

FOLLOWING GOD FULLY

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Bible Readings

Take a few minutes to read the Bible verses listed and ask the Holy Spirit to lead you in how this verse applies to you this week.

Numbers 13:25-33

Memory Verse

²⁴ But my servant Caleb isn't like the others. So because he has faith in me, I will allow him to cross into Canaan, and his descendants will settle there.

Numbers 14:24



CASEY'S DAY

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Have you learned to ride a bike? If so, then you know about trust. When you first got on the bike, you couldn't balance and needed someone to hold you steady. Once you learned to pedal, they had to run behind you, holding you up. You probably shouted, "Don't let go!" But then—at just the right moment—they let go, and you were biking all by yourself! You had to trust, even though you were afraid.

Caleb had a solid trust in God. In [Numbers 13](#), the Israelites reached Canaan's border, and Moses sent 12 spies to scout the land. Ten returned and cried, "We can't do it!" But Caleb courageously replied that God had promised them this land and, with God, they would be successful! However, the Israelites were afraid and didn't listen. Because of that, they never got to enter the promised land! But Caleb and Joshua were allowed to enter because they followed the Lord fully ([Numbers 32:11-12](#)).

How can you follow the Lord fully? Use Caleb as a model. He wasn't "like the others" ([Numbers 14:24](#)). Caleb showed courage when he spoke against the other spies. He remembered God's promises and trusted that if God were with them, they would not fail. He had a different spirit even when it was difficult to do so!

It can be hard to take a stand when most of the people around you think differently. You may need to tell your friends you shouldn't be doing something and encourage them to stop. You may have to break up a gossipy conversation. You may need to ask to turn off a movie you know isn't God-honoring, even if your friends enjoy it. Following God fully takes courage! Will others see you as one who isn't "like the others"?

Prayer

God, sometimes it's hard to stand for what is right. Lord, I trust you and your promises. I pray that I may have the courage to show my different spirit, much like Caleb. Prepare my heart and give me strength and your peace. Amen.

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