

GIVING GOD CREDIT THAT GOD DESERVESor **How Moses Let God Down at Meribah**

Numbers 20:1-13, 23

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- † Numbers 20 is a scripture that I need to read maybe 10 times a month. Maybe more!

- † It is the human spirit disease. Living in Meribah.

- † Why was Almighty God so upset with Moses? And with Aaron, his brother? God expected this behavior out of the Israelites. Not from Moses.

- † Moses took credit for what God did.
AND, listen, the bunch of us do that all the time !
That is why I need to read this 10 X a month - or more.

- † We play God and don't even realize it. Just like Moses did.

- † Anything good that has happened to you is from God and not from you.
We can take credit for so much that God does. Like Moses does.

- † We would have been gone a long time ago if it were not for Almighty God's amazing grace to us.

- † Deuteronomy 6:13 says, "Fear the LORD your God." - meaning to fear Him (which most have lost in the last 100 years or so) and to honor Him.

- † How about that:
 - addiction you got out of
 - that debt that you got out of
 - the problem your kids got into that you saw no way out
 - that severe sickness you had (past tense)
 - that house that you got or job that you wanted way back

Where did you place the credit?

- † God kept Moses from going into the Promised Land for taking credit for what God did and acting like he (Moses) did it.
- † That is flesh talk - not God victory talk.
- † Jesus, our Savior, went to the cross to free us from flesh talk. Don't ever think that God hasn't shed the human equivalent of tears over you, and the things that you sometimes take credit for.
- † The last words of Jesus on earth were, "You shall be my witnesses." Meaning, if you aren't witnessing to My work and the miracles that I do in your life, how are your family, friends, neighbors, etc. going to know. I need witnesses!
- † There is no "luck" in the Kingdom of God. To Almighty God, the word "luck" quacks like a duck.
- † What are we going to miss out on when we take credit for the things that God does for us and through us (through the Holy Spirit).
- † That is why I need to read Numbers 20 ten times a month.

Memory Verse:

"You shall be My witnesses." —Acts 1:8