

# The 12 Spies

#### Sabbath

How much water is in this glass?  $\square$  ½ full  $\square$  ½ empty?



Ask your family what they think. Did they say something different? Some people tend to look at things in a positive way while others will see them as more negative. Some people are thankful for what they do have while others are always thinking about what they don't have. What do you normally do?

Does the blue boy look tall? $\square$ yes $\square$ no	
Do you think that the orange boy would say he is tall? $\square$ yes $\square$ no	
Does the blue boy still look tall? $\square$ yes $\square$ no	

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When the blue boy stands next to the orange one he looks tall, but next to the black one he looks short.

In our story this week, two groups of Israelites look at the people in Canaan, but each group sees them differently. When we remember that God is on our side, we will see things differently too.

Fill in the missing w	ords from Romans
8:31 <sub>NLT</sub> and then fin	d all of it's words in
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# Sunday

When the Israelites were close to the Promised Land, God told them to send twelve men, one from each tribe, to go and check it out.

Forty days later the twelve spies returned to give their reports; they also brought back a big bunch of grapes - so big that it took two men to carry!

This is what they said: "The Promised Land is a wonderful and rich place! Look at the grapes and the other fruit we brought back. But the towns are well built and strong and they have many fighting men; some of the people are giants!"

Caleb and Joshua, two of the spies said "Let's go at once to take the land for God is with us and He will fight with us!"

But the other spies cried, "We must not go; the people there are too strong for us!"

The Israelites listened to the ten spies and cried "We should have died in the wilderness. Why didn't we stay in Egypt! Let's choose another leader and go back."

God was angry with the people and said "You keep saying 'We will die here! Why didn't we stay in Egypt?' Why don't you trust Me? Now, you will return to the wilderness and wander for the next forty years; you will not enter the Promised Land; only Caleb and Joshua and your children will."



Then the people were filled with grief. The next morning they went to the top of a hill to look over the land. They said, "We realize that we sinned, but now we are ready to enter the land promised to us."



Moses said, "You are still not listening to God! It won't work; God will not be with you and you cannot win."

But many of the people continued towards the Promised Land; then the people who lived in the hills came down and attacked them and chased them away.

### Friday

Here are some verses to help you when you feel discouraged. Look them up and summarise them in your own words. The first one is done for you.

Philippians 4:6-7
Don't worry: Ask God and give thanks $\rightarrow$ Peace
Jeremiah 29:11
Joshua 1:9
Romans 8:31
Motthou (.21, 22
Matthew 6:31, 33
Proverbs 3:5-6

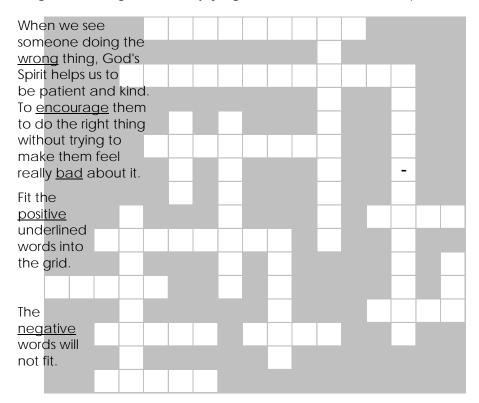
## **Thursday**

Jesus said that we should be the light of the world. This means that other people will learn about God by the things that we do and say. But the only way for us to successfully do this is for us to have God's Holy Spirit working in us. The <u>Holy Spirit</u> produces the <u>Fruit</u> of the Spirit in our lives. <u>Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.</u>

Did the 10 spies have peace, joy and self-control? No, they were filled with <u>doubt</u>, <u>worry</u> and <u>fear</u>.

When we are <u>scared</u>, worried, or <u>discouraged</u>, instead of complaining about it to everyone, we need turn to God's word which is a <u>lamp</u> for our feet and a <u>light</u> for our path.

When someone does something to <u>annoy</u> us, talking to God about it will help us have self-control. God will help us to love that person, to let go of our <u>anger</u>, to have joy again and to be <u>kind</u> to that person.



# Monday

The lampstand in the Sanctuary was hammered out of one piece of pure gold, and made according to the very detailed plan given by God. Even the tools used to care for the lamps were made of gold.

The lampstand was decorated with cups shaped like almond flowers and topped with the bowls and wicks of seven oil lamps.

This was the only source of light in the Sanctuary.

The purpose of the lamp stand was not only to bring light to the Sanctuary; it was also an object lesson.

Light in the Bible is often used as a symbol of the wisdom, knowledge and understanding of God's way, and darkness is a symbol of ignorance, trouble and sin.

In John 8:12 Jesus said, "I am the <u>light</u> of the world. If you follow Me, you won't have to walk in <u>darkness</u>, because you will have the <u>light</u> that leads to life.

Psalm 119:105 calls God's word a lamp and a light.

The lamps in the Sanctuary were filled with pure olive oil. In Bible times, olive oil was burned for light, eaten for food and also used in anointing. In Luke 4:18 Jesus quotes from the book of Isaiah, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, for He has anointed Me..."

1 Samuel 16:13 also speak about the Spirit of the Lord filling David when He was anointed. Bible experts agree that the oil represents the Holy Spirit.

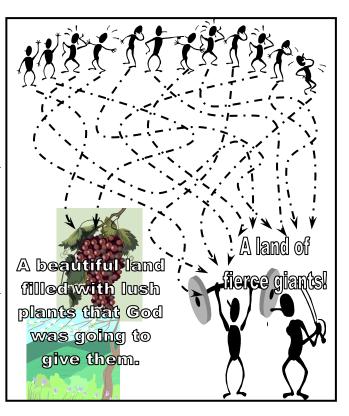
In Matthew 5:14-16 Jesus said that we are to also be the light of the world so that other people will learn more about God by watching the things that we do. With the power of the Holy Spirit working in us, we will have the Fruit of the Spirit, love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control and so we will spread the light of God's way to the people around us.

## Tuesday

What did each spie find?

The ten spies forgotten that with God all things are possible. (Matthew lf you 19:26) this remember you will be like Caleb and Joshua, and not like the other ten spies.

Find the underlined words in the grid below.





#### Wednesday

Look up the missing word from these verses and solve the crossword.

- Psalm 119:105<sub>NLT</sub> says, "Your \_\_\_\_ (1 down) is a \_\_\_\_ (10 across) to guide my feet and a light for my path."
- What did Jesus call Himself in John 8:12? The \_\_\_\_ (6 across) of the world.
- What type of oil was used for the lamps in the Sanctuary?
- Exodus 27:20 (5 down)
- In Luke 4:18, Jesus said, "The \_\_\_\_\_(8a) of the \_\_\_\_(2a) is upon
   Me, for He has \_\_\_\_\_(11a) Me..."
- Matthew 5:14, "You are the light of the \_\_\_\_ (3a) like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden
- In Matthew 25:1-12 Jesus said the \_\_\_\_\_ (7d) of \_\_\_\_ (9d) is like ten bridesmaids waiting for the bridegroom. Five ran out of olive \_\_\_ (4d) for their lamps and missed out on the wedding feast. Because they didn't have the Holy Spirit any more God didn't know them they weren't His people any more. 3 4