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### The Promised Land

#### Hebrews 11:1 (NKJV)

1 Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

#### Isaiah 55:11 (NKJV)

11 So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please, And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.

#### Numbers 13:27 (NKJV)

27 Then 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.

#### Numbers 13:28 (NKJV)

28 Nevertheless the people who dwell in the land are strong; the cities are fortified and very large; moreover we saw the descendants of Anak there.

### 1. When you fix your attention on the obstacles rather than the objective, fear will eclipse your faith

#### Numbers 13:17-20 (NKJV)

17 Then Moses sent them to spy out the land of Canaan, and said to them, "Go up this way into the South, and go up to the mountains,

#### Numbers 13:18-20 (NKJV)

18 and see what the land is like: whether the people who dwell in it are strong or weak, few or many;

#### Numbers 13:19-20 (NKJV)

19 whether the land they dwell in is good or bad; whether the cities they inhabit are like camps or strongholds;

#### Numbers 13:20 (NKJV)

20 whether the land is rich or poor; and whether there are forests there or not. Be of good courage. And bring some of the fruit of the land." Now the time was the season of the first ripe grapes.

#### Numbers 13:2 (NKJV)

2 "Send men to spy out the land of Canaan, which I am giving to the children of Israel; from each tribe of their fathers you shall send a man, every one a leader among them."

#### Numbers 13:30-33 (NKJV)

30 Then 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."

#### Numbers 13:31-33 (NKJV)

31 But the men who had gone up with him said, "We are not able to go up against the people, for they are stronger than we."

#### Numbers 13:32-33 (NKJV)

32 And 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 13:33 (NKJV)

33 There 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."

#### Numbers 14:1 (NKJV)

1 So all the congregation lifted up their voices and cried, and the people wept that night.

### 2. When you compare what you lack to what others possess, intimidation will replace confidence.

#### Philippians 1:6 (NKJV)

6 being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ;

#### Hebrews 13:6 (NKJV)

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6 So we may boldly say: "The LORD is my helper; I will not fear. What can man do to me?"

### **Numbers 14:2-5 (NKJV)**

2 And all the children of Israel complained against Moses and Aaron, and the whole congregation said to them, "If only we had died in the land of Egypt! Or if only we had died in this wilderness!

### **Numbers 14:3-5 (NKJV)**

3 Why has the LORD brought us to this land to fall by the sword, that our wives and children should become victims? Would it not be better for us to return to Egypt?"

### **Numbers 14:4-5 (NKJV)**

4 So they said to one another, "Let us select a leader and return to Egypt."

### **Numbers 14:5 (NKJV)**

5 Then Moses and Aaron fell on their faces before all the assembly of the congregation of the children of Israel.

When you allow fear to take control of your situation, your desire for relief will weaken your courage

### **James 1:2-4 (NKJV)**

2 My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials,

### **James 1:3-4 (NKJV)**

3 knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience.

### **James 1:4 (NKJV)**

4 But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing.

### **Numbers 14:7-9 (NKJV)**

7 and they spoke to all the congregation of the children of Israel, saying: "The land we passed through to spy out is an exceedingly good land.

### **Numbers 14:8-9 (NKJV)**

8 If the LORD delights in us, then He will bring us into this land and give it to us, 'a land which flows with milk and honey.'

### **Numbers 14:9 (NKJV)**

9 Only do not rebel against the LORD, nor fear the people of the land, for they are our bread; their protection has departed from them, and the LORD is with us. Do not fear them."

### **Numbers 14:10-12 (NKJV)**

10 And all the congregation said to stone them with stones. Now the glory of the LORD appeared in the tabernacle of meeting before all the children of Israel.

### **Numbers 14:11-12 (NKJV)**

11 Then the LORD said to Moses: "How long will these people reject Me? And how long will they not believe Me, with all the signs which I have performed among them?"

### **Numbers 14:12 (NKJV)**

12 I will strike them with the pestilence and disinherit them, and I will make of you a nation greater and mightier than they."

When you determine to disobey, you will seek instant gratification and justification, rather than endure the cultivation of character.

### **Numbers 14:13 (NKJV)**

13 And Moses said to the LORD: "Then the Egyptians will hear it, for by Your might You brought these people up from among them,

### **Numbers 14:14 (NKJV)**

14 and they will tell it to the inhabitants of this land. They have heard that You, LORD, are among these people; that You, LORD, are seen face to face and Your cloud stands above them, and You go before them in a pillar of cloud by day and in a pillar of fire by night.

### **Numbers 14:15 (NKJV)**

15 Now if You kill these people as one man, then the nations which have heard of Your fame will speak, saying,

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### **Numbers 14:16 (NKJV)**

16 'Because the LORD was not able to bring this people to the land which He swore to give them, therefore He killed them in the wilderness.'

### **Numbers 14:17 (NKJV)**

17 And now, I pray, let the power of my Lord be great, just as You have spoken, saying,

### **Numbers 14:18 (NKJV)**

18 'The LORD is longsuffering and abundant in mercy, forgiving iniquity and transgression; but He by no means clears the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and fourth generation.'

### **Numbers 14:19 (NKJV)**

19 Pardon the iniquity of this people, I pray, according to the greatness of Your mercy, just as You have forgiven this people, from Egypt even until now."

### **Numbers 14:20 (NKJV)**

20 Then the LORD said: "I have pardoned, according to your word;