# There is No Reason to Turn Back! An Exposition of the Book of Hebrews

10: "A Warning Against Unbelief" Hebrews 3:7-12

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## **Exodus 16:2-3**

"2 The whole congregation of the sons of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. 3 The sons of Israel said to them, 'Would that we had died by the Lord's hand in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the pots of meat, when we ate bread to the full; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

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#### Exodus 17:2-4

"2 Therefore the people <u>quarreled with Moses</u> and said, 'Give us water that we may drink.' And Moses said to them, 'Why do you quarrel with me? <u>Why do you test the Lord?</u>" But the people thirsted there for water; and they <u>grumbled against Moses</u> and said, 'Why, now, have you brought us up from Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the Lord, saying, 'What shall I do to this people? A little more and they will stone me."

### Numbers 13:27-31

"27 Thus they told him, and said, "We went in to the land where you sent us; and it certainly does flow with milk and honey, and this is its fruit. 28 Nevertheless, the people who live in the land are strong, and the cities are fortified and very large; and moreover, we saw the descendants of Anak there. 29 Amalek is living in the land of the Negev and the Hittites and the Jebusites and the Amorites are living in the hill country, and the Canaanites are living by the sea and by the side of the Jordan.' 30 Then Caleb quieted the people before Moses and said, "We should by all means go up and take possession of it, for we will surely overcome it.' 31 But the men who had gone up with him said, "We are not able to go up against the people, for they are too strong for us.""

### **Numbers 14:8-9**

"8 If the Lord is pleased with us, then He will bring us into this land and give it to us — a land which flows with milk and honey. 9 Only do not rebel against the Lord; and do not fear the people of the land, for they will be our prey. Their protection has been removed from them, and the Lord is with us; do not fear them."

### Numbers 14:11-12

"11 The Lord said to Moses, 'How long will this people spurn Me? And how long will they not believe in Me, despite all the signs which I have performed in their midst? 12 I will smite them with pestilence and dispossess them, and I will make you into a nation greater and mightier than they."

# **Numbers 14:19**

"19 Pardon, I pray, the iniquity of this people according to the greatness of Your lovingkindness, just as You also have forgiven this people, from Egypt even until now."

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How does a hard heart develop within a person?

Beware of clinging to your own self-righteousness.

Note the illustration of Massah and Meribah once again.

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