

From Captivity to the Wilderness: “The Blessings in Failure”
Exodus 16:1-21
August 13, 2023

I. Blessed while being tested. (vs 2-5)

1. Why didn't you leave us alone? (vs 2-3)
Psalm 78:18-20
2. I'm full but how about some real food! (vs 4-5)
Deuteronomy 8:3

“Although He was a son, He learned obedience through what He suffered.” Hebrews 5:8

II. Blessed but disobedient. (vs 13-20; 27-30)

1. The promised blessings with instructions. (vs 13-18)
2. The promised blessings with consequences. (vs 19-20; 27-30)

III. Blessed but ungrateful. (Ch 17:1-7)

1. Really? (vs 2-4 and 7)
2. Grace and mercy in abundance. (vs 5-6)
I Corinthians 10:4; John 4:14

LET'S GO DEEPER:

1. Why does Jesus refer to the manna in John 6:31-35? What are the similarities between the provision of manna in the wilderness and Jesus as the Bread of Life?
2. In what sense can Paul identify the Rock from which Israel drank with Christ (I Cor 10:4)?
3. Why do you believe God's people were so ready to disbelieve His promise and doubt His provision? What ought to encourage you today in the belief that God will meet our needs?