

Later, when their descendants entered Canaan and began conquering their enemies, God gave them victory after victory, thus proving that they needn't have lost faith in God and needn't have given way to despair, since God was and always had been greater and more powerful than anyone or anything in Canaan, including the inhabitants, the giants, and the great walls of Jericho!

In 1 Corinthians 10:10 Paul says, "And do not grumble, as some of them did – and were killed by the destroying angel."

The children of Israel in the wilderness were such grumblers! They were adept at it! They grumbled their way all through the wilderness!

The word translated "grumble" may also be translated "murmur," "complain," "grouse," or "gripe."

Both "grumble" and "murmur" are onomatopoeic words; that is, the sound of the word suggests its meaning.

"Grumble" is a kind of cross between a growl and a mumble – "grrr-umble."

"Murmur" really sounds like "under-the-breath complaining!" – "mrrr-mrrr."

Twenty-one times in eight different passages in the Old Testament, Israel's grumbling is referred to! The Israelites were great grumblers!

AND GRUMBLING IS A GREAT SIN! Why? Because it reveals both unbelief and dissatisfaction – unbelief that God can provide for our needs, and