

Big Idea:

Even when
others choose
not to, I will
keep trusting
the Lord.



Top Secret Spies

Bible Verse:

In God I trust and am not afraid.
What can man do to me?
Psalm 56:11

Read this Bible Spy Story: Numbers 13

Moses and the Israelites were getting very close to Canaan, the land God had promised them. Now God told Moses to send 12 spies to explore the land he was giving them. Moses selected 12 men – one from each of the twelve tribes. He told them to sneak into the land and find out about the people who lived there, the food that grew there and what their cities looked like.

Read Numbers 13:17-20 to read Moses' instructions.

They were on a mission to gather as much information as possible!

The Israelites waited for over a month for the spies to return. Finally, the spies arrived back, two of them carrying a cluster of grapes sooo big that it took two men with long poles to carry them! They had pomegranates and figs – the land was wonderful!

But.... 10 of the spies told Moses, "The land is amazing, but the people who live there are GIANTS!! They are strong and their cities have huge walls around them – we should not go there!

But 2 spies, Joshua and Caleb, said, "We should go! We can do it! God will help us!"

Read Caleb's words in Numbers 13:30

The people were not convinced so they complained again to Moses, "We should go back to Egypt!" God heard everything the people said. He knew they didn't trust him, even after all he had done for them! So God told Moses that only those 2 trusting spies and the youngest children would be able to go enjoy the new land.



Let's Talk:

1. Read the Bible verse again. We can trust God to give us the strength we need even when things are difficult.
2. What did most of the spies report to the people? What did Joshua and Caleb say?
3. Why can we trust God? What is he like?

Challenge:

Our country, The United States of America has the words "In God we trust" written on all our coins and currency. See if you can find those words on a dollar bill and on a penny.

