

Faith vs Unbelief

Mob

Caleb & Joshua

Fact #1 Num 13:27 land = as God promised

Fact #2 13:28-29 a fight ahead

**“Grasshopper”
Interpretation 13:31-14:4
Occupants stronger than
we are → we’re going to
die and our families
destroyed**

**“Bread” Interpretation
13:30; 14:8-9
Lord is stronger than they
are → we can be victorious
IF we obey**

Intercessory Prayer

Doctrine Glory of God as non-negotiable → Ultimate rationale of the intercessory prayer (*Moses & Yahweh enter into a man-to-man confrontation*)

Point 1: 14:13-14 → historical events known among the nations as identified with Yahweh

Point 2: 14:15-16 → collapse of the nation → “failure” of Yahweh seen like the pagan “musical chairs” theology

Point 3: 14:17-18 → stick with the Word (Ex 20:5) = no compromise with your glory because your forgiveness is through substitutionary blood atonement

Point 4: 14:19 → forgiveness to the NATION (elect in Ab Cov) = let it survive

Sinai Terrain



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Kadesh Barnea



“aseity” of God

Independent, Self-contained (*vs. derivative, dependent creature*)

 = Yahweh

 ויאמר אלהים אל-מושה אהיה אשר אהיה

“condescension” of God

He “comes down” (*to our creature level*) in conversation and contract-making



Abrahamic Covenant

Gen. 12:1-3 the call

Gen. 15:5-21 the signing

Gen. 17:1-14 the symbol

**Gen. 22:15-18
confirmation**

Royal Grant

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inferior merely on the
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It is now agreed that the OT gives evidence of the 'royal grant' model based upon ancient Assyrian prototypes. . . .The Ab Cov is akin to the royal grant model in that it is. . .unconditional in form and intent and consists of the awarding of a blessing by a superior to an inferior merely on the basis of the benefactor's good will and loyalty of the beneficiary.” Eugene Merrill, A Theology of the OT, p. 239

“The one who passed through was binding himself by the symbolism, under punishment of death, to fulfill the oath or promise.” Allen Ross, Creation and Blessing, p. 312.