


The background is a collage of natural elements. On the left, a dark brown tree trunk and branches are visible against a green textured background. To the right, there is a yellow textured background with faint, stylized orange and brown floral or leaf patterns. The text is centered across these two sections.

FROM ROOTS TO FRUITS

LUKE 13:6-9 (NKJV)

‘He also spoke this parable: “A certain man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none. ⁷Then he said to the keeper of his vineyard, ‘Look, for three years I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree and find none. Cut it down; why does it use up the ground?’ ⁸But he answered and said to him, ‘Sir, let it alone this year also, until I dig around it and fertilize it. ⁹And if it bears fruit, well. But if not, after that you can cut it down.’ ”

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REBELLIOUS ROOTS

NEHEMIAH 9:17-23 (NKJV)

¹⁷They refused to obey,
And they were not mindful of Your wonders
That You did among them.
But they hardened their necks,
And in their rebellion
They appointed a leader
To return to their bondage.

NEHEMIAH 9:17-23 (NKJV)

But You are God,
Ready to pardon,
Gracious and merciful,
Slow to anger,
Abundant in kindness,
And did not forsake them.

NEHEMIAH 9:17-23 (NKJV)

¹⁸“Even when they made a molded calf for themselves,
And said, ‘This is your god
That brought you up out of Egypt,’
And worked great provocations,

NEHEMIAH 9:17-23 (NKJV)

¹⁹Yet in Your manifold mercies
You did not forsake them in the wilderness.
The pillar of the cloud did not depart from them by day,
To lead them on the road;
Nor the pillar of fire by night,
To show them light,
And the way they should go.

NEHEMIAH 9:17-23 (NKJV)

²⁰You also gave Your good Spirit to instruct them,
And did not withhold Your manna from their mouth,
And gave them water for their thirst.

²¹Forty years You sustained them in the wilderness;
They lacked nothing;
Their clothes did not wear out
And their feet did not swell.

NEHEMIAH 9:17-23 (NKJV)

²²“Moreover You gave them kingdoms and nations,
And divided them into districts.
So they took possession of the land of Sihon,
The land of the king of Heshbon,
And the land of Og king of Bashan.

NEHEMIAH 9:17-23 (NKJV)

²³You also multiplied their children as the stars of heaven,
And brought them into the land
Which You had told their fathers
To go in and possess.

PROVERBS 17:11 (NKJV)

**¹¹An evil man seeks only rebellion;
Therefore a cruel messenger will be sent against him.**

EXODUS 8:27-32 (NKJV)

²⁷We will go three days' journey into the wilderness and sacrifice to the Lord our God as He will command us."

²⁸So Pharaoh said, "I will let you go, that you may sacrifice to the Lord your God in the wilderness; only you shall not go very far away. Intercede for me."

²⁹Then Moses said, "Indeed I am going out from you,

EXODUS 8:27-32 (NKJV)

and I will entreat the Lord, that the swarms of flies may depart tomorrow from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people. But let Pharaoh not deal deceitfully anymore in not letting the people go to sacrifice to the Lord.”

³⁰So Moses went out from Pharaoh and entreated the Lord.

³¹And the Lord did according to the word of Moses;

EXODUS 8:27-32 (NKJV)

He removed the swarms of flies from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people. Not one remained. ³²But Pharaoh hardened his heart at this time also; neither would he let the people go.

NUMBERS 13:27-33 (NKJV)

²⁷Then they told him, and said: "We went to the land where you sent us. It truly flows with milk and honey, and this is its fruit.

²⁸Nevertheless the people who dwell in the land are strong; the cities are fortified and very large; moreover we saw the descendants of Anak there. ²⁹The Amalekites dwell in the land of the South; the Hittites, the Jebusites,

NUMBERS 13:27-33 (NKJV)

and the Amorites dwell in the mountains; and the Canaanites dwell by the sea and along the banks of the Jordan.”

³⁰Then Caleb quieted the people before Moses, and said, “Let us go up at once and take possession, for we are well able to overcome it.”

³¹But the men who had gone up with him said,

NUMBERS 13:27-33 (NKJV)

“We are not able to go up against the people, for they are stronger than we.” ³²And they gave the children of Israel a bad report of the land which they had spied out, saying, “The land through which we have gone as spies is a land that devours its inhabitants, and all the people whom we saw in it are men of great stature.

NUMBERS 13:27-33 (NKJV)

³³There we saw the giants (the descendants of Anak came from the giants); and we were like grasshoppers in our own sight, and so we were in their sight.”

¶ SAMUEL 15:13-23 (NKJV)

¹³Then Samuel went to Saul, and Saul said to him, “Blessed are you of the Lord! I have performed the commandment of the Lord.”

¹⁴But Samuel said, “What then is this bleating of the sheep in my ears, and the lowing of the oxen which I hear?”

¹⁵And Saul said, “They have brought them from the Amalekites;

¶ SAMUEL 15:13-23 (NKJV)

for the people spared the best of the sheep and the oxen, to sacrifice to the Lord your God; and the rest we have utterly destroyed.”

¹⁶Then Samuel said to Saul, “Be quiet! And I will tell you what the Lord said to me last night.”

And he said to him, “Speak on.”

¶ SAMUEL 15:13-23 (NKJV)

¹⁷So Samuel said, “When you were little in your own eyes, were you not head of the tribes of Israel? And did not the Lord anoint you king over Israel? ¹⁸Now the Lord sent you on a mission, and said, ‘Go, and utterly destroy the sinners, the Amalekites, and fight against them until they are consumed.’

¶ SAMUEL 15:13-23 (NKJV)

¹⁹Why then did you not obey the voice of the Lord? Why did you swoop down on the spoil, and do evil in the sight of the Lord?"

²⁰And Saul said to Samuel, "But I have obeyed the voice of the Lord, and gone on the mission on which the Lord sent me, and brought back Agag king of Amalek; I have utterly destroyed the Amalekites. ²¹But the people took of the plunder,

¶ SAMUEL 15:13-23 (NKJV)

sheep and oxen, the best of the things which should have been utterly destroyed, to sacrifice to the Lord your God in Gilgal.”

²²So Samuel said:

“Has the Lord as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices,
As in obeying the voice of the Lord?

¶ SAMUEL 15:13-23 (NKJV)

Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice,


And to heed than the fat of rams.

²³For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft,

And stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry.

Because you have rejected the word of the Lord,

He also has rejected you from being king.”

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REPENT
CHANGE YOUR THINKING
BE OPEN
CHOOSE TO YIELD