

## **YOUTH CONFERENCE 2024 - SATURDAY PM | Jeff Bogue**

### **Overview:**

Speaker (Jeff Bogue) wrapped up the week of messages reminding us of how we have heard from speakers about the truth of God's grace, God's goodness, God's presence, and God's Great Commission for us. He pointed us to Numbers 13 as the Israelites were on the edge of entering the Promise Land and they received the report from the 12 spies. While they all agreed on the status of the Promise Land, 2 of them trusted God enough to say, 'Let's go conquer it!', while the other 10 said, 'No way!'. And the challenge posed to us from Jeff is: You can't be all talk and no action. You must find your courage and be willing to act. This message will challenge students to go from just talking (just making commitments) to actually acting on those commitments.

**Key Scripture:** Numbers 13-14; Joshua 1:1-7

**Ice-breaker Question:** Share about a time when you tried something new, something you have never done before. How did it turn out?

### **Dig Deeper:**

As Jeff shared his skiing story, he summed up the story by saying it is easy for most of us to just follow Jesus on the bunny hill. It's comfortable, it doesn't require much risk, and failure is less likely to happen. But the reality is:

**IF YOU ARE ALL TALK AND DO NOT FIND YOUR COURAGE, YOUR  
GENERATION WILL BE LOST TO THE GOSPEL**

**READ** Numbers 13

- *If God had already promised the land to Israel, why do you think the Lord told Moses to send men to spy out the land?*
- *List out the items that were reported back to Moses, from the men who were sent to spy on the land*

The 10 men of Israel began comparing themselves to the people of the land from a very worldly/physical posture. They are stronger than us. Their cities are fortified and large. The men are of great stature. But what they failed to realize was all that God had already done for them to this point. The miracles in Egypt; the parting of the waters; the manna from heaven, etc. God had been their provider all along, yet they failed to realize that in the comparison of what they were facing.

**WHEN YOU FACE A TRIAL IN LIFE, DO YOU TRUST GOD OR ARE YOU JUST  
ALL TALK**

- *What do you need to do now so that you can stand with Caleb & Joshua?*

Maybe you find yourself in a spiritual limbo. Maybe you have been freed from your past because of Jesus, but you are still terrified to embrace the future – you are terrified to jump from the bunny hill to the black diamond. God wants you to move beyond the bunny hill. God wants you to be more than just TALK and He wants you to have the COURAGE to trust Him as you embrace the future.

- *Are there areas in your life where there has been more TALK and less ACTION?*

**THE CHOICE IS YOURS – WILL YOU FIND THE COURAGE TO ACT!**

**Group Discussion:**

1. What is your biggest opposition you'll face, in living out your commitments?
2. What will it take for you to remember the promises of God in the moment of difficulty and persecution so you can move beyond talk and into action?
3. Which of the three challenges that Jeff Bogue gave at the end resonates with you the most and what do you plan to do as a next step? (1 – Willingness to go into the Marketplace & represent Jesus; 2 – Willingness to go into full time ministry; 3 – Willingness to Pray for 3 unbelieving people in your life)