou swarest unto their fathers?” Here we see that Moses was appointed to deliver the people, but he complains because the burden is too great for him. In this we may see how Jesus is a greater Moses, for he too was appointed to carry his people. Explain how Jesus Christ is greater than Moses in carrying his people to the promised land.

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2. Read the words in the Memory Verse box (at the top of this lesson). What realization did Aaron come to when he pleaded with Moses? What was Moses’ reaction to the cry of Aaron? Discuss how Moses actions foreshadow the work of the Lord Jesus Christ.

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3. Discuss why the glory of God, rather than the good works of man, is an encouragement to seek the Lord.

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