

NINTH OF AV WARNS US (Numbers 14)

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LYRICS

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dedicated to THE LORD, 16 July 2013 - the Ninth of Av

Album: Amazing Immanuel 'n' Israel

READINGS are from **NUMBERS 13 and 14 history of God's Israel Nation** on the first historical date of the Ninth of Av. Psalm 105 and 106, summarizes these events.

God never forgets History-changing dates. Do we?

THIS IS A HEART-BREAKING SONG of what we **STILL** do to God, who has already done so **MUCH** for us... yet we **struggle** to trust Him. And thus **HURT** Him. And give Satan **SO** much joy... like the beginning-- hinting that God lied to Eve and Adam...

OPENING READING

THE 9TH OF AV IS A DATE ON ISRAEL'S CALENDAR THAT WARNS ALL OF US TODAY. From Numbers 13, starting at 25:

The 12 spies returned from spying out the land after 40 days. They told Moses and Aaron and all the children of Israel in the wilderness of Paran,

27- 31 [paraphrase] The land truly flows with milk and honey, and this is its huge fruit. Nevertheless, the people who dwell in the land are strong. The cities are fortified and very large. Ten of the 12 said "We are not able to go up against the people, for they are stronger than we." And they gave the children of Israel a **BAD** report of the land, including "We saw giants.... and we were like grasshoppers...."

NUMBERS 14 -- So all the congregation lifted up their voices and cried, and the people wept that night. And all the children of Israel complained, "Why has the **LORD** brought us to this land to fall by the sword?"

NUMBERS 14 continues, telling how the people wanted to **RETURN** to Egypt. How the people **REFUSED** to trust God's love and protection after all God had done. And starting in verse 21, **GOD** says --

"Because they have seen my glory and the signs and have not heeded My voice, they certainly shall NOT see the land I promised.

The date was the Ninth of Av, when the people refused to trust God. Refused to **OBEY** God. And in the centuries since then, many bad things have happened to Israel on the Ninth of Av. Romans 11 tells how God grafts into His people all of us who trust Him as **LORD** and obey. So.... **the NINTH OF AV STILL WARNS US TODAY.**

AFTER SCRIPTURES -- verses 1,2,3 (next page)

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VERSES 1, 2, 3 (after scriptures)
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2

On the 9th day of Av they chose -- refused --
to enter the Land God gave them.

And bad things still happen on the 9th of Av --
as God reminds them to trust HIM.

3

What of US? Do we refuse to trust God despite
all of the Love God shows?

Will we force God to teach US with Bad problems --
as God reminds US to trust HIM?

Song Story. Written in minutes during a time of forcing myself to trust that -- despite
circumstances -- God will do what's best with the music ministries I pray bring Him joy.