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Why were Joshua and Caleb so confident they could defeat people who were bigger than they were and lived in strong cities?

(They trusted God; they had faith in his promises.)

Were the other 10 spies focused more on God or on the situations?

By focusing on earthly things, the 10 spies were too scared to trust God.

What are some things in your life that scare you?

Does your fear ever keep you from doing something you want to?

How can you overcome that fear? What are some of the benefits of overcoming that fear?

Extra Mile

Do trust falls with your family (just make sure your children are big enough to catch you). Have one person stand facing away and with their arms crossed in front of them. Instruct them to close their eyes, remain stiff, and fall backwards. Have another family member or two "catch" that person before they hit the ground. Take turns falling backwards and catching each other.

What was the scariest part?

Was it hard to trust that you'd be safe when you fell backward? Why?

Why is it hard sometimes to trust God and his Word?

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