



## I. INTRO/REVIEW

### A. Overflow

**Romans 15:13 (NLT)** I pray that God, the source of hope, will fill you completely with joy and peace because you trust in him. Then you will overflow with confident hope through the power of the Holy Spirit.

**Overflow:** The excess or surplus not able to be accommodated by an available space.

**Overflowing:** To fill a space to capacity and spread beyond its limits

### B. Your position is important

- Maybe you're forfeiting the promise of God because you're out of position

### C. Bold faith

- A scared world needs a fearless church

**1 John 5:4-5 (NKJV)** For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. Who is he who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

**Proverbs 28:1 (NKJV)** The wicked flee when no one pursues, But the righteous are bold as a lion.

**Hebrews 4:16 (TLB)** So let us come boldly to the very throne of God and stay there to receive his mercy and to find grace to help us in our times of need.

**Hebrews 13:5-6 (NIRV)** Don't be controlled by love for money. Be happy with what you have. God has said, "I will never leave you. I will never desert you." So we can say boldly, "The Lord helps me. I will not be afraid. What can mere human beings do to me?"

### D. Joy and peace in the believing

**Romans 15:13 (Young's Literal Translation)** and the God of the hope shall fill you with all joy and peace in the believing, for your abounding in the hope in power of the Holy Spirit.

## II. PERSPECTIVE

**Numbers 13:1-2 (NLT)** The Lord now said to Moses, "Send out men to explore the land of Canaan, the land I am giving to the Israelites. Send one leader from each of the twelve ancestral tribes."

### A. Every promise in the book is mine

**Numbers 13:17-20 (NLT)** Moses gave the men these instructions as he sent them out to explore the land: "Go north through the Negev into the hill country. See what the land is like, and find out whether the people living there are strong or weak, few or many. See what kind of land they live in. Is it good or bad? Do their towns have walls, or are they unprotected like open camps? Is the soil fertile or poor? Are there many trees? Do your best to bring back samples of the crops you see." (It happened to be the season for harvesting the first ripe grapes.)

- They are getting a glimpse of the promise



**Numbers 13:25-27 (NLT)** After exploring the land for forty days, the men returned to Moses, Aaron, and the whole community of Israel at Kadesh in the wilderness of Paran. They reported to the whole community what they had seen and showed them the fruit they had taken from the land. This was their report to Moses: “We entered the land you sent us to explore, and it is indeed a bountiful country—a land flowing with milk and honey. Here is the kind of fruit it produces.

B. Your perspective may hold the key to your promise

**Numbers 13:28-29 (NLT)** But the people living there are powerful, and their towns are large and fortified. We even saw giants there, the descendants of Anak! The Amalekites live in the Negev, and the Hittites, Jebusites, and Amorites live in the hill country. The Canaanites live along the coast of the Mediterranean Sea and along the Jordan Valley.”

**Numbers 13:30 (NLT)** But Caleb tried to quiet the people as they stood before Moses. “Let’s go at once to take the land,” he said. “We can certainly conquer it!”

C. Who’s informing you?

**Numbers 13:31-33 (NLT)** But the other men who had explored the land with him disagreed. “We can’t go up against them! They are stronger than we are!” So they spread this bad report about the land among the Israelites: “The land we traveled through and explored will devour anyone who goes to live there. All the people we saw were huge. We even saw giants there, the descendants of Anak. Next to them we felt like grasshoppers, and that’s what they thought, too!”

D. Your outlook has the ability to change destinies

**Numbers 14:1-4 (NLT)** Then the whole community began weeping aloud, and they cried all night. Their voices rose in a great chorus of protest against Moses and Aaron. “If only we had died in Egypt, or even here in the wilderness!” they complained. “Why is the Lord taking us to this country only to have us die in battle? Our wives and our little ones will be carried off as plunder! Wouldn’t it be better for us to return to Egypt?” Then they plotted among themselves, “Let’s choose a new leader and go back to Egypt!”

D. God honors the outlook of faith

**Numbers 14:24 (NLT)** But my servant Caleb has a different attitude than the others have. He has remained loyal to me, so I will bring him into the land he explored. His descendants will possess their full share of that land.