

A FEW GOOD MEN

Your Story, His Glory

“The Lord spoke to Moses saying, ‘Send spies into the land of Canaan that I am giving to the children of Israel...’

Numbers 13:1

27 They gave Moses this account: “We went into the land to which you sent us, and it does flow with milk and honey! Here is its fruit. 28 But the people who live there are powerful, and the cities are fortified and very large. We even saw descendants of Anak there. 30 Then Caleb silenced the people before Moses and said, “We should go up and take possession of the land, for we can certainly do it.” 31 But the men who had gone up with him said, “We can’t attack those people; they are stronger than we are.”

Numbers 13:27-31

THE 10 NEGATIVE SPIES HAD A SLAVERY MINDSET.

32 And they spread among the Israelites a bad report about the land they had explored. They said, “The land we explored devours those living in it. All the people we saw there are of great size. 33 We saw the Sons of Anak (giants) there. We seemed like grasshoppers in our own eyes, and we looked the same to them.”

Numbers 13:32-33

14 That night all the members of the community raised their voices and wept aloud. 2 All the Israelites grumbled against Moses and Aaron, and the whole assembly said to them, “If only we had died in Egypt! Or in this wilderness! 3 Why is the LORD bringing us to this land only to let us fall by the sword? Our wives and children will be taken as plunder. Wouldn’t it be better for us to go back to Egypt?” 4 And they said to each other, “We should choose a leader and go back to Egypt.” Numbers 14:1-4

A Slavery Mindset...

- Takes no responsibility

- Waits to be told what to do
- Complain, Complain, Complain
- Settles for what is given
- Sees obstacles
- Has little faith in God
- Does not understand who they are

The results for living like a slave...

- Never receive full inheritance
- Live in shame
- Die in the wilderness
- Encourages a slavery mindset in those closest to us

2 POSITIVE SPIES (Caleb and Joshua) HAD A FAITHFUL MINDSET.

“The land we passed through and explored is exceedingly good. 8 If the LORD is pleased with us, He will lead us into that land, a land flowing with milk and honey, and will give it to us. 9 Only do not rebel against the LORD. And do not be afraid of the people of the land, because we will devour them. Their protection is gone, but the LORD is with us. Do not be afraid of them. 10 But the whole assembly talked about stoning them.”

Numbers 14:7-10

A Faith Mindset...

- Positive knowledge of God
- Positive knowledge of ourselves
- Focus on possibilities
- Looks for opportunities

The results of living with a faith mindset...

- Live extended strong lives
- Energy and Passion
- Healthy relationships with God and others
- Prepare a new generation to have a faith mindset
- Receive the best God has for us

12 “Now give me this mountain that the LORD promised me that day. You yourself heard then that the Anakites were there and their cities were large and fortified, but, the LORD helping me, I will drive them out just as He said.”

Joshua 14:12

“I can do all things through Christ, who gives me the strength.”

Philippians

4:13