

# The 12 Spies of Israel

## NUMBERS 13:1 -14:38

- Camped in the Wilderness of Paran (Kadesh Barnea) (13:1)
- **One spy from each tribe**
  - Tribe of Reuben - Shammua
  - Tribe of Simeon - Shaphat
  - Tribe of Judah - **Caleb** ←
  - Tribe of Issachar - Igal
  - Tribe of Ephraim - **Hoshea (Joshua)** ←
  - Tribe of Benjamin - Palti
  - Tribe of Zebulun - Gaddiel
  - Tribe of Manasseh - Gaddi
  - Tribe of Dan - Ammiel
  - Tribe of Asher - Sethur
  - Tribe of Naphtali - Nahbi
  - Tribe of Gad - Geuel
- **Eight charges to the spies.**
  - To see what the land is like (13:18)
  - To see whether the Canaanites are strong or weak. (13:18)
  - To see whether the Canaanites are few or many. (13:18)
  - To see whether the land is good or bad. (13:19)
  - To see whether the cities are like camps or strongholds (13:19)
  - To see whether the land is rich or poor. (13:20)
  - To see whether there are forests or not. (13:20)
  - To bring back some of the fruit of the land. (13:20)
- The spies were gone for 40 days. (13:25)
- **Ten spies said the land could not be taken,**
  - The people who dwell in the land are strong. (12:28)
  - The cities are fortified. (13:28)
  - The cities are very large. (13:28)
  - The descendants of Anak (giants) are there. (13:28)
  - We were like grasshoppers in their sight. (13:33)
  - The land devours its inhabitants (13:32)
  - Amalekites live in the south. (13:29)
  - The Hittites, Jebusites, & Amorites dwell in the mountains. (13:29)
  - The Canaanites dwell by the sea and by the Jordan River. (13:29)
- Two of the spies (Joshua & Caleb), said the land could be taken.
- The people wept and wanted to stone Joshua and Caleb. (14:1, 10)
- The people wanted a new leader to lead them back to Egypt. (14:4)
- God sent a plague upon the ten spies and they died. (14:37)
- The people were to wander in the wilderness one year for each day the spies were gone. (14:32-34)
- Of the twelve spies, only **Joshua** and **Caleb** were permitted to live to enter Canaan.