

## **BELIEVING DIFFERENTLY**

### **WHAT WILL THIS YEAR HOLD?**

- What do you believe?
  1. No idea - we'll see
  2. Fearful low level sense of dread
  3. Looking for and expecting good things
- Believing for a good year **(*Psalm 27:13 NKJV*)**
  1. Not everything was perfect - could have lost heart (courage)
  2. But believed to see the goodness of the Lord - before it got good

### **TWO WHO BELIEVED DIFFERENTLY**

- 12 spies sent to look at the land **(*Numbers 13:27-28, 30-31 NKJV*)**
  1. God promised them this land - a good land
  2. They all observed the same land but...
- Two totally different beliefs
  1. Two men said we can do this - we are well able
  2. Ten men said we can't do this - the people are stronger than we are
  3. The nation went with the majority - expecting something bad
- Two men chose to believe something different about God **(*Numbers 14:7-9 NKJV*)**
  1. The Lord delights in us - God's favor is on us
  2. The Lord will help us
  3. With the Lord's help we are stronger - we don't have to be afraid

### **BELIEVING DIFFERENTLY THIS YEAR**

- We can or we can't - we choose
  1. We can't control everything that happens this year
  2. We can choose what we believe **(*Mark 5:36 NKJV*)**
- Do what makes you stronger in your heart **(*Joshua 14:7-8 NKJV*)**
  1. Hearing, thinking about and speaking negatives will not help you
  2. Hearing, thinking about God's word puts His words in your heart
  3. Speaking God's words, not what you feel and see, makes your heart stronger
- Choose to believe good things about God and you **(*Romans 8:31-32 NKJV*)**
  1. He delights/favors you
  2. That He will help you
  3. With His help you are stronger than what you will face this year