

- 4) When they started to eat the quail, the ones who grumbled were killed. While it was between their teeth, the Lord kills them.
 - 5) That's why this place is called Kibroth-hattaavah which means "graves of desire."
 - i) These people wanted meat and the Lord gave them meat and killed them there because of their grumbling.
 - ii) We are not told how many were killed because of what they desired.
 - iii. They come to Hazeroth
4. Complaints against Moses' marriage (12)
- i. When they get to Hazeroth, Miriam all of the sudden decides that she and Aaron should share the leadership of the people of Israel with Moses.
 - a. She becomes the ringleader.
 - b. That is clear not only because her name is mentioned first, but because the verb used for speaking in 12:1 is feminine.
 - ii. Her attack against Moses
 - a. She starts off by criticizing Moses because he had married a Cushite wife so as to cause the people to disfavor Moses.
 - b. Then she says to the people, "Hasn't the Lord spoken through me and Aaron just like he has spoken through Moses? Moses is not above us. We can all share leadership together."
 - iii. The Lord's response.
 - a. The Lord says, "I want you three, Moses, Miriam and Aaron, to come to the tabernacle."
 - b. The Lord descends in a cloud and tells Miriam and Aaron to come forward and then he lays it on the line to them, "Miriam and Aaron, when I spoke through prophets, I spoke through dreams and visions. But that is not the way I spoke to Moses. I spoke to him face to face. When I spoke to other prophets, I have spoken through riddles. But to Moses I have spoken plainly. Why then since I have exalted Moses have you spoken against him?" *when*
 - c. The Lord rebukes them for what they had done. ~~Why~~ the Lord had spoken through them, they weren't on the same level as Moses.
 - d. When the cloud lifted, the Lord afflicted her with leprosy.
 - iv. Aaron turned to Moses and said, "Please don't hold this sin against us that we have committed against you. Please pray that she'll be healed."