

them of hardships on the way to the Promised Land; and (5) would do their fighting for them and bring them in peace and complete safety to their new home in Canaan.

We noted that, although that is the kind of a God they wanted, they actually got Jehovah! But they were dissatisfied with Him, departed from Him, and moved toward idolatry.

Going back to 1 Corinthians 10, we discover that Paul is not satisfied to point out the Israelites' sins and stop there – he wants to apply these truths and lessons to the believers at Corinth – and to those who would read this epistle in time to come.

And so in verses 6 through 11 he states that these things are examples that we should learn from but not follow:

{6} Now these things occurred as examples to keep us from setting our hearts on evil things as they did.

{7} Do not be idolaters . . .

{8} We should not commit sexual immorality . . .

{9} We should not test the Lord . . .

{10} And do not grumble . . .

{11} These things happened to them as examples and were written down as warnings for us, on whom the fulfillment of the ages has come.