



Is There More To Life Than This? (Part 3) Pastor Ryan Bunbury *How to Face Life's Uncertainties* October 17, 2021

SERIES TEXT: The thief comes only in order to steal, kill, and destroy. I have come in order that you might have life—life in all its fullness." John 10:10 GNT

SERIES BIG IDEA: God loves you and He came, in the person of His Son, Jesus, to set you free and to enjoy life in all its fullness.

How To Face Life's Uncertainties

1. KEEP ON TRUSTING THE LORD'S WORD

: "... explore the land of Canaan, which I am giving to the Israelites." Numbers 13:2a NIV

80% said: "We can't." (Numbers 13:31)

20% said: "We can!" (Numbers 13:30)

"BUT... the only thing is... the people... and the cities... Worse yet..." (Numbers 13:28-29)

Yes or No : Am I an 80% thinker?

"Amalekites are spread out in the Negev; Hittites, Jebusites, and Amorites hold the hill country; and the Canaanites..." Numbers 13:29 MSG

"Being positive does not mean we deny the existence of difficulty; it means we believe God is greater than our difficulties." - Joyce Meyer

"How long refuse to TRUST ME?" Numbers 14:11a MSG

2. KEEP ON TELLING OTHERS THE GOOD NEWS

And they [80%] spread among the Israelites A BAD REPORT... Numbers 13:32 NIV
-The whole community was in an uproar... All the People of Israel GRUMBLED...
(Numbers 14:1a-2a MSG)

Three Types of Conversationalist:

- 1) The Museum Keepers - Content to dust off the memories and talk about the past ("We'll see..." grumbling)
- 2) The Settlers - Comfortable where they are and don't care about moving forward ("Let's see..." doubt)
- 3) The Pioneers - Risktakers willing to confront the enemy, leave the past behind and look forward to miracles ahead ("Come and see!" faith)

Do everything WITHOUT COMPLAINING OR ARGUING. Philippians 2:14 NIV
| DO NOT GRUMBLE... 1 Corinthians 10:10a NIV)

Above all, love... Offer hospitality to one another WITHOUT GRUMBLING.

1 Peter 4:8-9 NIV

"STOP GRUMBLING..." - Jesus, John 6:43a NIV

Perpetuate the Good News not the grumbling.

Then Caleb silenced the [80%] people... Numbers 13:30 NIV)
Caleb [20%] interrupted... Numbers 13:30 MSG

We CAN~~n~~ot!
It's im~~p~~ossible!
You're un~~a~~ble!

"God is on our side. Don't be afraid!" - Joshua [God-Saves] Numbers 14:9b MSG
"Do not be afraid. I bring you GOOD NEWS of great joy... for all the people." Luke 2:10 NIV
"We can certainly do it." Numbers 13:30b NIV
"We can do all things through Christ who strengthens us". Philippians 4:13

III. KEEP ON TURNING TO THE LORD

GOD, slow to get angry and huge in loyal love, forgiving iniquity and rebellion and sin;
Still never just whitewashing sin. Numbers 14:18a MSG
Of the men who went to explore the land, only Joshua son of Nun and Caleb son of Jephunneh survived. Numbers 14:38 NIV

ADVICE: The Lord is with the 20%, so go with the 20%!

"Now, please, let the power of the Master expand..." Numbers 14:17a MSG

Your life-song transforms from a mess into a masterpiece in Jesus' hands!

-Why Turn to Jesus?

- 1) Jesus knows your situation (discord & all, He cares)
- 2) There is nothing Jesus cannot handle (Masterful hands)
- 3) Jesus has a *really* good plan for your life (He's working for your good)

-"Keep on playing!"

**-The Master Pianist who transformed his amateur son's playing
into a orchestrated masterpiece**