

Winter Revival

February 6-9, 2022

Sunday Morning, February 6, 2022 » Pastor Josiah Kagin

Message Title: They Said, "We Can't."

Message Text: Numbers 13-14

Introduction:

God had miraculously brought the children of Israel out of oppressive bondage in the land of Egypt by His mighty power. Ten times, God proved His all powerful authority to Pharaoh and the Egyptian nation. As God led them out through His servant Moses, He again demonstrated His mighty power by parting the Red Sea and making a way for Israel to escape the terror of the Egyptian military. God revealed His law to them at Mount Sinai all the while providing for their every need. They are now at the border Canaan, the land God had promised to Abraham about seven hundred years before. The inhabitants of the land were exceedingly wicked and had rejected the mercy of God for the past four hundred years. The time has finally come God to bring judgement upon the inhabitants as well as grant Israel the land He had promised to them. While the land had yet to be conquered, Canaan, with all of its resources, was a demonstration of God's abundant provision and care for His people. Israel now faced a decision at Kadesh-Barnea. Would they go forward believing God or shrink back in unbelief?

1. God's _____ (13:1-25)

A. To _____ them the Blessing (1-3, 17-20)

Numbers 13:1-3 And the Lord spake unto Moses, saying, 2 Send thou men, that they may search the land of Canaan, which I give unto the children of Israel: of every tribe of their fathers shall ye send a man, every one a ruler among them. 3 And Moses by the commandment of the Lord sent them from the wilderness of Paran: all those men were heads of the children of Israel.

Numbers 13:17-20 And Moses sent them to spy out the land of Canaan, and said unto them, Get you up this way southward, and go up into the mountain: 18 And see the land, what it is; and the people that dwelleth therein, whether they be strong or weak, few or many; 19 And what the land is that they dwell in, whether it be good or bad; and what cities they be that they dwell in, whether in tents, or in strong holds; 20 And what the land is, whether it be fat or lean, whether there be wood therein, or not. And be ye of good courage, and bring of the fruit of the land. Now the time was the time of the firstripe grapes.

DEFINITION—HEADS: leaders of each tribe

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DEFINITION—SEARCH: to explore

DEFINITION—SEE: to find out; to figure out after a calculation, investigation, or search.

Hebrews 13:7–8 Remember them which have the rule over you, who have spoken unto you the word of God: whose faith follow, considering the end of their conversation. 8 Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.

B. To _____ them the Blessing (2)

Numbers 13:2 ...which I give unto the children of Israel...

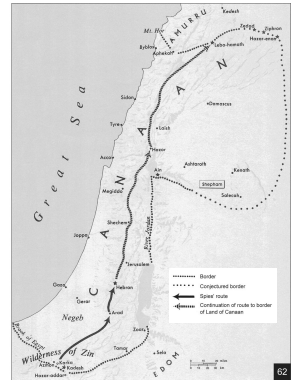
NOTE: God was in the process of making this settled reality their experienced reality. It would require trust and obedience.

SETTLED REALITY — *hath given...through*

2 Peter 1:3 According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue:

EXPERIENCED REALITY — *but grow in...*

2 Peter 3:18 But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen.



2 Chronicles 16:9 For the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to shew himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him. Herein thou hast done foolishly: therefore from henceforth thou shalt have wars.

2. Israel's _____ (13:26-14:10)

A. The Leaders _____ in Unbelief (21-33)

Numbers 13:27 And they told him, and said, We came unto the land whither thou sentest us, and surely it floweth with milk and honey; and this is the fruit of it.

NEVERTHELESS — *but...*

Number 13:28 Nevertheless the people be strong that dwell in the land, and the cities are walled, and very great: and moreover we saw the children of Anak there. 29The Amalekites

dwell in the land of the south: and the Hittites, and the Jebusites, and the Amorites, dwell in the mountains: and the Canaanites dwell by the sea, and by the coast of Jordan. 30 And Caleb stilled the people before Moses, and said, Let us go up at once, and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it. 31 But the men that went up with him said, We be not able to go up against the people; for they are stronger than we. 32 And they brought up an evil report of the land which they had searched unto the children of Israel, saying, The land, through which we have gone to search it, is a land that eateth up the inhabitants thereof; and all the people that we saw in it are men of a great stature. 33 And there we saw the giants, the sons of Anak, which come of the giants: and we were in our own sight as grasshoppers, and so we were in their sight.

NOTE: Caleb and Joshua believed that God would give what He said He would give.

Acts 27:25 Wherefore, sirs, be of good cheer: for I believe God, that it shall be even as it was told me.

NOTE: Every member has influence in the body of Christ — the church.
(Ephesians 4:16)

B. The People _____ with Unbelief (14:1-10)

THEY BROKE DOWN _____ (1)

Numbers 14:1 And all the congregation lifted up their voice, and cried; and the people wept that night.

THEY _____ COOPERATIVELY (2)

Numbers 14:2a And all the children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron: and the whole congregation said unto them,

THEY BECAME _____ QUICKLY (2b-3)

Numbers 14:2b-3 ...Would God that we had died in the land of Egypt! or would God we had died in this wilderness! 3 And wherefore hath the Lord brought us unto this land, to fall by the sword, that our wives and our children should be a prey? were it not better for us to return into Egypt?

THEY TURNED ON GOD'S _____ UNANIMOUSLY (4a)

Numbers 14:4 And they said one to another, Let us make a captain...

THEY REJECTED GOD'S _____ ENTIRELY (4b)

Numbers 14:4 And they said one to another...and let us return into Egypt.

THEY _____ THE FAITH-FILLED VEHEMENTLY (10)

Numbers 14:10 But all the congregation bade stone them with stones...

Numbers 14:10 ...And the glory of the Lord appeared in the tabernacle of the congregation before all the children of Israel.

3. God's _____ (14:11-38)

A. To Allow them to _____ their Lives (14:11-30)

Numbers 14:11 And the Lord said unto Moses, How long will this people provoke me? and how long will it be ere they believe me, for all the signs which I have shewed among them?

DEFINITION—PROVOKE: to despise; to look down on with contempt.
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Numbers 14:22 Because all those men which have seen my glory, and my miracles, which I did in Egypt and in the wilderness, and have tempted me now these ten times, and have not hearkened to my voice;

DEFINITION—TEMPT: to try; to give pain or trouble to someone.

When we determine that God can't, God determines that He won't.

Psalms 78:41 Yea, they turned back and tempted God, And limited the Holy One of Israel.

Hebrews 3:19 So we see that they could not enter in because of unbelief.

B. To Bless Another _____ (14:31)

Numbers 14:31 But your little ones, which ye said should be a prey, them will I bring in, and they shall know the land which ye have despised.

Note: This generation would grow up observing daily manna, water from the rock and clothing that never wore out. This generation would learn just to follow God as God allowed the lives of their parents to be wasted.

This would be the generation that would follow God across the Jordan and for seven days around the walls of Jericho.

Conclusion

_____ always robs us of God's _____.

Our Goal for 2022

To radically increase our understanding and experience of conquering through Christ over sin and every obstacle that hinders us from obeying the Word and will of Jesus Christ.



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