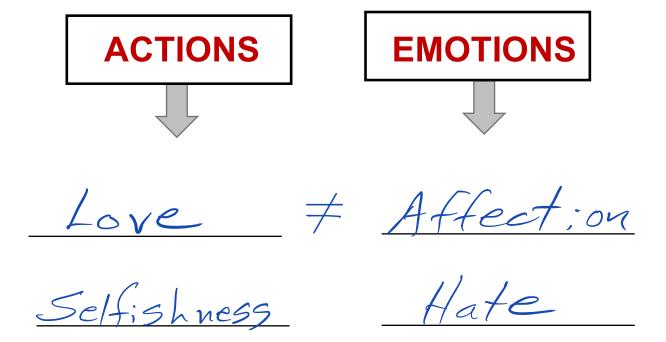
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Psalm 95:10

"For forty years I **loathed** that generation, and said they are a people who err in their heart, and they do not know My ways."

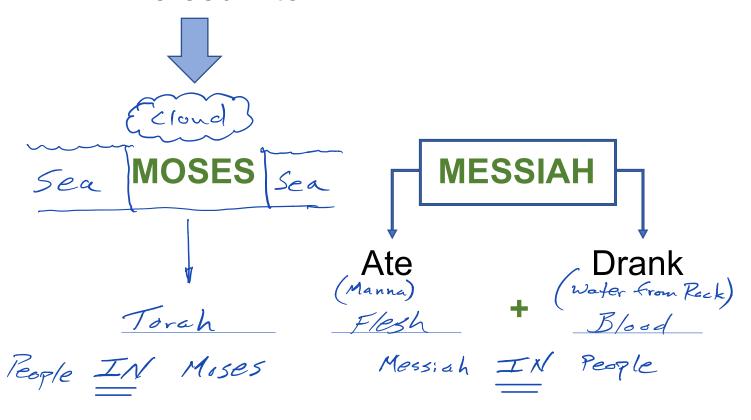
Hebrews 3:17-18

And with whom was He **disgusted** for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? And to whom did He swear that they should not enter His rest, but to those who were disobedient?

John 15:14

"You are My friends, if you do what I command you."

Immersed into



Israel's Exemplary Sins:

#1

Evil Cravings

(Numbers 11)

- People complain
- God becomes angry
- He sends destruction by fire at Taberah ('burning')
- The people crave meat instead of manna
- God grants their request!
- God becomes angry
- People are killed by a plague.
- Those who died were buried in Kibrot Hata'avah ('graves of the lusters')

#2

Idolatry

(Exodus 32)

- When Moses delayed his return, the people got impatient
- The people "corrupt themselves"
- They build & worship a golden calf & call it YHVH
- God becomes angry
 - ... and wants to destroy them
- Moses becomes angry
 - ... and breaks the two stone tablets
- The Levites rally to Moses' call
- 3,000 die at the hands of the Levites

#3

Sexual Immorality

(Numbers 25)

- Moabite women seduce the Israelite men
- God becomes angry
 - o ... and sends a plague
- 23,000 die
- Phinehas' decisive action ended the plague
- Phinehas awarded with a covenant of perpetual priesthood.

#4

Putting Messiah to the Test

(Numbers 21)

- The people grow impatient with the travel
- They complain against God
- They complain against Moses
- They complain against the manna
- (God is not angry; He is numb.)
- God sends poisonous serpents
- Many people die

Grumbling

(Numbers 13-14)

- The people grumble against Moses & Aaron
- They accuse God
- The people become angry at Joshua & Caleb
- All the people die
 - ...except Joshua & Caleb (the faithful)
 - ...and the children (the innocent)

Numbers 14:8

If Adonai is pleased with us, He will bring us into this land and give it to us, a land that flows with milk and honey.

The Idol of the Age:



Warnings to its worshippers:

Proverbs 6:9-11

How long will you lie down, O sluggard? When will you arise from your sleep? "A little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to rest" – and your poverty will come in like a robber, and your need like an armed man.

Revelation 3:16-22

Matthew 25:10-12

"And while they were going away to make the purchase, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the wedding feast; and the door was shut. And later the other virgins also came, saying, 'Lord, lord, open up for us.' But he answered and said, 'Truly I say to you, I do not know you."

Discussion Questions:

- How can God love someone and dislike them at the same time? (Are there people you love, but also dislike intensely?)
- What must you do to become Yeshua's "friend"?
- Who is the Destroyer in verse 10?
- How big of a role does the idol of comfort play in your own life? What specific thing do you plan to do about it?

NOTES:

John 6:52-56 The Judeans therefore *began* to argue with one another, saying, "How can this man give us *His* flesh to eat?" Yeshua therefore said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you have no life in yourselves. He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. For My flesh is true food, and My blood is true drink. He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood abides in Me, and I in him."

Deut. 8:15-16 He led you through the great and terrible wilderness, with its fiery serpents and scorpions and thirsty ground where there was no water. He brought water for you out of the rock of **flint**. In the wilderness He fed you manna which your fathers did not know, that He might humble you <u>and that He might test you</u>, to do good for you in the end.

Psalm 114:8 Who turns the rock into a pool of water, the flint into a spring of water.

Deut. 32:13 He made him ride on the high places of the land, and he ate the produce of the field, and he suckled him with honey out of the rock, and oil out of the flinty rock.

Based upon *b.Taanit 9a*, and Numbers 20:1-2, Rashi comments: *From here we see that the entire forty years that the Israelites spent in the wilderness they had the Well through the merit of Miriam*.

#1 - Numbers 11

¹⁻³ Now the people became like those who complain of adversity in the hearing of Adonai; and when Adonai heard *it*, His anger was kindled, and the fire of Adonai burned among them and consumed *some* of the outskirts of the camp. ² The people therefore cried out to Moses, and Moses prayed to Adonai, and the fire died out. ³ So the name of that place was called *Taberah* ["burning"], because the fire Adonai burned among them...

⁴⁻⁶ And the rabble who were among them <u>had greedy desires</u> [lit. "lusted with craving"]; and also the sons of Israel wept again and said, "Who will give us meat to eat? We remember the fish which we used to eat free in Egypt, the cucumbers and the melons and the leeks and the onions and the garlic, but now <u>our appetite is gone</u> [lit. "our soul is dried up"]. There is nothing at all to look at except this manna [lit. "There is nothing but this manna for our eyes…"]."

... ³¹⁻³⁴ Now there went forth a wind from Adonai, and it brought quail from the sea, and let *them* fall beside the camp, about a day's journey on this side and a day's journey on the other side, all around the camp, and about two cubits *deep* on the surface of the ground. And the people spent all day and all night and all the next day and gathered the quail (he who gathered least gathered ten homers) and they spread *them* out for themselves all around the camp. While the meat was still between their teeth, before it was chewed, the anger of Adonai was kindled against the people, and Adonai struck the people with a very severe plague. So the name of that place was called *Kibrot Hata'avah* ["graves of the lusters"], because there they buried the people who had been greedy.

Psalm 106:13-15 They quickly forgot His works; they did not wait for His counsel, but craved intensely in the wilderness, and tested God in the desert. So He gave them their request, but sent a wasting disease among them.

#2 - Exodus 32

#3 - Numbers 25:1-9

While Israel remained at Shittim, the people began to play the harlot with the daughters of Moab. For they invited the people to the sacrifices of their gods, and the people ate and bowed down to their

gods. So Israel joined themselves to Baal of Peor, and Adonai was angry against Israel. And Adonai said to Moses, "Take all the leaders of the people and execute them in broad daylight before Adonai, so that the fierce anger of Adonai may turn away from Israel." So Moses said to the judges of Israel, "Each of you slay his men who have joined themselves to Baal of Peor." Then behold, one of the sons of Israel came and brought to his relatives a Midianite woman, in the sight of Moses and in the sight of all the congregation of the sons of Israel, while they were weeping at the doorway of the tent of meeting. When Phinehas the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, saw it, he arose from the midst of the congregation, and took a spear in his hand and he went after the man of Israel into the tent, and pierced both of them through, the man of Israel and the woman, through the body. So the plague on the sons of Israel was checked. And those who died by the plague were 24,000.

Psalm 106:28-31 Then they yoked themselves to the Baal of Peor, and ate sacrifices offered to the dead; they provoked Adonai to anger with their deeds, and a plague broke out among them. Then Phinehas stood up and intervened, and the plague was stayed. And that was counted to him as righteousness from generation to generation forever.

#4 - Numbers 21:5-9

And the people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food." Then Adonai sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. And the people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned, for we have spoken against Adonai and against you. Pray to Adonai, that he take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. And Adonai said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live." So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

#5 - Numbers 14:2, 26-37

And all the people of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron... And Adonai spoke to Moses and to Aaron, saying, ²⁷ "How long shall this wicked congregation grumble against me? I have heard the grumblings of the people of Israel, which they grumble against me. 28 Say to them, 'As I live, declares Adonai, what you have said in my hearing I will do to you: 29 your dead bodies shall fall in this wilderness, and of all your number, listed in the census from twenty years old and upward, who have grumbled against me, 30 not one shall come into the land where I swore that I would make you dwell, except Caleb the son of Jephunneh and Joshua the son of Nun. 31 But your little ones, who you said would become a prey, I will bring in, and they shall know the land that you have rejected. 32 But as for you, your dead bodies shall fall in this wilderness. ³³ And your children shall be shepherds in the wilderness forty years and shall suffer for your faithlessness, until the last of your dead bodies lies in the wilderness. ³⁴ According to the number of the days in which you spied out the land, forty days, a year for each day, you shall bear your iniquity forty years, and you shall know my displeasure.' 35 I, Adonai, have spoken. Surely this will I do to all this wicked congregation who are gathered together against me: in this wilderness they shall come to a full end, and there they shall die." And the men whom Moses sent to spy out the land, who returned and made all the congregation grumble against him by bringing up a bad report about the land—³⁷ the men who brought up a bad report of the land—died by plague before Adonai.

Ex. 11:4 So Moses said, "Thus says Adonai: 'About midnight <u>I will go out in the midst of Egypt</u>, ⁵ and every firstborn in the land of Egypt shall die, from the firstborn of Pharaoh who sits on his throne, even to the firstborn of the slave girl who is behind the handmill, and all the firstborn of the cattle.

Ex. 12:13 The blood shall be a sign for you, on the houses where you are. And when I see the blood, <u>I will pass over you</u>, and no plague will befall you to destroy you, <u>when I strike the land of Egypt</u>.

Ex. 12:23 For Adonai will pass through to strike the Egyptians, and when he sees the blood on the lintel and on the two doorposts, Adonai will pass over the door and will not allow the destroyer to enter your houses to strike you.

Ex. 12:27 you shall say, 'It is the sacrifice of Adonai's Passover, for he passed over the houses of the people of Israel in Egypt, when <u>he struck the Egyptians</u> but spared our houses.'" And the people bowed their heads and worshiped.

Revelation 3:16-22 "I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot. I would that you were cold or hot. ¹⁶ So because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of My mouth. ¹⁷ Because you say, 'I am rich, and have become wealthy, and have need of nothing,' and you do not know that you are wretched and miserable and poor and blind and naked, ¹⁸ I advise you to buy from Me gold refined by fire, that you may become rich, and white garments, that you may clothe yourself, and *that* the shame of your nakedness may not be revealed, and eye salve to anoint your eyes, that you may see. ¹⁹ Those whom I love, I reprove and discipline. Be zealous therefore, and repent. ²⁰ Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him, and will dine with him, and he with Me. ²¹ He who overcomes, I will grant to him to sit down with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne. ²² He who has an ear, let him hear what the spirit says to the assemblies."