

3. The Israelites gave into their fear. There are consequences to not following God in faith. Read Numbers 14:1-4.

A) Who are they blaming for their problems and what did they want to do to fix it?

B) What do you think the heart attitude was for those who no longer wanted God as their leader?

After they grumbled and complained, God pronounced that all the adults would wander in the wilderness for 40 years and their kids and grandkids would take the land after they were gone.

4. Saul was persecuting Christians wherever he could find them. He was on his way to Damascus to do just that when he had an encounter with Jesus. His life was changed forever but those around him did not know this fact. Read Acts 9:10-12. What did God tell Ananias to do?

5. Ananias reaches a point of having to choose fear or to have faith in God. Read Acts 9:13-14. What was the obstacle Ananias saw that might stop him from doing God's will?

6. Read Acts 9:15-16. God pulls back the curtain to show Ananias the future of Paul's ministry. What do we see that God uses these moments of choosing faith over fear to accomplish?

7. Read Acts 9:17-19. Ananias obeyed and God did what he said he was going to do. How do you think this affected Ananias' faith?

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1. When has your fear become bigger than your God? Share your experience.

2. What do you do when fear seems to be winning in your life?

3. Ananias listened to God. How are you doing at listening to Jesus' voice?