

March 10 — Vessels of Love and Grace

READ

Numbers 32:1-33:56

Numbers 32:15, *"If you turn away from following Him... you will be the cause of their destruction."*

THINK

Our choices impact others. We influence those around us, even if we don't realize they're watching us — especially children! They notice everything we do. They watch us as if they are recording our words and actions. And when the tables turn, we hear our words and see our actions played out in their lives.

God was so angry at the Israelites for their disobedience that He let them wander in the wilderness for forty years until their sinful generation passed away. But, unfortunately, they passed their sin down to the next generation. Their children committed to the same sin, causing God's anger to burn more.

Both generations needed to break this cycle and turn back to God. Otherwise, they would cause further destruction to their people. We, too, must be mindful of our daily choices. Any wrong decision we make might cause someone else to stumble. If we turn away from God and others follow us, we become catalysts for death and destruction. But if we follow Jesus and obey His Word, we become vessels of His love and grace.

We are a living testimony for Christ. We can be part of the problem or a part of the solution — which is living to glorify God. By choosing His will and His way, we become ambassadors for His kingdom and lead others to life everlasting — and that's exactly what God has called us to do!

PRAY

Lord, Help me to live for You. Fill me with Your love and grace so that it overflows to those around me. Draw them to Yourself, so they can experience Your love and know that You are God. Amen.