

## Discussion Questions – Spying out the Promised Land

Read Numbers 13 and 14

- How many spies were sent to spy out the land? (12)
- Where did they come from? (There was one from each of the twelve tribes.)
- What is another name for Oshea? (Joshua)
- What kind of food did they find? (grapes, milk, and honey)
- What did the spies discover? (men as giants that made them look like grasshoppers)
- How many days were they gathering information? (40 days)
- What did Caleb and Joshua report? (Num. 14:6-9)
- What did the people want to do to Caleb and Joshua? (Stone them)
- How is that similar to how people respond to the news stories today?
- How did God respond to this report? (Num. 14:11-12)
- What was their penalty for not going into the promised land? (Num. 14:34,35)
- Why do Caleb and Joshua get to go into the promised land? (They trusted God. Those who didn't trust God never were allowed into the promised land.)
- What was the penalty for those who didn't trust God? (They had to wander 40 years in the wilderness and they never saw the promised land.)
- Was that a fair penalty for refusing God's gift?
- Do we ever refuse God's gifts?
- What are some of God's gifts?
- Who do you trust?
- What happened when the ten spies let fear govern their perception?
- How do we keep fear from interfering with God's plan for us?
- What does God require of each of us?
- What happened to Moses? (Deut.34:5)