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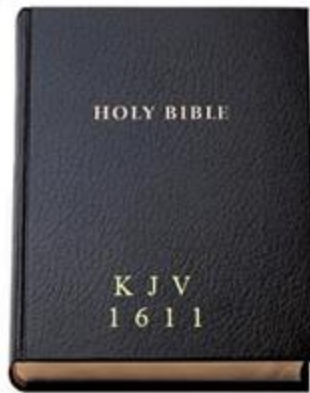
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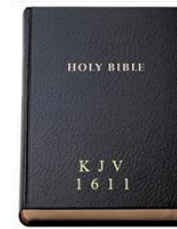
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Survey Of The Bible I

Genesis-Deuteronomy

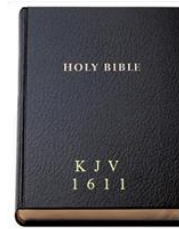
Num 13-14



Outline Of Num 13-14

1. The RECRUITMENT of the spies (13:1-20)
2. The RECONNAISSANCE of the spies (13:21-25)
3. The REPORT of the spies (13:26-33)
4. The REBELLION of the godless (14:1-4)
5. The RESPONSE of the godly (14:5-19)
6. The REPRIMAND of God (14:20-39)
7. The REAPING of the generation (14:40-45)

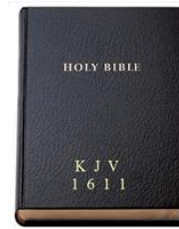




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- 13= the # of REBELLION (14:9; Deu 1:26) cf. (Gen 13; Rev 13)
- The Lord told Moses to SEND men into the land (one from each of the 12 tribes) and to SEARCH the LAND (13:2)- NOTHING more
- The name SETHUR (13:13) adds up to 666 in Hebrew
- Moses ADDS to the word of God by telling the spies to search two things the Lord never said to: (1) the PEOPLE (whether they are strong or weak, few or many); and (2) the CITIES (whether they are tents or strong holds)
- There was also no need to see if the land was “good or bad” because the Lord had already told them it was GOOD (Exo 3:8)
- The first appearance of ANAK(IM) (13:22) (appears 18x= 6+6+6)
- Anak, his three sons, and his father Arbah (Jos 15:13), of whom Hebron was originally named after(i.e.- Kirjath-Arbah) (Jud 1:10), were GIANTS (13:33)
- Eschol= “cluster”; one CLUSTER of grapes had to be borne between two men on a staff (13:23), for this to be necessary, the grapes must have been the size of a GRAPEFRUIT!

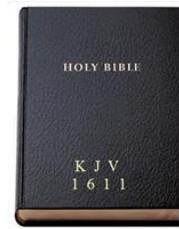




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- The spies report of the land was that it was a land flowing with milk and honey (13:27)- just like the Lord said (Exo 13:8); and the huge cluster of grapes was the evidence of this fact
 - NEVERTHELESS= there is no “nevertheless” when God has promised, even if circumstances appear to contradict the promise
 - The evil report of the land was based on the PEOPLE and the CITIES (13:28), the two things Moses added to the Lord’s scouting report
 - The news must have caused an uproar among the people since Caleb had to still them (13:30)- the uproar may have been, “the Lord didn’t tell us there were GIANTS in the land”!
 - WE ARE WELL ABLE TO OVERCOME IT= Caleb’s words were words of faith that circumstances don’t change the promise of God- he may have added, “the Lord didn’t mention there were giants in the land, because it doesn’t change his promise to give us the land”
 - Caleb pictures the SPIRITUAL Christian who OVERCOMES by FAITH (1 John 5:4)
 - By comparing (Deu 1:29-31), it seems Moses also spoke up at this time and tried to convince the people to have faith
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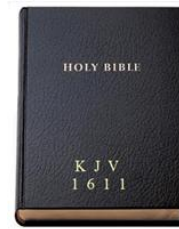




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- WE BE NOT ABLE (13:31)= the 10 spies picture CARNAL Christians who ARE OVERCOME by FEAR
- THE PEOPLE...ARE STRONGER THAN WE (13:31)= true, but not stronger than the Lord; they forgot the promise of (Exo 23:20-23; 33:2)
- Canaan (the Promised land) represents the VICTORIOUS Christian life, and most do not have the FAITH and the FIGHT to possess it, just like Israel
- The first time the word GIANTS appears in (13:33) it is translated from the Hebrew word *Nephiyl* (pl. *Nephilim*); this word only appears here and in (Gen 6:4)
- GIANTS were the mutant and hybrid offspring of fallen angels and women (Gen 6:2,4); regardless of how this reproduction was able to take place, the natural fact is that hybrids are STERILE (i.e.- mules)- there are only two ways their numbers can increase: (1) continuous CROSS-BREEDING; or (2) genetic engineering
- Since all the giants were killed in the Flood, there had to be at least one “extra-terrestrial” invasion and cohabitation AFTER the Flood to account for all the giants cf. (Deu 2:10,12,20,23; 2 Sam 21:22)

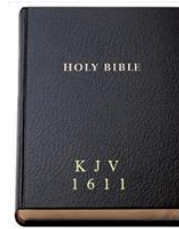




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- The second time the word GIANTS appears in (13:33) it is translated from the Hebrew word *Gibbowr* (pl. *Gibborim*); this word appears in (Gen 6:4) and is translated as MIGHTY
 - The crying and unbelief at Kadesh-Barnea (14:1) is the tenth of 10x the children of Israel “tempt” the Lord cf. (14:22)
 - The unfortunate sequence of events that transpires when troubles and trials confront the carnal: (1) they see reality from the perspective of their circumstances (13:28); (2) they walk by sight and not faith so their faith falters (13:31); (3) they cry in complaint and begin to murmur (14:1-2); (4) they accuse the Lord (14:3); and (5) they determine to go back into the world for relief (14:4)
 - The Lord gave them this one last chance to repent, but they wanted to stone Joshua and Caleb (14:10)
 - For the second time, the Lord threatens to disinherit Israel and make a great nation out of Moses; and for the second time, Moses intercedes for Israel (type of CHRIST) (14:11-19) cf. (Exo 32:9-14)
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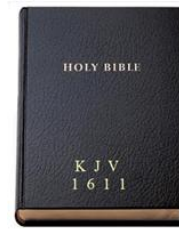




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 - The people had faith to apply the blood of the lamb and to EXIT Egypt (Exo 12), but they did not have faith to ENTER the Promised Land
 - Kadesh-Barnea serves as an example (1 Cor 10:3-6) and warning (Heb 3:7-19; 6:4-6) of the consequences of UNBELIEF, regardless of the legitimacy of one's profession- it will prevent the lost from having ETERNAL life (Rev 21:8), and the carnal Christian from having an ABUNDANT life (John 10:10)
 - Those younger than 20 years old (i.e.- the “little ones” and “children”), as well as Joshua and Caleb, would still have to bear the sins of the people and wander in the wilderness for 40 years (i.e.- a year for each day the spies were in the land) until that generation was consumed (14:31-34)
 - This illustrates the fact that the spiritual believer will still suffer negative consequences for the sins of the carnal believer and unbeliever, if all abide in the same “camp” (e.g.- a nation, a church, a family), because sin defiles the ENTIRE camp cf. (Jos 6:18)
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- The people did not genuinely repent (14:40)- they were sorry only AFTER they heard of their punishment (2 Cor 7:10; Heb 12:17)
 - AMALEK= type of the FLESH; defeats the child of God who presumes to fight the battle under his own power (Rom 7:18)
 - The WILDERNESS is typical of the life of every Christian but it is the Lord's will that we JOURNEY through it, not WANDER
 - The children of Israel JOURNEYED from Egypt (Exo 12:37), across the Red sea, and through the wilderness up to Kadesh-Barnea (Exo 16:1; 17:1; 40:36-38; Num 9:17-23; 10:2,6,12,28-29,33; 11:35; 12:15); but WANDERED in the wilderness until they returned to Kadesh 40 years later (15:1-20:22)
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