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“God’s Mercy for Man’s Rebellion”
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The Book of Numbers

NUMBERS

GOD + ISRAEL'S JOURNEY FROM

MT SINAI...

MOSES NUMBERS

the people of ISRAEL, sets up camp formation

12 TRIBES

LEVITES

GOD

- Provides shelter when Israel's on the move.
- Center of camp when Israel stops.
- Protector + guide

(1:1-10:10)

... TO PARAN ...

MOSES SPIES OUT LAND

LAND = GOOD. NATIVES = STRONG.

Israel COMPLAINS



(11)

Aaron + Miriam complain

(12)

God punishes them

ISRAEL REBELS

plans to kill Moses + return to Egypt

(14)

GOD BANS

this generation from the land, spares Joshua and Caleb.

NEW LAWS

for living in land

(15)

KORAH REBELS

claims equality with Moses + Aaron

(16)

GOD AFFIRMS

Moses + Aaron, earth swallows Korah... spares sons (26:11)

NEW LAWS

for the priests

(18-19)

(13-19)

Israel COMPLAINS



Aaron + Miriam die, Moses will die too.

(20)

God judges, heals, FIGHTS!

(21)

40 YEARS

... TO THE

PLAINS OF MOAB

NEW CENSUS

this generation enters Caanan (26)

PHINEAS

Aaron's grandson is zealous for God (25)

MEANWHILE



BALAM

tries to curse Israel 7 times...

but GOD only allows him to pronounce

7 BLESSINGS

(22-24)

ALMOST THERE...

- More laws
- Joshua named Moses' successor
- 2 1/2 tribes settle outside the promised land (it's OK)

(22-36)

Numbers 11:1

And when the people complained, it displeased the LORD: and the LORD heard it; and his anger was kindled; and the fire of the LORD burnt among them, and consumed them that were in the uttermost parts of the camp.

Numbers 11:4

And the mixt multitude that was among them fell a lusting: and the children of Israel also wept again, and said, Who shall give us flesh to eat?

Numbers 12:1

12 And Miriam and Aaron spake against Moses because of the Ethiopian woman whom he had married: for he had married an Ethiopian woman.

Numbers 14: 1-2

And all the congregation lifted up their voice, and cried; and the people wept that night.

² And all the children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron: and the whole congregation said unto them, Would God that we had died in the land of Egypt! or would God we had died in this wilderness!

16 Now Korah, the son of Izhar, the son of Kohath, the son of Levi, and Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab, and On, the son of Peleth, sons of Reuben, took men:

² And they rose up before Moses, with certain of the children of Israel, two hundred and fifty princes of the assembly, famous in the congregation, men of renown:

³ And they gathered themselves together against Moses and against Aaron, and said unto them, Ye take too much upon you, seeing all the congregation are holy, every one of them, and the LORD is among them: wherefore then lift ye up yourselves above the congregation of the LORD?

Numbers 16:41

41 But on the morrow all the congregation of the children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron, saying, Ye have killed the people of the LORD.



Numbers 20:3

And the people chode with Moses, and spake, saying, Would God that we had died when our brethren died before the LORD!

Numbers 21:5

⁵ And the people spake against God, and against Moses, Wherefore have ye brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? for there is no bread, neither is there any water; and our soul loatheth this light bread.

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1. Complaining is the opposite of thanksgiving.

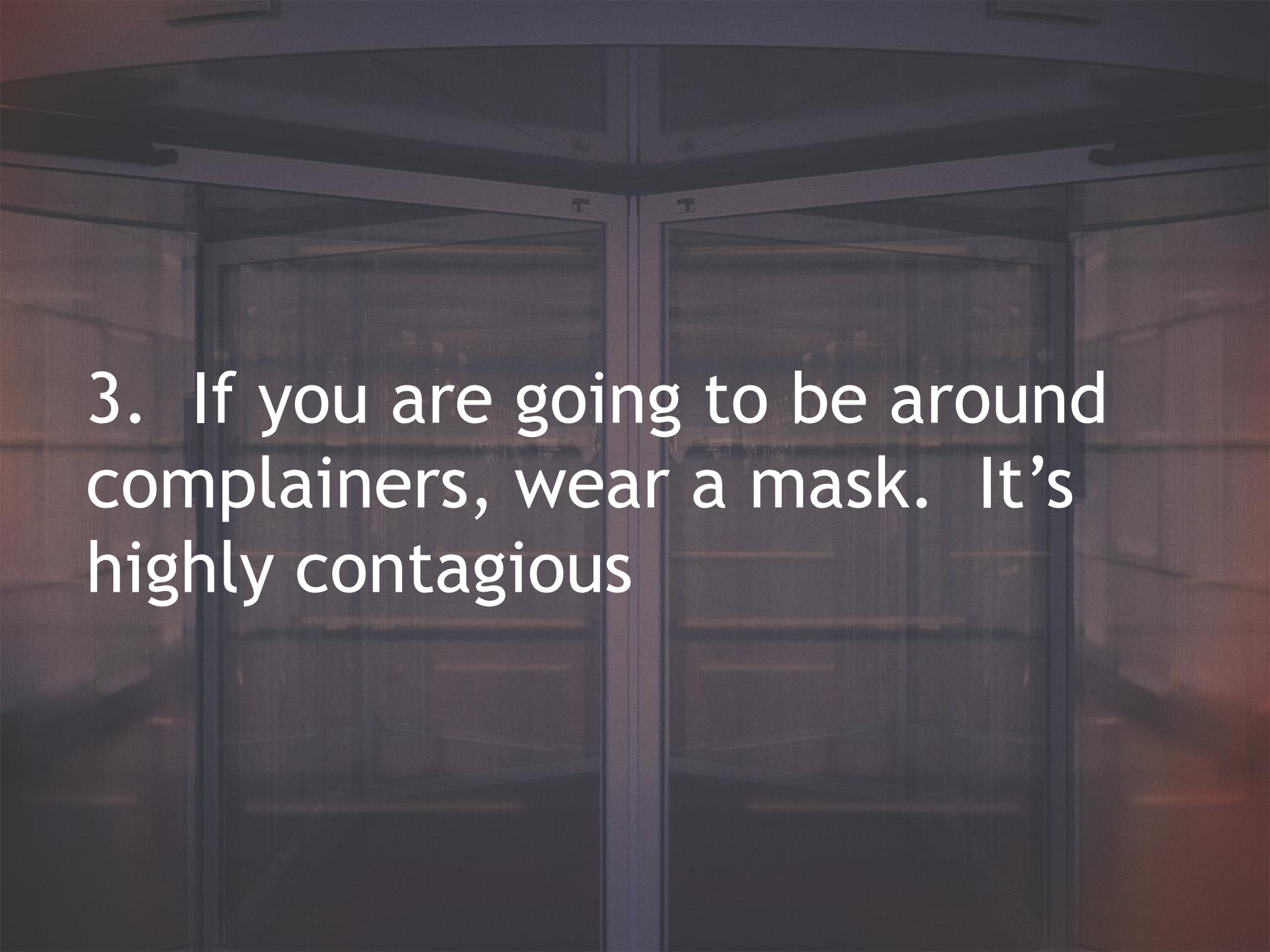


1 Thessalonians 5:18

¹⁸ In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.



2. Whatever we feed, grows

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3. If you are going to be around complainers, wear a mask. It's highly contagious



4. God is personally offended
when we complain about His
plan

41 But on the morrow all the congregation of the children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron, saying, Ye have killed the people of the LORD.

42 And it came to pass, when the congregation was gathered against Moses and against Aaron, that they looked toward the tabernacle of the congregation: and, behold, the cloud covered it, and the glory of the LORD appeared.

43 And Moses and Aaron came before the tabernacle of the congregation.

44 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

45 Get you up from among this congregation, that I may consume them as in a moment. And they fell upon their faces.

46 And Moses said unto Aaron, Take a censer, and put fire therein from off the altar, and put on incense, and go quickly unto the congregation, and make an atonement for them: for there is wrath gone out from the LORD; the plague is begun.

47 And Aaron took as Moses commanded, and ran into the midst of the congregation; and, behold, the plague was begun among the people: and he put on incense, and made an atonement for the people.

48 And he stood between the dead and the living; and the plague was stayed.

49 Now they that died in the plague were fourteen thousand and seven hundred, beside them that died about the matter of Korah.

50 And Aaron returned unto Moses unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation: and the plague was stayed.