

Going Against the Flow



✝ What is your _____?

The LORD spoke to Moses, saying, ²"Send men to spy out the land of Canaan, which I am giving to the people of Israel. From each tribe of their fathers you shall send a man, every one a chief among them."
—Numbers 13:1-2 [ESV]

✝ What do you _____?

And [the men] came to the Valley of Eshcol and cut down from there a branch with a single cluster of grapes, and they carried it on a pole between two of them; they also brought some pomegranates and figs.
—Numbers 13:23 [ESV]

✝ Who is your _____?

So [the men] brought to the people of Israel a bad report of the land that they had spied out, saying, "The land, through which we have gone to spy it out, is a land that devours its inhabitants, and all the people that we saw in it are of great height. ³³And there we saw the Nephilim, and we seemed to ourselves like grasshoppers, and so we seemed to them."
—Numbers 13:32-33 [ESV]

[Jesus says:] Beware of **false prophets**, who come to you in sheep's clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves.
—Matthew 7:15 [ESV]

Preach the word; be ready in season and out of season reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching. ³For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions.
—2 Timothy 4:2-3 [ESV]

✝ What should you _____?

And Joshua the son of Nun and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, who were among those who had spied out the land, **tore their clothes** ⁷and said to all the congregation of the people of Israel, "The land, which we passed through to spy it out, is an exceedingly good land. ⁸If the LORD delights in us, he will bring us into this land and give it to us, a land that flows with milk and honey."
—Numbers 14:6-8 [ESV]

Finally, brothers and sisters, keep your thoughts on whatever is right or deserves praise: things that are true, honorable, fair, pure, acceptable, or commendable. ⁹**Practice what you've learned and received from me, what you heard and saw me do.** Then the God who gives this peace will be with you. —Philippians 4:7-8 [God's Word Edition]

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