

the Hebrews in the wilderness journey, but it is not as far as any evidence goes involved in this particular chapter. This is speaking rather of their strong desire for the delicious food which they had in Egypt. They were looking back on the luxuries they had in Egypt. Perhaps they were not luxuries compared to what the wealthy Egyptians had, but luxuries compared with what they were having in the wilderness there. And they were tired of this manna. It was the same pretty much day after day. They got tired of it. They longed ~~for~~ ^{for} all the variety they had had in Egypt, for all these vegetables they had enjoyed there and for the meats they had enjoyed there. You notice that it refers to the flesh. We don't use that word today the way that it was used in old Eng. When you read the word flesh in the Bible in connection with eating, it simply what we mean by meat. And when you read "meat" it simply means what we mean today by "food" Like when you read about the tree in Ezekiel, you read the leaves of the tree were for meat. It is of course ridiculous to think that they had pork chops growing on the tree branches. It is one of those many cases where a word has changed their meanings just enough that the average ~~person~~ person will not catch on to what it means. He has to guess it from context. But in present day Eng. "meat" has been limited to what old Eng. called "food". And so here they were longing for the meats that they had had in Egypt. And this longing for Egypt is something that you will find in any Christian movement that you have to face. Whatever you do for the Lord, there are great things that you receive, there are great blessings, but there also is something that has to be given up. Something that you give up for Him. And no matter what it is, the times are going to come when you are going to long for it.

2. The Danger of looking back. These people had come out of Egypt. God had delivered them from Egypt, but they looked back and they saw things in Egypt, not wrong in themselves, not bad at all, but things that were well worth giving up for what they were getting, and they longed for them. And if you could take any group of people who are ^{anxious} ~~to~~ to serve the Lord, and follow them during a period of 10, 20, 30 years, it is sad how many you will find who look back at Egypt. Call No. 2 The Danger of Looking Back. It is a danger but it is something that we need to have in mind. We need to realize what can happen. Time after time somebody graduates from the seminary who has