

Adult Class

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The Story of the Bible
Connecting the Dots

The Time Periods...

- Before the Flood
- The Flood
- The Scattering of the People
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Genesis 49:10 – Judah will never lose the scepter (until Jesus comes)

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Exodus 12:28-33

The exactness with which God demands His commands be followed is evidenced here.

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Notice the people’s reaction to adversity – murmuring/complaining (Deuteronomy 1:27)

The people were too cowardly to openly rebel (hiding from God?)

Note the connection between complaining, grumbling, and gossiping

Proverbs 16:28

Proverbs 18:8

Proverbs 26:20

Complaining helps us to rationalize rebellion

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