

as it recalls national disobedience and reviews God's gracious dealing. But for that reason we may take it in larger segments and we outline the section like this:

- 9:1-6....The need for humility
- 9:7-24...Various rebellions
- 10:1-5....the law renewed
- 10:6-7....remembering the journey
- 10:8-9....the Levitical appointment
- 10:10-11..Instructions leading to the move.

The practical plea is that Israel should not model its behaviour after the rebellious practices of the past but should respond with obedience to continue the journey. We may now look at these events in summary form.

II. Discussion

- 9:1-6....The Lord will give victory but not because we are righteous but because He is gracious and will honor the covenant..but, beware, this is a stiff necked people who have often earned God's wrath. This is told to the nation as Moses tells them of their journey to come and what they will face. They should not forget how they have behaved in the past and should not repeat it in the future.
- 9:7-21....Moses will rehearse past failures...and we know we cannot brood on this sort of thing but it should be a reckoning factor:
 - v. 7...the general provocation
 - 8...the Horeb rebellion: the giving of the law and the great sin.
 - 14....the threat of God at the golden calf episode at v. 16
 - 17....the broken tablets
 - 18-21...Moses intercession
 - 22....other moments of rebellion?
 - 23....the Kadesh rebellion
 - 25-29...Moses prayer and the resolution...they had always been a rebellious bunch!
- 10:1-5....The Lord graciously restored the tables of truth
- 10:6-7....the journey summarized: Aaron's death and the present priestly appointment
- 10:8-9....the Levitical arrangement
- 10:10-11..a reminder of his intercession and the instruction to resume the journey.