

GCFSM SUNDAY

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THE GRUMBLING IN THE WILDERNESS

EXODUS 15:22-17:7 | PASTOR NICOLO PADILLA

We ended last week's message with the people of Israel erupting in worship and adoration for who the LORD is, for what the LORD had done, and for what the LORD will do. The Israelites were ecstatic as they witnessed and experienced firsthand how the LORD supernaturally delivered them from Pharaoh, his chariots, and his horsemen. But little did they know, that in just a matter of days, what they sang and declared about the LORD would be tested.

Our passage today emphasizes the grumbling of the people of Israel. Despite knowing the promises of God and despite having just experienced the power of God as they crossed over the Red Sea, the people of Israel found themselves grumbling at every turn. With the seeming lack of water and food, the repetitive grumbling revealed the condition of their hearts.

To help us process our sermon today - which is a lengthy portion in the book of Exodus - we will begin by focusing on what caused their grumbling. In order to appreciate and to feel the weight of our text, it is imperative that we understand where the people of Israel were coming from. If we simply

read our passage from the surface, it's easy to point a finger and conclude that the Israelites were a bunch of stubborn and unbelieving people who had no faith. Although that might be true, the question is, are we any different?

After establishing the cause of their grumbling, we will turn our focus to how the LORD responded.

From 15:22-17:7, the notion of grumbling was repeated ten times. Although the issue of grumbling is clearly at the forefront of our passage, the graciousness of God is gloriously displayed in how He responded to His chosen nation.

At the end of our message, may His Word thrust us deeper into His arms, embracing the truth that in the midst of our own seasons of lack, the greatest provision that God gives, is God Himself, and may this cause us to be rested in Him alone. Amen. ✠

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every 1st Saturdays | 4:00 PM
College Groups
every 3rd Saturdays | 4:00 PM
- **PRECIOUS IN HIS SIGHT**
Ministry for Widows
July 31, 2021, Saturday
10:00 AM via Zoom
- **BLOOM: ROOTS TO FRUIT**
August 7, 2021, Saturday
Speaker: Ms. Jenny Agcaoili
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