

God has not ~~ordinarily~~ ordinarily since the days of the Apostles entered in with supernatural power, but those who have looked to him and tried to follow Him, He has blessed as they have endeavored to keep their particular areas true to the Lord and to cause the light ^{still} to burn in it. But at the beginning in the days of the Apostles He poured forth tremendous of these supernatural acts.

So ~~this place~~ ^{displays} ~~of~~ ^{unusual} supernatural and/divine power are not common in most parts of the OT. Their occurrence in ~~most parts of~~ the Bible is mostly confined to 4 definite groups, and yet the wilderness journey is described as having many supernatural elements. And in the problems that I asked you to state in the first assignment that I gave, we had some many very interesting problems. I thought it was most fruitful -- that particular assignment, and many of those suggestions that were made we will discuss at different times as we go through the course, but one thing we cannot get away from is that this particular point -- the wilderness journey was one of the points where God ~~did~~ did perform many great ~~supernatural~~ supernatural acts. We have the pillar of cloud and fire guiding the people. We have the deliverance in the Red Sea. We have the manna provided for 40 years. And if anyone tries to explain ^{all of} these as purely natural events, we find ⁱⁿ Deut. 29:5 that Moses speaking to people who had been in the wilderness for 40 yrs. says to ^{are} them, vs. 5: "I have led you 40 yrs. in the wilderness, your clothes were not waxen old upon you, and thy shoe is not waxen old upon thy foot." Well if you have ever done any wilderness walking, you know that shoes do not last long in that kind of country. That is one of the real problems is carrying enough footwear with you if you have a long wilderness journey to go in the actual wilderness. And here he says that God caused their shoes and their clothes to last through the 40 years. ~~Surely~~ Certainly a divine miracle if there ever was.

And so we have problems about the great number of people; how God took care of them; how they were able to make this trip through the wilderness. We have problems