

“When God is With Us”

Exo. 16:1-9

Introduction

- I. The lives of the Israelites serve as a reminders to Christians of how we should not repeat their mistakes (1 Cor. 10:1-11).
- II. We should never forget Who is our Supplier, Supporter and Sustenance (Acts 17:28).

Discussion

- I. The Israelites had a lack of faith (Exo. 16:1-3).
 - A. There was a history of faith failures amongst Israel.
 1. When Moses arrived (Exo. 5:20-21).
 2. Before crossing the Red Sea (Exo. 14:10-12).
 - B. There was no need for a lack of faith because God was with them.
 1. Today, God is with His people the church (Matt. 28:20; Heb. 13:5).
 2. He is with us during hard times (2 Cor. 1:3ff.).
 3. He is with us during temptations (1 Cor. 10:13).
 4. His faithful are never really alone (1 John 2:1; 2 Tim. 2:5; Heb. 4:14-16).
- II. The Israelites had anxiety/worry (Exo. 16:1-3).
 - A. God had taken care of them thus far.
 - B. They had witnessed great miracles that the LORD had performed.
 - C. God always supplies our necessities if we are faithful to Him (Matt. 6:24-34; Mark 8:13-21; Psm. 37:25).
 - D. Jesus did not allow worry to overcome Him (Matt. 4:2-4).
 - E. We must make sure that anxiety/worry does not hinder us (Phil. 4:6-7).
- III. Instead of lack of faith and anxiety/worry, God's people should always be thankful (Eph. 5:20).
 - A. Thankfulness can help to destroy a lack of faith and anxiety/worry.
 1. Consider David and Goliath (1 Sam. 17:34-37).
 2. Consider Jesus (John 6:11; 11:41).
 - B. We should never allow ourselves to forget to be thankful (1 Thess. 5:18; Psm. 100:4).

Conclusion

- I. Christians must never forget that God is with us, and everything will be fine (Rom. 8:31).
- II. Lack of faith and anxiety/worry keep us from being thankful as we should.