

The O. T. in the Life of the Believer

Lecture V on Numbers

Thank you Mr. Clark. This morning I went over the material for the lecture today very carefully and got some references in mind and marked them in my Bible and had some little slips in so I could find them quickly, then walked out the door and left the Bible on the table with the notes there. I had them however well enough in mind that I don't ~~think~~ think that it will inconvenience us any today, except that I might get a number in the outline slightly wrong. That's the only ^{way in} which I think it will possibly inconvenience us very slightly. So if there is a number in the outline that doesn't fit exactly with what I gave you before / you will understand that it is because I didn't remember one ~~of~~ or two of the numbers.

Last time when we were together we were speaking about the first stage of the wilderness journey. That which precedes the Book of Numbers. And we looked at different elements of it, and the last three of them I rushed over very hurriedly because of wanting to reach a definite point when we would be a period of time before we would be continuing again. And I believe it was No. 10, that's the point I am not certain on, whether it is 10 or 11, but I think it was 10 was the attack by Amalek, and that I barely mentioned. And I do believe that we ~~we~~ ought to look at that a little bit more. I think those last two or three points we ought to spend a little more time on - that I just hurriedly mentioned to round it out last time. This attack by Amalek is described in Ex. 17, vs. 8-16. I will read them to you: (see Scripture text)

Now the first thing I notice in connection with this story is that it brings out the fact that our Scripture history is incomplete. There are many aspects that we are not told, and consequently we must go very slow about reading things into it or ~~that~~ assuming that things did not happen because they are not mentioned. You notice it merely says, "Then came Amalek and fought with Israel." That's all that there. it says / And how did they come to come and attack? Did they attack them in front?