

**Month: June Devotion**

**Scripture: Deuteronomy 5:32**

**Food for thought: Focus on the Promise not the Problem**



Real true faith is man's weakness leaning on God's strength. Unfortunately, the spies who were sent into Canaan did not really buy into that philosophy! The book of Numbers gives the account of Joshua and Caleb and ten other spies who ventured into the Promised Land to "check it out." When they returned, Joshua and Caleb were excited about what they saw, but the other ten were scared to death! They shared their observations as: The number of people was BIG, the people themselves were BIG, even the fruit grown in this land was BIG! The spies described themselves as feeling like "grasshoppers" and were convinced that the people of Canaan looked upon them as grasshoppers, too & it was going to be too hard. This saddened and disappointed God. The Lord says in Numbers 14:11, "How long will they not believe in me, in spite of all the signs that I have done among them?"

Yes Joshua and Caleb saw the inhabitants of the land but they kept their focus on the BIG fruit instead. They didn't allow themselves the luxury of getting distracted. When God gives you instruction please do not worry about anyone else's presence. You have been ordained and appointed to do it! Anyone who tries to distract you must deal with God himself! There are always distractions waiting in every area and turn in our lives but choose to focus on the positive. Keep moving till you are able to focus on what God sees because "the fruit of the land is already ripe and waiting, don't pay attention to evil reports. Don't pay attention to nay sayers! Don't pay attention to dream killers! Look in the midst of your crisis and see all the rich fruit, pick some of it and please do bring it back as a testimony!

Whenever you believe God's report and speak God's promises on your life, its manifestation draws nearer. We as children of the most High God who are in Christ, are positioned in these last days to see the wealth of the wicked transferred to the righteous.

Remember God gives the inheritance but you and I have to fight the good fight of faith to possess the land and to dwell in it. It is not easy! God is with you all the time, but you have a part to play. "possess and dwell". God wants us to 'posses' the land. This means you need to cast out the previous tenants and make their possession yours. By faith what previously belonged to previous occupants now belongs to you!! By faith you can take the land and possess it's wealth. Focus on the Promise not the Problem!

Love

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