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THE STORY

Chapter Six: Wandering

But the men who had gone up with him said, "We can't attack those people; they are stronger than we are." And they spread among the Israelites a bad report about the land they had explored. They said, "The land we explored devours those living in it. All the people we saw there are of great size.

Numbers 13:31-32 NIV

... "The land we passed through and explored is exceedingly good. 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. Only do not rebel against the Lord. And do not be afraid of the people of the land, because we will devour them. Their protection is gone, but the Lord is with us. Do not be afraid of them."

Numbers 14:7-9 NIV

How to Make the Right Turns in Life

1. Learn to _____ for _____.

2. Don't be _____ by _____.

"And do not be afraid of the people of the land, because we will devour them. Their protection is gone, but the LORD is with us. Do not be afraid of them."

Numbers 14:9 NIV

3. Remember, others are _____ with _____.

Your children will be shepherds here for forty years, suffering for your unfaithfulness, until the last of your bodies lies in the wilderness.

Numbers 14:33 NIV

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS:

- 1) Have you ever taken a wrong turn and got lost? What happened and how did you get out of it?
- 2) What part of The Story chapter six stood out to you?
- 3) What ways do you seek directions when you are at a crossroads of life?
- 4) Have you ever felt afraid to move forward into the Promised Land? Has there ever been a situation when it would seem easier to go back into your desert? What did that look like and what did you do?
- 5) John said there are three ways to make the right turns in life. Learn to ask for directions, don't be driven by fear and remember, others are going with you. Which one do you do well, and which one is a struggle for you. Why?

FURTHER DISCUSSION QUESTIONS CAN ALSO BE FOUND ON PAGE 475 IN THE STORY.

