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Progress or Stagnation.

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Scripture - Numbers 13: 26-33.

Text: - Number 13: 30. "Let us go up
at once and possess it: for we are
well able to overcome it."

Int: - Words of my text are words of a
young man, Caleb. He was one of a
group who had just returned from an
expedition to determine future course
of a great people. Joshua and Caleb
counselled advancement. They knew
that for the nation it was either progress
or stagnation. They chose not to go for-
ward, and result was 40 years of stag-
nation, suffering and sorrow.

They were to go forward to possess
what God had said was theirs.
The good land, flowing with milk
and honey. To possess it meant
struggle. They were unwilling
to make the attempt. They found
it easier to become stagnant & die.

I. The Individual Soul.

1. There is a spiritual growth
and progress for every soul. There
is a land to be possessed. The
law is progress or stagnation.

2. Spiritual progress

1. a more victorious inner life. Super prayer life.
2. a better testimony
3. a greater passion for Christ's Kingdom.

II. The Church.

1. New land to be possessed.
2. New Spiritual life. The spiritual life of a church is the determining factor in its progress.

3. Shall the church go forward? or shall it go backward? Shall it go back to Egypt, stay at Hahab, Babra or go on to Canaan?

1. Give ground. Retreat. Take a backward step.

2. Press forward - new spiritual heights, new membership, new resources. Always bewails over loss - sing song of defeat - let every know your weakness. - Geo. Rogers Clark

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