

EXPLORING THE LAND

SESSION 5



TEXT TRUTH: God is with us.

BIBLE VERSE: The Lord is with us. Don't be afraid. Numbers 14:9

BIBLE VERSE PARAPHRASE: God is with us. Don't be afraid. Numbers 14:9

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& PARENTS**

NUMBERS 13; 14:1-9

Moses and the Israelite people were camped in the desert. Nearby was the special land, the land of Canaan, which God had said He would give to the people.

Moses wanted to find out about the land. He chose Caleb, Joshua, and ten more men to go into Canaan to explore the land and learn about the people. Moses said, "See if the people there are strong. Are there big towns or small towns? Find out if the land is good. Does it have trees on it? Bring back some of the fruit grown there."

So, the twelve men prepared for their scouting trip. They went to Canaan and searched the land from the wilderness to the towns. They went to a valley where they found grapes, pomegranates, and figs. The men cut branches of fruit to take back to Moses.

The men explored Canaan for forty days. Then it was time to return to the camp and tell Moses what they discovered.

Moses and the people gathered to hear the scouts' report.

The men said, "The land we saw is good. You see some of the fruit we found there. The people in Canaan are strong, and they have made strong cities."

Caleb spoke up and said, "We must go and take this land."

But the Israelite people were afraid to go there. The people told Moses they did not want to go to Canaan.

Caleb and Joshua knew God had chosen this land for the people. They trusted God and loved Him. The men said, "We know God wants us to live in this special place. He will help us. We love God and want to do what He says. Trust Him."

What Comes Next?

The men who explored Canaan saw delicious fruits, strong men, and strong cities. Look at the patterns below and decide what should come next in the row.



The men told Moses and the people,
“God is with us. Don’t be afraid.”

Numbers 14:9