

SERMON CHALLENGE

When It Was Too Late to Go Up

Deuteronomy 1:34-46

Name: _____

Date: _____

20 questions · 5 points each · 100 points total. Choose the best answer. For SELECT TWO questions, mark both correct answers.

1. Why had Israel refused to enter Canaan at Kadesh-barnea?

- A. Joshua refused to lead them
- B. Moses told them to remain at Kadesh
- C. They did not believe the LORD
- D. The land had been found to be bad

2. According to Hebrews 3:19 as used in the sermon, Israel could not enter mainly because their enemies were too strong.

_____ True _____ False

3. What did the sermon mean when it said Caleb 'wholly followed the LORD'?

- A. Caleb faithfully followed what God had said at Kadesh
- B. Caleb had never sinned
- C. Caleb was stronger than every other Israelite
- D. Caleb already knew every detail of the conquest

4. Select the TWO statements the sermon taught about Israel's children in verse 39. (SELECT TWO)

- A. Every child was promised personal leadership over Israel
- B. The verse does not establish a universal numerical age of accountability
- C. The children Israel feared would become prey would possess the land
- D. The parents had been correct that entering Canaan would destroy their children

5. What new command did God give the condemned generation in Deuteronomy 1:40?

- A. Remain permanently at Kadesh
- B. Choose new spies for Canaan
- C. Prepare immediately for battle
- D. Turn and journey into the wilderness

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6. The sermon taught that Joshua would enter Canaan and lead Israel into its inheritance.
_____ True _____ False
7. What was wrong with Israel's plan after they said, 'We have sinned against the LORD'?
A. They had forgotten to bring their weapons
B. They followed an earlier command while ignoring God's present command
C. They refused to admit any wrongdoing
D. They decided to abandon Canaan forever
8. The sermon claimed that every Israelite's confession, 'We have sinned,' was certainly insincere.
_____ True _____ False
9. Select the TWO things God explicitly told Israel in Deuteronomy 1:42. (SELECT TWO)
A. Go not up, neither fight
B. I am not among you
C. The Amorites had already fled
D. Caleb would fight in their place
10. How did the sermon explain Israel going 'presumptuously' up the hill?
A. They trusted God's present command completely
B. They quietly waited for further instructions
C. They followed Joshua's new battle plan
D. They acted willfully without God's authorization and against His command

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11. The sermon taught that faith believes God's warning just as surely as it believes His promise.

_____ True _____ False

12. What detail from Numbers 14:44 reinforced that Israel went forward without God's authorization?

- A. Joshua ordered the army up the hill
- B. The Amorites surrendered before the battle
- C. The army went up while the ark and Moses remained in the camp
- D. The ark went ahead of the soldiers

13. Select the TWO statements the sermon taught about Israel's defeat in verse 44. (SELECT TWO)

- A. Their confidence guaranteed victory even without God's approval
- B. The sermon said the different biblical descriptions of the attackers contradict each other
- C. God's warning that they would be smitten came to pass
- D. Numbers identifies Amalekites and Canaanites while Deuteronomy speaks of the Amorite hill country

14. Which sequence describes the hearing pattern emphasized in the sermon?

- A. God heard Caleb, Israel heard Moses, then the Amorites heard God
- B. The LORD heard Israel, Israel would not hear the LORD, then the LORD would not hearken to Israel
- C. Moses heard Israel, Caleb refused to hear, then Joshua heard Moses
- D. Israel heard God, Moses ignored Israel, then Joshua refused to hear

15. The sermon taught that Deuteronomy 1:45 means God would never forgive anyone from that generation or hear any prayer from them again.

_____ True _____ False

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16. According to the sermon, what is the right course after failure when a lost opportunity cannot be restored?

- A. Submit to what God says now and move forward under His present direction
- B. Ignore consequences and continue the same course
- C. Keep trying to recreate the previous opportunity
- D. Assume all future usefulness is over

17. Select the TWO responses the conclusion calls believers to practice. (SELECT TWO)

- A. Believe God when His word gives both promises and warnings
- B. Choose the course that feels most courageous
- C. Treat every lost opportunity as something that can always be recovered
- D. Let Scripture decide the course instead of asking God to approve one already chosen

18. What common problem connected Israel's earlier fear and their later boldness?

- A. They refused to let God's word govern their course
- B. They lacked enough military training
- C. They had never heard God's instructions
- D. They had no leaders willing to speak to them

19. Although that generation lost its place in the conquest, God's promise to Israel still stood.

_____ True _____ False

20. What is the sermon title 'When It Was Too Late to Go Up' meant to emphasize?

- A. God had permanently abandoned every Israelite
- B. Canaan had ceased to be part of God's promise to Israel
- C. Israel had become physically unable to climb the hill
- D. The hill God once commanded them to climb later became a hill He commanded them to leave alone

MEMORY VERSE

Deuteronomy 1:43

So I spake unto you; and ye would not hear, but rebelled against the commandment of the LORD, and went presumptuously up into the hill.