

“Be Aware. Others Are Looking and Following YOU!”



<sup>25</sup> After exploring the land for forty days, the men returned <sup>26</sup> to Moses, Aaron, and the whole community of Israel at Kadesh in the wilderness of Paran. They reported to the whole community what they had seen and showed them the fruit they had taken from the land. <sup>27</sup> This was their report to Moses: “We entered the land you sent us to explore, and it is indeed a bountiful country—a land flowing with milk and honey. Here is the kind of fruit it produces. <sup>28</sup> But the people living there are powerful, and their towns are large and fortified. We even saw giants there, the descendants of Anak! <sup>29</sup> The Amalekites live in the Negev, and the Hittites, Jebusites, and Amorites live in the hill country. The Canaanites live along the coast of the Mediterranean Sea and along the Jordan Valley.” <sup>30</sup> But Caleb tried to quiet the people as they stood before Moses. “Let’s go at once to take the land,” he said. “We can certainly conquer it!” <sup>31</sup> But the other men who had explored the land with him disagreed. “We can’t go up against them! They are stronger than we are!” <sup>32</sup> So they spread this bad report about the land among the Israelites: “The land we traveled through and explored will devour anyone who goes to live there. All the people we saw were huge. <sup>33</sup> We even saw giants there, the descendants of Anak. Next to them we felt like grasshoppers, and that’s what they thought, too!”

**14** Then the whole community began weeping aloud, and they cried all night. <sup>2</sup> Their voices rose in a great chorus of protest against Moses and Aaron. “If only we had died in Egypt, or even here in the wilderness!” they complained. <sup>3</sup> “Why is the LORD taking us to this country only to have us die in battle? Our wives and our little ones will be carried off as plunder! Wouldn’t it be better for us to return to Egypt?” <sup>4</sup> Then they plotted among themselves, “Let’s choose a new leader and go back to Egypt!”

Numbers 13:25–14:4 (NLT)

- FORGETFULNESS comes with a **HEFTY PRICE TAG!**

...they forgot **who put them on the** journey.

...they forgot that **they were not alone on the** journey.

...they forgot all **that God had done,**  
both **GREAT and SMALL** on their journey.

- FEARFULNESS **can/will keep us from enjoying** the journey!

...being afraid often leads to **reaction and complaining.**

...being afraid of the unknown **increases our negativity**  
and **skepticism.**

- FAITH + **FAITHFULNESS** = **BLESSINGS** on the journey!

...**trusting God at his word** makes our journey more pleasant.

...being **faithful in the LITTLE THINGS** brings huge blessings,  
personally and to others.

<sup>16</sup> And the LORD said to Moses, <sup>17</sup> “Eleazar the priest and Joshua son of Nun are the men designated to divide the grants of land among the people. <sup>18</sup> Enlist one leader from each tribe to help them with the task. <sup>19</sup> These are the tribes and the names of the leaders:

Numbers 34:16–19 (NLT)

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