

- f. The report of the ten spies
 - 1) They come back to Kadesh Barnea.
 - 2) They say, "Moses it is a land that is filled with milk and honey. The fruit it produces is tremendous. But there is a problem. Those people up there are stronger than we are. The descendants of Anak are up there. They look like giants. In their presence, we look like grasshoppers. There is no way we can take them. If we go up there, those people are going to kill us."
 - 3) Not every one gave that report.
- g. The report of Caleb and Joshua
 - 1) They differ from that report.
 - 2) Caleb said, "Listen we can go up and take the land."
 - 3) But the ten spies said, "There's no way we can do it."
- ii. Refusal and judgment (14)
 - a. The people believed the report of the ten spies.
 - 1) That night the people were mourning and weeping because they felt the Lord had brought them out here to take this land and while it was a good land, they were not going to be able to take it.
 - 2) The people come to Moses and say, "Why did you bring us out here so that these Canaanites can kill us? Not only are they going to kill us, our women and children are going to be spoil and plunder for the Canaanites."
 - b. They wanted to appoint a leader and go back to Egypt.
 - c. When they said this, Joshua and Caleb step into the picture and said, "Don't rebel against the Lord. We can take this land and defeat these people. The protection of those people is gone. The Lord will fight for us. He'll give us the land. ~~Let's~~ ^{Let's} take them."
 - d. The people wanted to stone Joshua and Caleb.
 - e. The Lord turns to Moses and says, "What I am going to do is to destroy this whole lot of people. All they have been doing is grumbling. I've brought them up here to give them the land. They won't believe me. I am going to destroy the bunch of them and I'll make of you a great nation."
 - f. Moses' response
 - 1) He said, "Remember your honor is at stake. The Egyptians know you brought the Israelites out of Egypt and if you destroy them all, what are the Egyptians and the Canaanites going to say?"
 - 2) "They are going to say that the reason you killed them was because you couldn't deliver on your promise. You couldn't give them the land of Canaan like you promised."