

# The Warning Example of Israel

## 1 Corinthians 10:01–13

### 1 *The example of Israel:*

#### *All shared the blessings of God*

##### a. The blessings

- 1) Cloud (guidance)
- 2) Sea (deliverance)
- 3) The baptism into Moses (leadership)
- 4) Food and water (spiritual nourishment)
- 5) The presence of Christ

##### b. The displeasure of God: Some were rejected — perished in the desert

### 2 *The warning*

##### a. Crave not evil things — as they did

##### b. Be not idolaters — as some of them were

##### c. Commit no immorality — as some of them committed

##### d. Try not the Lord's patience — as some of them tried it

##### e. Complain not — as some of them complained

1 For I do not want you to be ignorant of the fact, brothers, that our forefathers were all under the cloud and that they all passed through the sea.

2 They were all baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea.

3 They all ate the same spiritual food

4 And drank the same spiritual drink; for they drank from the spiritual rock that accompanied them, and that rock was Christ.

5 Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them; their bodies were scattered over the desert.

6 Now these things occurred as examples to keep us from setting our hearts on evil things as they did.

7 Do not be idolaters, as some of them were; as it is written:  
“The people sat down to eat and drink and got up to indulge in pagan revelry.”

8 We should not commit sexual immorality, as some of them did — and in one day twenty-three thousand of them died.

9 We should not test the Lord, as some of them did — and were killed by snakes.

10 And do not grumble, as some of them did — and were killed by the destroying angel.

**3 *The point:***

***Receive the warning***

- a. The climax of the age has come
- b. Fear,  
if you think you stand,  
lest you fall
- c. Know the way to escape temptation
  - 1) No temptation is unique;  
all temptation  
is common to all men
  - 2) God limits temptation
  - 3) God provides an escape

11 These things happened to them as examples and were written down as warnings for us, on whom the fulfilment of the ages has come.

12 So,  
if you think you are standing firm,  
be careful that you don't fall!

13 No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can stand up under it.