

Moses said how impossible this is, that you've said is going to happen. Now Moses was a man of great faith, and it is one of the great things about Moses ~~his~~ his faith and his trust in God. But here we find that Moses was incredulous of God's promise. Now we want to be sure that the promises are really promises that have come from God. Many a Christian group has been greatly misled, because somebody declares ~~a~~ something is going to have, that God is going to work a thing a certain way., that He is going to protect a certain movement or a certain individual or a certain group of people. He is going to accomplish tremendous things through them and people have found themselves terribly disappointed when God has not worked the way they expected. We must get ~~out~~ our guidance from the Word of God and not ~~from~~ what some human being ~~thing~~ thinks God is going to do or to have to do. God may choose to have one part of the work go down seemingly in failure in order that in the way the people take it, in the way they handle themselves ~~in~~ in the situation they make a testimony that God will use in a tremendous way after they are gone ~~in~~ when they don't even know about it. We don't know God's plans to the full. But when we find a promise in the Scriptures. When we find something that ~~is~~ ^{we are} definitely sure is God's will and God's promise, we can trust it and we can know that it will work out. We will all of us have periods of incredulity like Moses here. We'll say How could this happen? How is that even possible? But we want to learn to trust God and to know that whatever He definitely promises in His Word is absolutely sure. Of course God spoke directly to Moses here, but rarely if ever does He speak ^{directly} to people in this way today. And so we cannot put the same confidence in what any huamn being tells us is God's will. We should get our guidance directly from the Word. But when we get it -- we will be incredulous at times, but let us keep those times as small as we can. Here is one of the few cases where you find Moses' human feeling coming out. Twice this way in this one chapter. God' wants to show us that even His greatest workers are men of flesh and blood and not men of iron. ~~He~~ Moses was a human being, a man of passions like unto our own. But ~~God~~ God used him in a most marvellous and tremendous way. So this was Moses' expression of incredulity, here but God answe~~r~~ed him. And God answered him in vs. 23.