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"Then Caleb silenced the people before the Moses and said, "We should go up and take possession of the land for we can certainly do it." But the men who had gone up with him said, "We can't attack those people; they are stronger than we are."

I. Face the Facts (Num. 13:17-29)

- A. <u>Know</u> your situation
- B. <u>Speak</u> the truth

II. Feed your Faith (Num. 13:30)

- A. The <u>fuel</u> of God's Word
- B. The focus on God's promise (Num. 13:2; Heb. 11:1; Col. 2:7)
- C. <u>Speak</u> faith into facts
- D. F. A. I. T. H. = <u>Forsaking</u> All I <u>Trust</u> Him!

<u>III. <mark>Flee</mark> your Fear (Num. 13:31 – 14:5)</u>

- A. Fear <u>victimizes</u> Believes others are always stronger
 F. E. A. R. = <u>False</u> Evidence Appearing <u>Real</u>
- B. Fear <u>divides</u> Causes others to doubt
- C. Fear <u>exaggerates</u> Everything looks worse than it is.
- D. Fear leans to <u>emotion</u> We begin to feel helpless
- E. Fear leads to <u>blame</u> and excuses Looking for a scapegoat

<u>IV. Express your Faith (Num. 14:5 – 9)</u>

- A. Caleb and Joshua express their <u>sorrow</u> (vs. 6)
- B. They expressed the <u>blessings</u> of God (vs. 7)
- C. They expressed their faith in God's promise (vs. 8)
- D. They expressed the link between fear and <u>disobedience</u> (vs. 9a)
- E. They expressed <u>the absolute</u> fact "*The Lord is with us*" (vs. 9b)