

# The Spirit of Two Gs

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# Recent Events

- **Recent events**

- **Cousin in LaFayette**
- **Cousin in town**

- **Ralph/Martin**

- **Me**

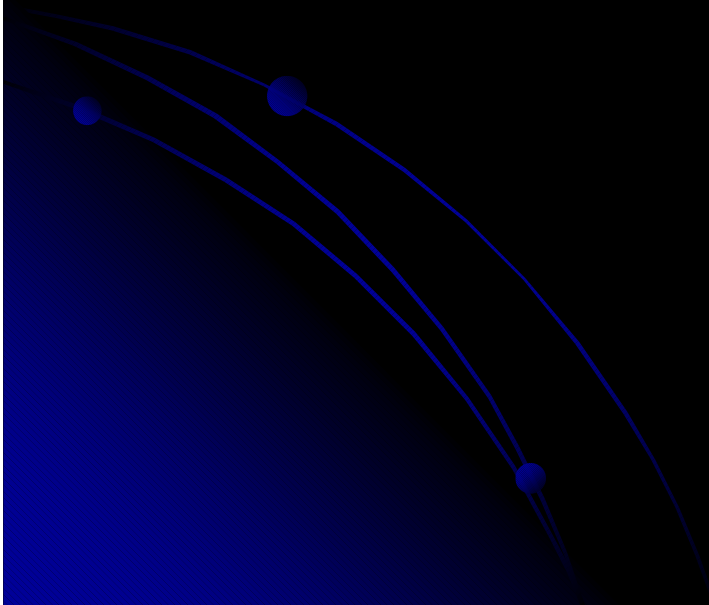
- **Interesting phenomenon**

- **Same situation/environment, yet the people would see different things**
  - **ex. Children, husband/wife, work**
  - **Why?**

# What Bible Says

- **Num 13:1-3**

**1 The LORD said to Moses, 2 "Send some men to explore the land of Canaan, which I am giving to the Israelites. From each ancestral tribe send one of its leaders." 3 So at the LORD's command Moses sent them out from the Desert of Paran. All of them were leaders of the Israelites.**



# What Bible Says

- Num 13:26 – 14:12

26 They came back to Moses and Aaron and the whole Israelite community at Kadesh in the Desert of Paran. There they reported to them and to the whole assembly and showed them the fruit of the land. 27 They gave Moses this account:

**"We went into the land to which you sent us, and it does flow with milk and honey! Here is its fruit.**

**28 But the people who live there are powerful, and the cities are fortified and very large. We even saw descendants of Anak there. 29 The Amalekites live in the Negev; the Hittites, Jebusites and Amorites live in the hill country; and the Canaanites live near the sea and along the Jordan."**

# What Bible Says

- Num 13:26 – 14:12

30 Then Caleb silenced the people before Moses and said, "**We should go up and take possession of the land, for we can certainly do it.**"

31 But the men who had gone up with him said, "We can't attack those people; they are stronger than we are." 32 And they spread among the Israelites a bad report about the land they had explored. They said, "**The land we explored devours those living in it. All the people we saw there are of great size.** 33 We saw the Nephilim there (the descendants of Anak come from the Nephilim). We seemed like grasshoppers in our own eyes, and we looked the same to them."

# What Bible Says

- Num 13:26 – 14:12

1 That night all the people of the community raised their voices and wept aloud. 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! 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?" 4 And they said to each other, "We should choose a leader and go back to Egypt."

# What Bible Says

- Num 13:26 – 14:12

5 Then Moses and Aaron fell facedown in front of the whole Israelite assembly gathered there. 6 Joshua son of Nun and Caleb son of Jephunneh, who were among those who had explored the land, tore their clothes 7 and said to the entire Israelite assembly, **"The land we passed through and explored is exceedingly good. 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. 9 Only do not rebel against the LORD. And do not be afraid of the people of the land, because we will swallow them up. Their protection is gone, but the LORD is with us. Do not be afraid of them."**

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**10 But the whole assembly talked about stoning them. Then the glory of the LORD appeared at the Tent of Meeting to all the Israelites. 11 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? 12 I will strike them down with a plague and destroy them, but I will make you into a nation greater and stronger than they."**

# Really It's What in the Heart

- **12 spies saw differently**

- Not because of the differences in their eyes, but rather what is stored in their hearts

- Luke 6:45 The good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and the evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. **For out of the overflow of his heart his mouth speaks.**

- Eph 1:18 I pray also that the **eyes of your heart** may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints,

# Heart: The Spirit of Two Gs

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# Grumbling vs. Gratefulness

<b>Self</b>	<b>We are too weak (ie. Grasshoppers)</b>	<b>If God is pleased with us...</b>
<b>Other</b>	<b>They are too strong... have too much</b>	<b>Don't be Afraid.. Don't compare...</b>
<b>Circumstance</b>	<b>Hard Life... Better before</b>	<b>Not too hard for God... He has a plan for us.. char</b>
<b>God's Miracles</b>	<b>Easily forget</b>	<b>Faith</b>
<b>Disposition</b>	<b>Grumbled &amp; Spread negative words</b>	<b>Bold, Do not be Afraid, Trust</b>
<b>Timing</b>	<b>Now – instant Gratification.. easy</b>	<b>Wait - For God's timing</b>

# Consequences

## ● Grumbling

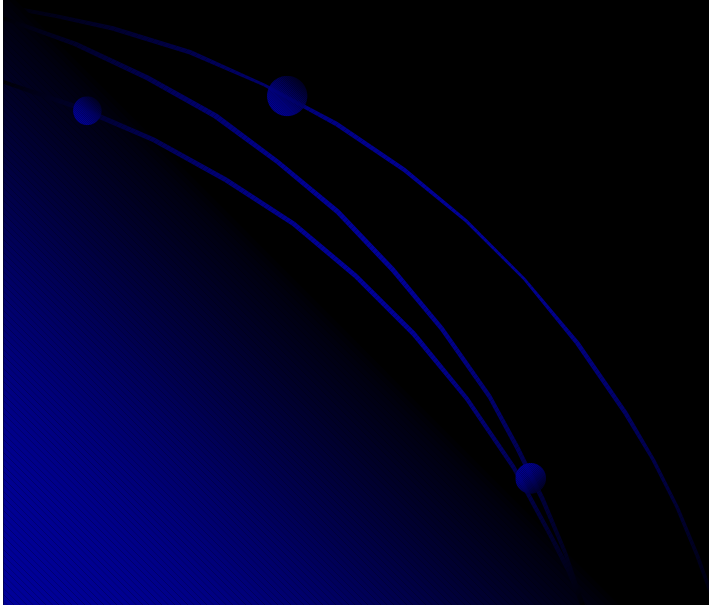
- **Discipline: God wants to wipe them off the face of the earth (Num 14:12)**
- **Who likes grumbling people? Negative**
- **Repulse People**
- **Depress/Lack of Joy**
- **lack of life**

## ● Gratefulness

- **Studies have shown that Grateful people are not depressed**
- **Attracts**
- **Joy**
- **full Life**

# Choice

- **Mat 18:21-35**
  - **Parable of the unforgiving servant**
- **Eze 36:25-27**
  - **Heart of stone with Heart of flesh**
- **Deut 30:11-20**
  - **Choice of life or death**



# Prayer

- What spoke to you in this message?
- Do you find it's easier to grumble or to be grateful?
- Share an area that you would like prayer for.

