Sermon Notes

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The whole Israelite community set out from Elim and came to the Desert of Sin. which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after they had come out of Egypt.² In the desert the whole community grumbled against Moses and Aaron.³ The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the Lord's hand in Egypt! There we sat around pots of meat and ate all the food we wanted, but you have brought us out into this desert to starve this entire assembly to death." ⁴ Then the Lord said to Moses, "I will rain down bread from heaven for you. The people are to go out each day and gather enough for that day. In this way I will test them and see whether they will follow my instructions. ⁵ On the sixth day they are to prepare what they bring in, and that is to be twice as much as they gather on the other days." ⁶So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you will know that it was the Lord who brought you out of Egypt, ⁷ and in the morning you will see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we, that you should grumble against us?" ⁸ Moses also said, "You will know that it was the Lord when he gives you meat to eat in the evening and all the bread you want in the morning, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we? You are not grumbling against us, but against the Lord." ⁹Then Moses told Aaron, "Say to the entire Israelite community, 'Come before the Lord, for he has heard your grumbling.¹¹ While Aaron was speaking to the whole Israelite community, they looked toward the desert, and there was the glory of the Lord appearing in the cloud. ¹¹ The Lord said to Moses, ¹² "I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Tell them, 'At twilight you will eat meat, and in the morning you will be filled with bread. Then you will know that I am the Lord your God."¹³ That evening quail came and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴ When the dew was gone, thin flakes like frost on the ground appeared on the desert floor. ¹⁵ When the Israelites saw it, they said to each other, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread the Lord has given you to eat. Exodus 16:1-15

1. The whole community grumbled against Moses and Aaron:

They are in _____; the sad thing is that their _____ is in the wrong direction.

They weren't grumbling against Moses and Aaron; they were grumbling against

God has noticed their _____, not their _____.

2. If only we had died by the Lord's hand back in Egypt:

The entire group has just ______ what slavery was really like.

Their memory is that they were _____.

They have elevated their life of slavery and think facing God's judgment, like the Egyptians did, would have ______.

3. Notice what they didn't say:

What do they _____?

They wanted to ______ to their old life rather than have ______ each step of the way.

4. Sabbath:

There are no instructions prior to this that God desires His people to rest on the 7th day.

Don't gather more than you need for each_day.

They are to gather 2 days worth on the 6^{th} day.

Not only will God ______, but He tells them they will ______.

5. You will know:

It was God who freed them out of Egypt; it was God who provided for them, and He is

- The quail reminds them that it was God who got them out of Egypt.
- The mana shows them His glory.

Christophanies and Typologies

A. Christophany:

They looked toward the desert and there they saw the Glory of the Lord in the cloud.

Even though they are grumbling against God, God is right there, and _____

to _____.

Jesus was mocked, ridiculed, and plotted against, and yet He continued on His mission to give to us what _____.

B. Type.

Their desire to return to Egypt is like our struggle with _____.

The flesh calls us back to slavery to sin but Jesus calls us to discover that He ______, that He ______ and that He ______.

Jesus' death on the cross is saying to you and me: I am _____; I have given myself up for you.

Come to me to have life

The temptation to not go through the testing is like refusing the life Jesus offers if we will follow Him.

The life Jesus offers us is ______ not _____.

The Israelites didn't stay at the Red Sea, they didn't stay at the sweetened waters or Marah, they didn't stay at Elim with the 12 springs and the 70 palms. God was moving them ______, because that's what ______.