

3) In other words, the Egyptians would say the Lord is not powerful to fulfill His promise.

g. ^{The} Lord's response

- 1) He says, "Alright. I won't destroy the nation. I'll let them live. But because of what they have done, every person 20 yrs old and above is going to die in the wilderness except Joshua and Caleb. They are going to enter in because they have been faithful to me. And the descendants of Caleb are going to get the land he spied out (i. e. Hebron)."
- 2) Since the Israelites had taken forty days to spy out the land, they will spend 40 years wandering in the wilderness.
- 3) Remember that 40 years will include the time since they have come out of Egypt.
- 4) "Not only are they going to wander for 40 years so that they all die, but their children that they said would be spoil for the Canaanites, they are going to get the land. They are not going to be spoil for the Canaanites. But the children of these people are going to have to suffer for what their fathers did and they are going to have to suffer by being shepherds for 40 years until every last one of those men 20 years old and upward are dead."

h. Moses tells this to the children of Israel and they weep.

i. ~~The Lord~~ ^{The Lord} then struck the 10 spies with a plague so that they died.

j. The next day

- 1) The people come to Moses the next day and say, "We did sin against the Lord. We'll go up now."
- 2) Moses says, "Are you going to disobey the Lord again?"
 - i) Moses had told them that the Lord had said they were now to turn around and go back down toward the Red Sea.
- 3) Moses says, "If you go up and try to take the land, the Lord is not going to be with you and you'll be defeated."
- 4) They go up and are defeated by the Amalekites driving them all the way back to Hormah.
- 5) They come back to Kadesh-barnea.

6. Offering laws (15)

- i. This may have been given at Kadesh-Barnea.
- ii. The Lord gives instructions concerning offerings that are brought to him.