

C. Tool 6: Let Us Not Grumble

1. **1 Corinthians 10.10:** “Nor grumble, as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer.”

a. The _____ admonition to the Corinthians, taken from the history of Israel is that they were not to *grumble as some of them did*

- (1) The word translated ‘grumble’ is *gonggodzo*, and is always used in the New Testament in relationship to complaints spoken _____ and/or about someone
- (2) Other translations translate it: murmur, complain, discontentedly complain, and stir up discontent
- (3) **‘grumble’** – “complain or protest about something in a bad-tempered but typically muted way”; “a low _____ sound”

b. The _____ of God’s people grumbling is clearly revealed in that our examples, the people of Israel, were *destroyed by the destroyer* for the grumbling

- (1) *apollumi* – ‘To ruin or destroy fully’
- (2) The ‘destroyer’ in this passage is probably referring to the Angel of the Lord sent to bring judgement in many instances in Scripture

c. This historical warning is taken from the history of Israel in the wilderness, navigating between eras found in Numbers 16 where the sons of Korah rebel against Moses & Aaron, are subsequently judged by God, and then the people grumble about that judgement

2. **Korah’s Rebellion** – Numbers 16.1-19

a. **Numbers 16.1-3**

- (1) It has been quite some time now since the Exodus, and things have seemingly not been going too well for the Children of Israel
- (2) Korah and his sons, along with Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliah, and On, with some of the sons of Reuben, **‘took action’**
- (3) This is not a rebellion of the people, but of the _____!
- (4) Their ‘action’ that they took was basically that they had had enough of Moses & Aaron’s ‘_____’ leadership was well laid out along the following points:
- (5) **Point # 1: “You have gone far enough”**

(6) **Point # 2: “For all the congregation are holy, every one of them, the Lord is in their midst”**

(7) **Point # 3: “So why do you exalt yourself above the assembly of the Lord?”**

b. Numbers 16.4-19

(1) Moses first response was to fall on his face before the one who had appointed him as the leader of the people, the _____ (vs. 4)

(2) Korah is instructed to bring himself and all his company, together with their fire-filled censers to the doorway of the tent of meeting, for their in the presence of the Lord, the Lord would _____ ‘who is His’, and ‘the one whom He will choose’ (vs. 5-7)

(3) Moses now repeats their _____ words to them: “You have gone far enough, you sons of Levi!”

(4) Moses deals directly with their charges and desires, _____ the true and underlying reason and source of the actions (vs. 8-11)

(5) The root causes are clear:

(a) **Number 1:** Dissatisfaction with a _____ role in ministry stemming from _____

(b) **Number 2:** Spiritual _____ for illegitimate ranking

(c) **Number 3:** _____ of delegated authority

(d) **Number 4:** Broken _____ with the Lord

(e) **Number 5:** Lack of _____ seen in including Aaron in their rebellion simply because he stood with Moses

(6) Moses then sends ‘a summons’ for Dathan and Abiram to come to the meeting, but they _____ to come to the Tent of Meeting to meet with Moses, and the Lord! (vs. 12-14)

(7) Moses Freaks! (vs. 15-19)