

Rebellion and Respect for God's Leadership

Numbers 11, 14, 16

Two kingdoms around us; two realms of living.

Numbers

The journey of God's people from slavery to the Promised Land.

Chapter 11 *An unexpected slap in the face.*

11:1-3 Sets the stage

The people complained!

The Lord was angry.

Moses prayed.

v. 4 The "rabble" among them. If we only had meat!

v. 6 Anything but this manna!

v. 10 Everyone was sad. *Why?*

How would you respond?

v. 19-20 *Why was the Lord upset?* Rejection of his _____.

The responses of Ch. 11 are troubling; those of Ch. 12 are startling.

Chapter 12 *A surprising betrayal.*

12:1-3 Tells the story.

Miriam and Aaron *Are we not just as valuable?*

The Lord "heard."

A penetrating question: *Why were you not afraid?*

Rejection of God's _____.

Chapter 14 *We need a change!*

v. 1-4 *Weeping and grumbling, ... and irrationality.*

Who is being rejected? v. 11

Rebellion and disrespect for God's leadership

• Causes of rebellion:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

What price is paid, what blessings are missed.

Chapter 16 *A final confrontation.*

v. 1-3 *Who do you think you are?*

v. 11 *It is the Lord that you are rebelling against.*

Hebrews 13:17

Principles:

1. Are we shocked by _____?
2. Have we been trained to _____ leadership?
3. Rest in the sovereign plan of God.