

Lord, Change My Attitude

Introduction

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God sent the Israelites back into the wilderness because they _____ murmur _____ or _____ complain _____ against Him.

What about now? (I Corinthians 10)

These things happened to them as _____ examples _____ and were written down as _____ warnings _____ for us,

Those who choose _____ murmuring _____ as their _____ lifestyle _____ will spend their _____ lifetimes _____ in the wilderness.

Working Definition of Attitude:

Attitudes are _____ patterns of thinking _____ formed over a long period of time.

We _____ choose _____ our attitude.

An invitation:

Are you ready for Promised-Land living?

Answer the following five invitation questions:

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| i | Are you open to what the Lord has to say about changing your attitude? | ___Yes | ___No |
| ii | Are you willing to be changed? | ___Yes | ___No |
| iii | Are you willing to change your attitude ? | ___Yes | ___No |
| iv | Are you willing to focus exclusively on your attitude? | ___Yes | ___No |
| v | Are you willing to go after this change of attitude with urgency? | ___Yes | ___No |

Discussion Questions

1. Based on what you have heard and learn so far, describe a period in your life you would identify as a "wilderness experience."

Notes: ... just to get everyone thinking about wilderness

2. What are some biblical passages that address the subject of attitude or thinking?

Notes: ... Heb 4:12 (NIV), Jer 17:9-10, Psa 139:2, Phi 2:5 (NIV, NASB) 1 Kings 11:11 (NIV)

The points are

1. God knows our thoughts and attitudes.

2. It is important to have the right attitude.

3. Why did God decide to wipe out an entire generation of his chosen people?

See Heb 3:7 – 18, 4:1-3

Notes: ... because they rebelled against God, they did not trust in the Lord to deliver them, they provoked God into anger by their grumbling. A lesson that still applies for us today, if we are to enter into God's rest.