

**BATTLE READY**

Preparing For Spiritual Warfare

Deception ▪ Evil ▪ Anxiety ▪ Fear ▪ Confusion ▪ Temptation

**BATTLING FEAR**

*(Shield of Faith)*

Ephesians 6:16

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**SLIDE: SOLDIER WITH ARMOR OF GOD (Shield of Faith)**

**CASE STUDY: Israel's Failure To Possess The Promised Land**  
Numbers 13:1-2,26-32

**THE RESULTS OF FEAR:**

◆ **DISCONTENTMENT:** Fear steals our \_\_\_\_\_.

Numbers 14:1 *That night all the people of the community raised their voices and wept aloud.*

◆ **DISCOURAGEMENT:** Fear drains our \_\_\_\_\_.

Numbers 14:2 *All the Israelites grumbled against Moses and Aaron and the whole assembly said to them, "If only we had died in Egypt or in this desert!"*

◆ **DISILLUSIONMENT:** Fear clouds our \_\_\_\_\_.

Numbers 14:3 *"Why is the Lord bringing us to this land only to let us fall by the sword? Our wives and children will be taken as plunder. Wouldn't it be better for us to go back to Egypt?"*

◆ **DISBELIEF:** Fear weakens our \_\_\_\_\_.

Numbers 14:11,23 *The Lord said to Moses, "How long will these people treat me with contempt? How long will they refuse to believe in me, in spite of all the miraculous signs I have performed among them? Not one of them will ever see the land I promised on oath to their forefathers. No one who has treated me with contempt will ever see it."*

1. Let's \_\_\_\_\_ in God's \_\_\_\_\_.

Numbers 14:8 *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.*

2. Let's \_\_\_\_\_ to God's \_\_\_\_\_.

Numbers 14:9a *Only do not rebel against the Lord.*

3. Let's \_\_\_\_\_ with God's \_\_\_\_\_.

Numbers 14:9b *Do not be afraid of the people of the land, because we will swallow them up.*

4. Let's \_\_\_\_\_ in God's \_\_\_\_\_.

Numbers 14:9c *Their protection is gone, but the Lord is with us. Do not be afraid of them.*

5. Let's \_\_\_\_\_ in God's \_\_\_\_\_.

Numbers 14:10b,24 *But the whole assembly talked about stoning them. Then the glory of the Lord appeared at the Tent of Meeting to all the Israelites...Because my servant Caleb has a different spirit and follows me wholeheartedly, I will bring him into the land he went to, and his descendants will inherit it.*

**FINAL WORD:**

Isaiah 41:10 (NLT) *Don't be afraid, for I am with you. Don't be discouraged, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you. I will hold you up with my victorious right hand.*

**What fear am I facing in my life? How will I overcome it?**

**VIDEO: Shane & Shane - Faith to Believe - (with lyrics) by Gary McDuffee**

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