

## **Be Followers of God – Numbers 13,14**

13:1-4,17-20 – Moses sent out 12 men to spy out (search) the land of Canaan.

13:21-24 – The men found big men (giants) and big fruit.

13:25-29 – The report is brought back to Moses, Aaron and all the people.

13:30 – Caleb is eager to go in and possess the land.

13:31-33 – Ten spies give an evil report.

14:1-4 – The people refuse to enter the land.

14:5-9 – Moses, Aaron, Joshua and Caleb try to convince the people that the Lord would help them take the land.

14:10 – The people wanted to kill them.

14:22-24 – God said that the people would not get to see the land, but Caleb would because he followed God fully. Read Deut 1:35,36

Joshua 14:6-14 Caleb was given the mountain of Hebron where the giants lived because he wholly followed the Lord.

David wrote Psalm 63 in the wilderness of Judah. Verses 7&8 say, “Because thou hast been my help, therefore in the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice. My soul followeth hard after thee: thy right hand upholdeth me.”

Play a quick follow the leader. It is impossible to follow the leader unless you are looking at the leader. In order to follow God, we must have our eyes on Him. We see Him as we study His word.

Ephesians 5:1 – “Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children.

John 8:12 – He that follows Jesus will not walk in darkness but in the light.

How should we walk? 1 John 2:6 says we should walk as Christ walked.

The book of Ephesians shows us what God’s walk looks like.

4:17, 22-24 – Walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity (uselessness) of their mind....be renewed. Don’t follow the crowd around you.

5:2 – Walk in love as Christ loved us.

5:8,11,12 – Walk as children of light.

5:15-17 – Walk circumspectly (wisely)

Memory Verse - Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children; And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour. (Eph 5:1-2)