

Rebellion and Consequences  
Deut 1:24-32  
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Thesis: I want to show what we can learn from those who doubted God.

- Intro:
1. The Wilderness wanderings and the promised land are things discussed a lot in the old testament.
  2. However the wilderness wanderings would have never happened, if man had obeyed God and believed His words.

I. Encouragement VS Rebellion

A. God's Encouragement (19:21,29-31)

1. God had set a dwelling place before them and told them there was no reason to fear (v.21)
2. The Lord repeats there was no reason to fear and that He would "fight for you" and reminds them what He has done for them already (v.29-31)

B. Rebellion (19:26-28;32-33)

1. The people replied to God's first words with fear and doubt (v.26,28)
  - a. They even complained about leaving Egypt (v.27).
2. After God's second response (v.29-31), that included God telling them He would fight for them, the people though still did not believe God (v.32-33)

II. Consequences of Rebellion (v.34-39)

A. Rebellion is not ignored (v.34)

1. Those who rebelled would never see enter the land
2. The innocent are spared and would be able to enter the land (v.36,39)

B. Rebellion is disobedience and is punished (v.35,37-38)

1. God did not ignore their rebellion (v.35)
2. Moses also would not enter because of his own disobedience (v.37) but Joshua would (v.38, Deut 3:23-27)

III. Lessons for us today.

A. Obedience has a timetable (1:40-45)

1. God told them to go to the wilderness and the people responded with a delayed and fearful obedience. (v.40-42)
3. They did not have a desire to truly obey God (v.43-45)

B. Never doubt the Almighty

- 1. God is powerful and can does do anything.**
- 2. Doubting God has never been beneficial for anyone.**

Application & Conclusion:

1. Mankind today will wonder in sin when you choose to rebel and disobey God.
2. In order to enter the spiritual promised land promised to Christians today man must be obedient.
3. Full Invitation

Non-Christians must:

Hear – James 1:22, Romans 10:15,17

Believe – Jn 12:44, Jn 8:24, Mt 16:16

Repent – Luke 13:2-3

Confess – John 12:42, Romans 10:9

Be Baptized – 1 Pt 3:21, Acts 22:16, Col 2:11, Mk 16:16, Rom 6:3-4

Live faithfully – John 14:15, Rev 2:10

Christians must:

Repent: Acts 17:20, Acts 8:37, Lk 13:3

Pray: James 5:16, 1 Jn 1:9