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Epic Failures – Where God’s People Blew It

I’ve Fallen And I Can’t Get Up

Introduction

Talk about wandering in the desert

Eating Manna

Moses - Striking the rock and never entering the promised land

Failure

Question: Describe a time in your life when you were given specific instructions but you didn't follow them exactly (Numbers 20:2-11)

Moses got specific instructions, but he wanted to make a show of it to the Israelites. He did more than what God asked, and not in the way God asked.

They still got the desired result, but not the desired method.

Consequence

Question: Describe the ramifications of not following the instructions specifically. (Numbers 20:12-13)

Moses and Aaron, who had escaped the sentence of not entering the promised land with the rest of their generation, were now banned from entering.

Restoration

Question: How did you allow this mistake to change how you followed instructions in the future? (Deuteronomy 34:1-8, Matthew 17:2-3)

Even though he couldn't enter, God allowed him to see the promise he had made to Abraham.

We know Moses was tight with God because in Matthew we see him meet with Jesus.

Conclusion

It's important when given specific instructions to carry them out specifically

Even though we may not understand the instructions or big picture, we need to trust the one, God, who does.