



“Let us go up at once and occupy it, for we are well able to overcome it.” Numbers 13:30

The Journey Lesson 1

Surprises

Read It!

Read Numbers 13

Think About It!

Can anything surprise God? If God makes good on his promises, he provides a way to overcome the challenges that we may face. When the people of Israel face big walls, strong armies, and giants, they question God’s goodness. But these things were not a surprise to God. God had a plan for the people to enter the land he had promised if only they would trust him. What giants do we face today that make us question God’s promises?

Talk About It!

- When was a time you were really surprised?
- Do you think God is ever surprised? Why?
- How does hearing stories like the one in Numbers help you trust God more?
- Is there anything going on right now in your life that seems scary or makes you worry?
- How do you see God working right now?

Experience It!

You will need: A glass of water (about half- 2/3 filled) and an index card that is bigger than the opening of the glass..

This is what you do: place the index card over the top of the glass, making sure that the whole of the rim is covered by it, and press down.

Hold onto the top of the card with one hand and move your other hand down the glass, towards the bottom of it. Carefully flip the glass upside down, making sure you keep holding the card in place. You may get a TINY bit of drip page at this point, but don't panic! Now slowly move your card holding hand out from underneath and the card should stick, holding the water at bay! See if one of your family members will let you hold the water over their head.

This has been tried before and proven to work because air pressure which you can't see is stronger than gravity pulling the water down. Numbers shares a story of God at work making his promises come true, how have you seen God fulfill his promises?

Pray!

Dear God, thank you for keeping your promises. Thank you for never being surprised by things that scar or worry us and making a way through. (give everyone a chance to thank God or ask God for something). Amen.