

***No  
Second  
Chance***

***Numbers 14:40-45***

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**40 And they rose up early in the morning, and gat them up into the top of the mountain, saying, Lo, we be here, and will go up unto the place which the LORD hath promised: for we have sinned.**

**41 And Moses said, Wherefore now do ye transgress the commandment of the LORD? but it shall not prosper.**

**42 Go not up, for the LORD is not among you; that ye be not smitten before your enemies.**

**43 For the Amalekites and the Canaanites are there before you, and ye shall fall by the sword: because ye are turned away from the LORD, therefore the LORD will not be with you.**

## **Numbers 14:40-45 - continued**

**44 But they presumed to go up unto the hill top: nevertheless the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and Moses, departed not out of the camp.**

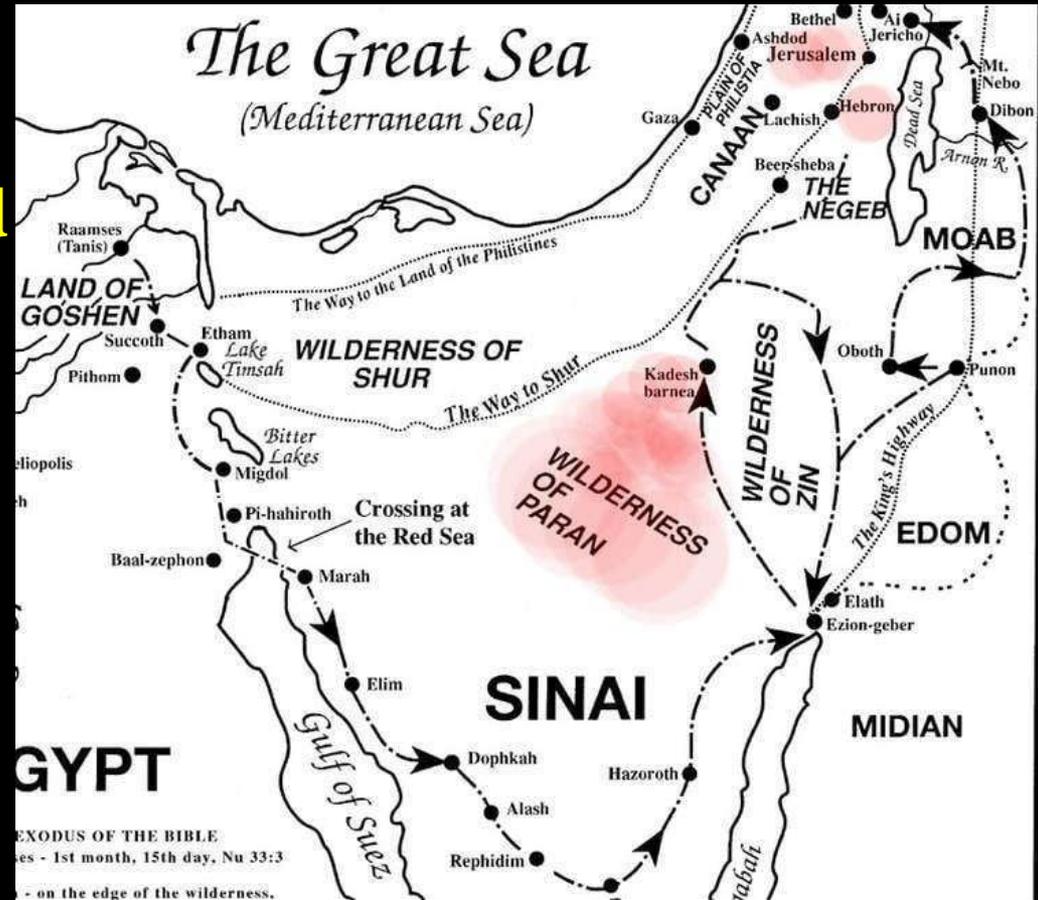
**45 Then the Amalekites came down, and the Canaanites which dwelt in that hill, and smote them, and discomfited them, even unto Hormah.**

# Introduction

A. The nation of Israel was at Paran

Numbers 12:16

And afterward the people removed from Hazeroth, and pitched in the wilderness of Paran.



# Introduction

## B. Instructed to spy out Canaan

### Numbers 13:2-3

**2 Send thou men, that they may search the land of Canaan, which I give unto the children of Israel: of every tribe of their fathers shall ye send a man, every one a ruler among them.**

**3 And Moses by the commandment of the LORD sent them from the wilderness of Paran: all those men were heads of the children of Israel.**

# Introduction

**C. Intimated by the inhabitants of the land**

**Numbers 13:31**

**But the men that went up with him said, We be not able to go up against the people; for they are stronger than we.**

# **I. Second Chances Run Out**

## **A. When you forget what God has done**

**Numbers 14:21-23**

**21 But as truly as I live, all the earth shall be filled with the glory of the LORD.**

**22 Because all those men which have seen my glory, and my miracles, which I did in Egypt and in the wilderness, and have tempted me now these ten times, and have not hearkened to my voice;**

**23 Surely they shall not see the land which I swear unto their fathers, neither shall any of them that provoked me see it:**

# **I. Second Chances Run Out**

**B. When you forget what God has promised**

**Exodus 23:27-30**

**27 I will send my fear before thee, and will destroy all the people to whom thou shalt come, and I will make all thine enemies turn their backs unto thee.**

**28 And I will send hornets before thee, which shall drive out the Hivite, the Canaanite, and the Hittite, from before thee.**

**29 I will not drive them out from before thee in one year; lest the land become desolate, and the beast of the field multiply against thee.**

**30 By little and little I will drive them out from before thee, until thou be increased, and inherit the land.**

# **I. Second Chances Run Out**

**C. When you follow the faithless instead of the faithful  
Numbers 14:8-10**

**8 If the LORD delight in us, then he will bring us into this land, and give it us; a land which floweth with milk and honey.**

**9 Only rebel not ye against the LORD, neither fear ye the people of the land; for they are bread for us: their defence is departed from them, and the LORD is with us: fear them not.**

**10 But all the congregation bade stone them with stones. And the glory of the LORD appeared in the tabernacle of the congregation before all the children of Israel.**

# **I. Second Chances Run Out**

**D. When you fail to realize God's judgment is final**

**Numbers 14:23**

**Surely they shall not see the land which I swear unto their fathers, neither shall any of them that provoked me see it:**

**Numbers 14:36-37**

**36 And the men, which Moses sent to search the land, who returned, and made all the congregation to murmur against him, by bringing up a slander upon the land,**

**37 Even those men that did bring up the evil report upon the land, died by the plague before the LORD.**

## **II. No Second Chance Now Does Not Mean It's Over**

### **A. You are on a new path**

**Numbers 14:25**

**(Now the Amalekites and the Canaanites dwelt in the valley.) Tomorrow turn you, and get you into the wilderness by the way of the Red sea.**

### **B. Gives you time to think**

**Number 14:34**

**After the number of the days in which ye searched the land, even forty days, each day for a year, shall ye bear your iniquities, even forty years, and ye shall know my breach of promise.**

## **II. No Second Chance Now Does Not Mean It's Over**

**C. Gives you time to renew your faith**

**Deuteronomy 8:2-6**

**2 And thou shalt remember all the way which the LORD thy God led thee these forty years in the wilderness, to humble thee, and to prove thee, to know what was in thine heart, whether thou wouldest keep his commandments, or no.**

**3 And he humbled thee, and suffered thee to hunger, and fed thee with manna, which thou knewest not, neither did thy fathers know; that he might make thee know that man doth not live by bread only, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of the LORD doth man live.**

## **II. No Second Chance Now Does Not Mean It's Over**

**C. Gives you time to renew your faith**

**Deuteronomy 8:2-6 - continued**

**4 Thy raiment waxed not old upon thee, neither did thy foot swell, these forty years.**

**5 Thou shalt also consider in thine heart, that, as a man chasteneth his son, so the LORD thy God chasteneth thee.**

**6 Therefore thou shalt keep the commandments of the LORD thy God, to walk in his ways, and to fear him.**

# **III. You Cannot Go Back But You Can Go Forward**

**Philippians 3:13-14**

**13 Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before,**

**14 I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.**

**Do Right Now  
When You Have The Chance**