

And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.

Romans 8:28

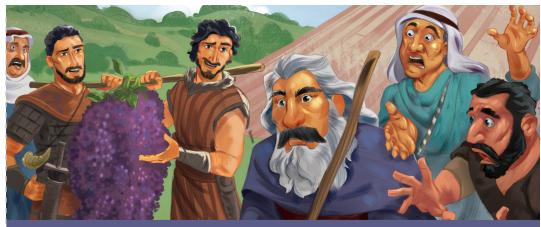
1. What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?

2. What does this story teach me about myself?

3. Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?

4. Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?

5. How does this story help me to live on mission better?



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THE PEOPLE DOUBTED

Numbers 13-14

WHY SHOULD WE OBEY GOD? WE SHOULD OBEY GOD BECAUSE HE MADE US, HE LOVES US, AND HIS PLANS ARE GOOD.

The LORD spoke to Moses and told him to send men to the land of Canaan. Moses selected one man from every tribe of Israel, twelve men in all. He told the men, "Go up into the land and see what it is like and if it looks like a good place to live."

So the men went up into the land. They said, "This land is flowing with milk and honey. However, the people in the land are strong, and their cities are large and very well defended."

Caleb said, "Let's go up there now! We can surely conquer the land." But some of the other men said, "We can't attack the people! They are stronger than we are." The people were afraid. They doubted that God would keep His promise and help them win. But two of the men, Joshua and Caleb, said, "The land we passed through is an extremely good land. Don't rebel against the LORD, and don't fear the people. The LORD is with us!"

The glory of the Lord appeared at the tent of meeting, and He said, "How long will these people doubt Me after all that I have done for them? None of the people who doubted Me will ever see the land I promised, except for Caleb and Joshua. Everyone else will die in the wilderness. Their children will enjoy the land, but they will not enter it."

Christ Connection: Joshua and Caleb believed the words that God had spoken, and they were eventually allowed to enter the Promised Land. The people who did not believe would die in the wilderness. If we believe the words that God has spoken about Jesus and place our faith in Him, we will be saved from our sin and will enter the new heaven and new earth.

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