

**An Example for Us**  
**6-9-13**

I. I Corinthians 10:1-11

A. Four "Great" Sins of Israel

1. Idolatry
2. Sexual Immorality
3. Tempting God
4. Complaining

a. We often do not link complaining as being evil

B. The Evil of Complaining and Israel

1. Multiple times: Exodus 15:24, 16:2, 17:3, Numbers 11:1, 14:3, 17:5

2. Particular emphasis: Exodus 15:22-27

a. They forgot all that God has done

(1) Delivered them from Egypt

(2) Brought them across the sea

b. In latter complaints, they accused God of being evil

(1) Taking from them better days

(2) Despising them

c. They appeared like fools

(1) God had already acted to provide for them

(2) The tree was ALREADY prepared

(3) Later they camped under 70 palms and 12 wells (one for each tribe!)

II. Making an Application

A. Don't complain in darker moments

1. God has done great things for you - Hebrews 6:9-12

a. If He loved you so much to send His son to die for you (John 3:16), do you really think He would then forget about you?

b. If you paid a fortune for something precious, would you forget about it?

2. God has done great things for you

a. God is good to you in all things: James 1:16-18

b. Do not accuse God of being evil by complaining

3. Do not be the fool

a. No temptation or trial comes that He has not prepared an escape

b. I Corinthians 10:11-13

B. Trust in God:

1. Hebrews 13:5-6