

Title: A Complaining Attitude

Text: Num. 11:1-9

Challenge: **We ought to learn to be grateful to God and gracious to others**

Notice...

I. WHAT ARE THE ELEMENTS OF A COMPLAINING ATTITUDE

1. It originates with an unwillingness to accept the things which God orders or allows.
Ro. 8:28; Phil. 4:11
2. It always involves grumbling and griping to others.
Eph. 4:31
3. It almost always blames others and displays bitterness toward them.

II. WHAT ARE SOME OF THE ERRORS INVOLVED IN A COMPLAINING ATTITUDE

1. It is a sinful attitude because it is filled with pride.
Prov. 16:18
2. It is a sinful attitude because it is filled with ingratitude.
Psa. 116:12,13
3. It is a sinful attitude because it blames others for what God is allowing.

III. WHAT IS THE ESSENCE OF A COMPLAINING ATTITUDE

1. It is expressed against others but it is sin against God.
Num. 21:5
2. It is saying, "I'm not willing to accept what God has provided or planned for my life".
I Pet. 4:12

IV. WHAT ARE SOME OF THE EFFECTS OF A COMPLAINING ATTITUDE

1. It can influence others to sin in the very same way.
Prov. 7:16-19
2. It can ruin a person's testimony for Christ.

3. It can result in hurting others without just cause.

4. It can bring about God's judgment to teach us the error of our ways.