

A DIFFERENT SPIRIT
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DIFFERENT

1. Definition

- a. Not alike in character & quality
- b. Distinct in nature
- c. Out of the ordinary & unusual

2. A Different Spirit

- a. A different attitude
 - i. Glass half full/Positive outlook
 - ii. “Everything is subject to change” mindset instead of “It is what it is”
 - iii. Set him apart from everyone else
 - iv. Not external and cannot be manufactured

WHAT MADE CALEB SO DIFFERENT?

1. He Had An Unwavering Trust For God (Faith)

- a. Caleb believed that with God, every giant that stands in your way can be conquered, even when others say they can't.
- b. He remembered the promise God made. *(Numbers 13:2)*
- c. He fully believed God and based on his faith responded accordingly. That positive outlook. *(Numbers 14:7,8)*
- d. The (10) lacked the right spirit & didn't trust God to do exactly what He had promised. *(I will refer to Exodus 3:17 no slide)*
- e. Obedience is always vital. Make decision to always follow God's commands. He wholly followed God. *(Numbers 13:30)*
 - a. We have to have a different view of the situations in the world.

2. He Had An Awareness Of God's Presence

- a. Caleb knew the Lord was with them and considered their enemies already defeated. He recognized with the presence of God, the battle was already won. *(Numbers 14:9)*

3. He Was Passionate About God & Wholeheartedly Served The Lord

- a. His heart & love for God made him willing to go for it no matter what stood in his way. He was ready & willing to go fight.
- b. He was willing to wait and work for it even though it took (40) years to fulfill.
- c. In old age he remained young at heart and totally committed to God. He fully followed God with the same zeal & passion at (45) & (85). *(Numbers 32:11,12)*
- d. He was “all in” with God. *(Numbers 14:24)*
- e. Because of their different spirit and their willingness to be all in with God, they survived the wilderness and received their inheritance. *(Joshua 14:6-15)*

HOW DO I GET RIGHT & ADJUST TO HAVE A DIFFERENT SPIRIT?

1. Repentance (*Psalm 51:10*)
2. Begin To Have Faith (Trust) In God (*Psalm 28:7*)
3. Be Aware Of & Manage Your Thoughts (*2 Corinthians 10:5*)
4. Get In & Stay In The Word Of God (*Hebrews 4:12*)

CLOSING

- The spirit of Caleb :
 - Wasn't negative.
 - Wasn't fearful of his enemies.
 - Didn't speak negatively and transfer a spirit of fear to the people.
 - Spoke with confidence and tried to encourage others not to fear, but to believe they could make with God's help.
- When we carry a different spirit within us, we will overcome all and live victoriously.

Numbers 13:2 (NKJV)

² "Send men to spy out the land of Canaan, which I am giving to the children of Israel; from each tribe of their fathers you shall send a man, everyone a leader among them."

Numbers 14:7,8 (NKJV)

⁷ and they spoke to all the congregation of the children of Israel, saying: "The land we passed through to spy out is an exceedingly good land. ⁸ If the LORD delights in us, then He will bring us into this land and give it to us, 'a land which flows with milk and honey.'

Numbers 13:30 (NKJV)

³⁰ Then Caleb quieted the people before Moses, and said, "Let us go up at once and take possession, for we are well able to overcome it."

Numbers 14:9 (NKJV)

⁹ Only do not rebel against the LORD, nor fear the people of the land, for they^[a] are our bread; their protection has departed from them, and the LORD is with us. Do not fear them."

Numbers 32:11-12 (NKJV)

¹¹ 'Surely none of the men who came up from Egypt, from twenty years old and above, shall see the land of which I swore to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, because they have not wholly followed Me, ¹² except Caleb the son of Jephunneh, the Kenizzite, and Joshua the son of Nun, for they have wholly followed the LORD.'

Numbers 14:24 (NKJV)

²⁴ But My servant Caleb, because he has a different spirit in him and has followed Me fully, I will bring into the land where he went, and his descendants shall inherit it.

Joshua 14:6-15 (NKV)

⁶ Then the children of Judah came to Joshua in Gilgal. And Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenizzite said to him: "You know the word which the LORD said to Moses the man of God concerning you and me in Kadesh Barnea. ⁷ I was forty years old when Moses the servant of the LORD sent me from Kadesh Barnea to spy out the land, and I brought back word to him as it was in my heart. ⁸ Nevertheless my brethren who went up with me made the ^[a]heart of the people melt, but I wholly followed the LORD my God. ⁹ So Moses swore on that day, saying, 'Surely the land where your foot has trodden shall be your inheritance and your children's forever, because you have wholly followed the LORD my God.' ¹⁰ And now, behold, the LORD has kept me alive, as He said, these forty-five years, ever since the LORD spoke this word to Moses while Israel ^[b]wandered in the wilderness; and now, here I am this day, eighty-five years old. ¹¹ As yet I am as strong this day as on the day that Moses sent me; just as my strength was then, so now is my strength for war, both for going out and for coming in. ¹² Now therefore, give me this mountain of which the LORD spoke in that day; for you heard in that day how the Anakim were there, and that the cities were great and fortified. It may be that the LORD will be with me, and I shall be able to drive them out as the LORD said."

¹³ And Joshua blessed him and gave Hebron to Caleb the son of Jephunneh as an inheritance. ¹⁴ Hebron therefore became the inheritance of Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenizzite to this day, because he wholly followed the LORD God of Israel. ¹⁵ And the name of Hebron formerly was Kirjath Arba (Arba was the greatest man among the Anakim).

Then the land had rest from war.

Psalms 51:10 (AMPC)

¹⁰ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right, persevering, and steadfast spirit within me.

Psalms 28:7 (NKJV)

The LORD is my strength and my shield; My heart trusted in Him, and I am helped; Therefore my heart greatly rejoices, and with my song I will praise Him.

2 Corinthians 10:5 (NIV)

⁵ We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.

Hebrews 4:12 (TPT)

¹² For we have the living Word of God, which is full of energy, ^[a]like a two-mouthed sword. ^[b]It will even penetrate to the very core of our being where soul and spirit, bone ^[c]and marrow meet! ^[d]It interprets and reveals the true thoughts and secret motives of our hearts.