



Handouts for Week of March 31, 2024- “Unreality”

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“Wilderness” Definition

WILDERNESS:

From regular dictionary:

a tract or region uncultivated and uninhabited by human beings

an area essentially undisturbed by human activity together with its naturally developed life community

an empty or pathless area or region

a part of a garden devoted to wild growth

obsolete : wild or uncultivated state

a confusing multitude or mass : an indefinitely great number or quantity

a bewildering situation

S&H: Glossary: 597:16

WILDERNESS. Loneliness; doubt; darkness. Spontaneity of thought and idea; the vestibule in which a material sense of things disappears, and spiritual sense unfolds the great facts of existence.

NOTES:

Preparation; wasteland; emptiness; doubt; bewilderment; confusion; loneliness, desolation; mixture

Can a mental experience be a preparatory period?

Do we only listen when we are in a wilderness experience? There is no competition for our attention?

Moses had a preparatory period in the wilderness.

Jesus had a 40 day preparatory period.

Literal meaning:

Moonscape of granite mountains; little soil; little rainfall; blistering heat by day, bitter cold by night; sand valleys and hills, few people (bedouins)

Possible symbols for wilderness:

“Wilderness” continued



Time to communicate with God

Seeing God ‘face to face’

Receptivity

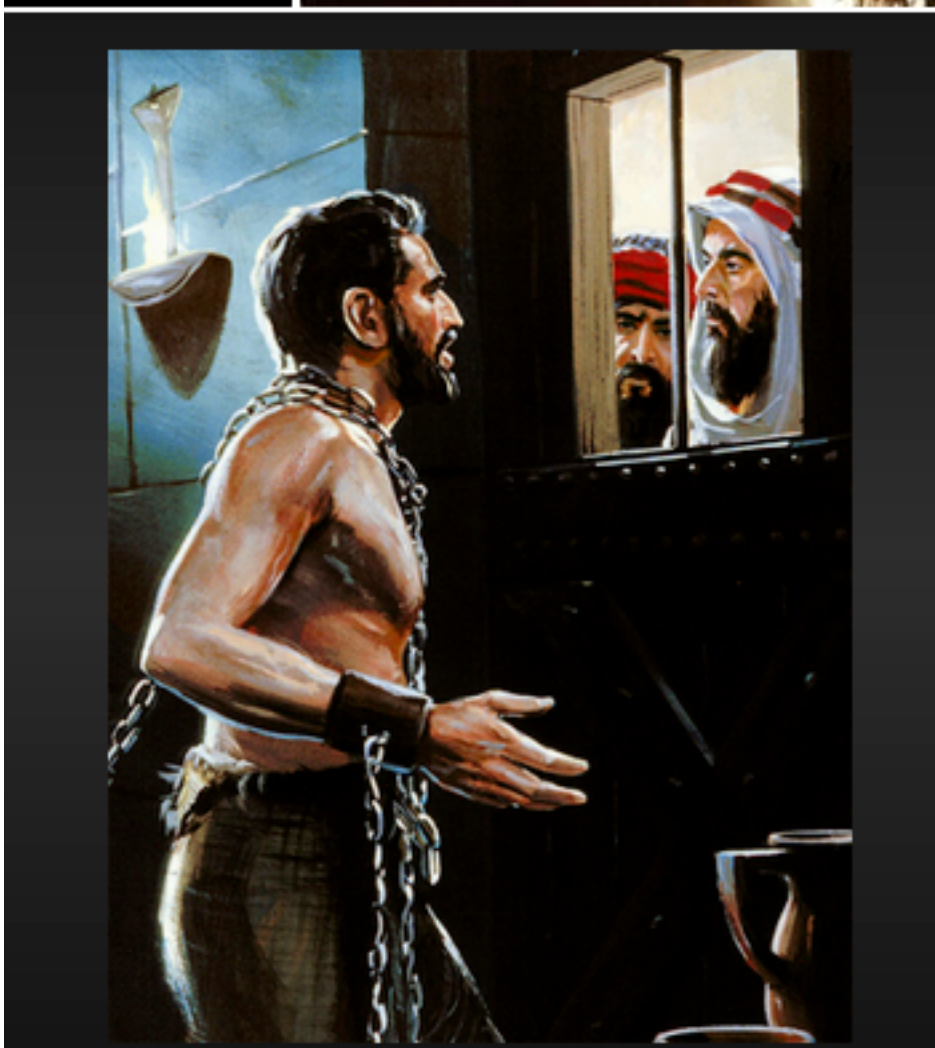
Represents how to deal with the “negative” in thought—basic to our victory over the flesh

Altitude in thought

“Wilderness” continued



John the Baptist Question



Palestine in the Time of Jesus





Word Study on “Whole”

Used in many healings of Jesus

To cure	Mentally or emotionally
To make whole	sound
Make intact	Having all its proper
Free from injury	parts
Unhurt	Complete
Restored	Total
Free of defect or	Undiminished
impairment	Undivided
Sound	Unbroken
Healthy	Uncut
Free from disease	Seamless
Free from deformity	