



“Murmuring”

Toxic and Seditious
Exodus 16:1-9

It’s about our :

I. Feelings - “we did eat bread to the full” (vs. 1-3)

It’s when we feel:

- A. **Discontent** – “the whole congregation ...murmured”
- B. **Dystopian** – “Would to God we had died...in the land”
- C. **Desperate** – “brought us...to kill this whole assembly”

II. Father - “Then said the LORD unto Moses” (vs. 4-5)

It’s when we forget He is our:

- A. **Source** – “I will rain bread from heaven”
- B. **Sufficiency** – “the people shall go out and gather”
- C. **Sovereign** – “prove...whether they will walk in my law”

III. Future - “In the morning , then you shall” (vs. 6-9)

It’s when we should:

- A. **Consider** – “ know that the LORD has brought you out”
- B. **Celebrate** - “ye shall see the glory of the Lord”
- C. **Communicate** - “come near...has heard your murmuring”

Sentence Sermon:

“Show yourself a Christian by suffering without murmuring – in patience possess your soul.”

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Additional Verses

- *Numbers 14:27-38*
- *Psalm 78:25-27*
- *Numbers 11:5, 9, 31-32*
- *Psalm 105:40*
- *Joshua 5:11-12*
- *John 6:48-51*
- *Deuteronomy 8:2-3*
- *Philippians 2:14*
- *I Corinthians 10:8-12*
- *II Corinthians 8:15*

Questions to Ponder:

1. What are the key words or phrases in this passage?
2. Who is the central character of the passage?
3. How long did it take them to murmur about the lack of food?
4. What lessons from the waters of Marah had they forgotten?
5. Why do you think “the whole congregation” murmured?
6. Were the “good old days” really good? Why the nostalgia?
7. How would you describe God’s response to the murmuring?
8. Why does He respond differently in Numbers 14:27-38?
9. What law is God seeking to prove with the manna?
10. Why does Moses want them to “come near” to the Lord?