

# **THE DANGER OF DEPARTING FROM THE LIVING GOD**

## **Part 3**

**In the first segment of this series, we saw that the apostle Paul drew lessons for the Corinthian believers from Israel's experience in the wilderness, and warned his readers not to do what the Israelites did.**

**In our text passage, 1 Corinthians 10:1-14, we noted that the children of Israel lusted after evil things, turned to the worship of idols, committed fornication, spoke presumptuously against the Lord, and complained bitterly about the way God graciously provided for their needs.**

**In doing these things, they expressed dissatisfaction with God; and in their departure from daily, vital faith in God they moved toward idolatry.**

**We saw that they wanted a different kind of God than Jehovah, and we discovered that they wanted a God who was different in five ways. They wanted a God who would gratify their sinful appetites, was tangible, would allow them to explore their sexual potential more fully, would relieve them from hardships on their way to the Promised Land, and would do their fighting for them and bring them in peace and safety to their new home in Canaan.**