

Numbers 27:12-14

MOSES MUST DIE OUTSIDE CANAAN

1. Moses request.
 1. God tells him to climb a mountain in order to see the land promised, and then he will die.
 2. Then Moses prayerfully asks God to revoke His sentence forbidding him to enter Canaan.
 1. His motive is to see more of the mighty hand of God.
 2. Moses desired Canaan and did not want the sign of rejection from the heavenly Canaan.
 3. God's refusal is because this sanctifies Him before the people.
2. God refused to grant Moses request.
 1. God's answer does not allow any such request and even expresses displeasure that Moses asked.
 2. God's refusal is because of Moses past sin and his present sin: God was angry with Moses for your sakes.
 1. This is not an accusation of Israel by Moses: it is your fault;
 2. This expresses that God's love for Israel was greater and it was against them that Moses had sinned.
 3. Moses position made his sin greater.
 4. As severe as is the judgment, God's grace is sufficient: Let it suffice thee (26).
 5. And this makes us see that Moses is not THE Mediator, but only an imperfect type of Jesus.
3. Moses submission was that he accepted God's will for him, trusting His grace to be enough.
 1. Moses is to die when the work God gave him to do was finished (34:5).
 2. Accepting God's sufficient grace, Moses leaves the people with warnings and blessings.
 3. God showed Moses all the land of Canaan, likely by increasing his eyesight (34:4).
 4. God buried Moses - most unique burial (34:6).