Numbers 14

Unshakable Faith! Go and Grow

June 30, 2024

"Now may the Lord's strength be displayed, just as you have declared:

18 'The LORD is slow to anger, abounding in love and forgiving sin and rebellion. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished; he punishes the children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation.'

19 In accordance with your great love, forgive the sin of these people, just as you have pardoned them from the time they left Egypt until now."

20 The LORD replied, "I have forgiven them, as you asked.

21 Nevertheless, as surely as I live and as surely as the glory of the LORD fills the whole earth, ²² not one of those who saw my glory and the signs I performed in Egypt and in the wilderness but who disobeyed me and tested me ten times—

23 not one of them will ever see the land I promised on oath to their ancestors. No one who has treated me with contempt will ever see it. ²⁴ But because my servant Caleb has a different spirit and follows me wholeheartedly, I will bring him into the land he went to, and his descendants will inherit it.

Numbers 14:17-24

I keep my eyes always on the LORD. With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

Psalm 16:8

Faith Statement:

We have to **go** where God directs in order to **grow** as God desires.

1. REMEMBER God never fails!

The LORD is slow to anger, abounding in love, and forgiving sin and rebellion. V. 18

Do you not know? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom.

Isaiah 40:28

2. RECOGNIZE God's presence is real.

Their protection is gone, but the LORD is with us. Do not be afraid of them.

Numbers 14:9b

So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

Isaiah 41:10

3. REMOVE fear with action.

Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.

James 1:22

Only do not rebel against the LORD. And do not be afraid of the people of the land, because we will devour them. Numbers 14:9a

4. REASSURE yourself of what God can do.

Then Caleb silenced the people before Moses and said, "We should go up and take possession of the land, for we can certainly do it."

Numbers 13:30

God can do anything, you know—far more than you could ever imagine or guess or request in your wildest dreams! He does it not by pushing us around but by working within us, his Spirit deeply and gently within us. God can do anything, you know—far more than you could ever imagine or guess or request in your wildest dreams! He does it not by pushing us around but by working within us, his Spirit deeply and gently within us.

Ephesians 3:20-21 MSG

5. REMAIN connected to community.

If the LORD is pleased with us, he will lead us into that land, a land flowing with milk and honey, and will give it to us. Numbers 14:8

And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Hebrews 10:24-25

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