

E. The People's Terror. 14:1-10. And what a shock it must have been, to Moses and to Joshua/~~W~~ and to Caleb to see what happened. All the congregation lifted up their voice and cried; and the people wept that night. People often go like sheep. They just move this direction or that and you can't always predict how they are going to go. And that's true of students too. That's true of all sorts of people. People can move this way, that way, the other way because one or two people talk a lot and others simply keep quiet or because some emotional feeling carries them along in one direction or another. And so that's what happened here. They all lift up their voice and cried, and murmured against Moses and against Aaron, and said Would God we had died in the land of ~~Egypt~~ Egypt! or would God we had died in this wilderness! Why has the Lord brought us into this land to fall by the sword, that our wives and our children should be a prey? were it not better for us to return into Egypt? So we have a longing for Egypt here. They said one to another Let us make a captain. and let us ~~return~~ return into Egypt. And when you go into the Lord's work you're going to have periods when you feel like going back to Egypt, and the sad thing is how many do it. I look back on over 400 students I've trained, and it is amazing to see how many/^{of them are} today ~~are~~ leaders in great works for God. Many different works of different types. Some of them ~~are~~ on almost every continent. It is amazing to see how many of them are doing a very fine work for God, but it is also sad to see individuals who have gone back to Egypt. How many of them have actually given up their faith? I don't think many of them have. There are one or two I know of, but I don't think there are many who have given up their faith. I think there are many we don't hear of who have become discouraged, who have left the Lord's work, have gone into secular work but who are teaching Sunday School classes and who are doing a real work for God in a small way in their spare time. It is sad how people do fall by the wayside. We have to keep our eyes on the Lord and look to him for his strength. You can't predict who it is going to be. But they say, Would God we had died in the land of Egypt! Let's go back to Egypt. I think everybody gets that feeling at times. There is nobody probably who does not at times have the feeling, I ~~would~~ ought to go back to Egypt. Or at least I ought to go into something where