

the first little hot wind blew it withered away and died. We need to have deep roots. We need to be able to last ~~awhile~~ ~~awhile~~. So I thought I'd make two subheads under small a. The Situation

- 1) The Food from Egy. was used up
- 2) They had not realized the length of the journey
- 3) They were longing for what had been left behind - and that is the natural experience that comes to all as we enter the Christian life everything seems to be so wonderful that we think we've laid everything else behind us and just forget it. Christ will find all our needs. But before long we find ourselves beginning to long for what we've left behind. Here in chapter 16, vs. 3 "The Children of Israel said to Moses and Aaron, Would to God we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egy. when we sat by the flesh pots and when we ate bread to the full. You have brought us forth into the wilderness to ~~kill~~ this whole assembly with hunger. They looked back to what they had left behind in Egypt, and the time comes to every Christian when we look back to what is behind. We look back to experiences we have had, and God ~~wants~~ ^{then} wants us to think through these things. It is easy - some become Christians and then they think everything in life except this is ~~of~~ of no importance and many a Christian gets so unbalanced in his attitude that people consider him a fanatic and he takes natural ~~phases~~ phases of life that have a real place in the life of every one of us, but which formerly ^{perhaps} had been expressed in a distorted way in his unChristian life, and he just puts them ~~entirely~~ entirely out of his life and ^{they} just build up and build up within him until the pressure gets almost irresistible and many a man falls because he does not realize that God wants us to live ~~normal~~ normal lives. He wants every phase of our life to be satisfied, but he wants to be first in everything. He wants us to live godly lives, but not unnatural lives.

But how easy it is for us to look back to Egy. as we go on in the journey, and this comes more during the early part of the journey, but it can come to us at