

**GENUINE FAITH – 3**  
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**REVIEW:**

- Genuine faith is not imitating another person's faith.
- Genuine faith is not presumption.
- Genuine faith is based on something God said (rhema, logos).

**CONTINUE – MARK 11:22-23**

We know both the natural and spiritual worlds are governed by laws. There's the law of gravity and the law of thrust and lift, in the natural world. There's the law of sin and death and the law of the spirit of life in the spiritual world. Faith is also a spiritual law (**ROMANS 3:27**). Faith involves the heart and mouth of a person according to Jesus. Both must be in sync, and both must be aligned with God's Word.

**COMPARING THE SPIES**

1. The ten. **NUMBERS 13:31-33** – They:
  - A. Believed they weren't able. They were trusting in their own abilities and not in God's.
  - B. Saw themselves as bugs facing giants. Our view of ourselves and our worth can be wrong.
  - C. Said they couldn't overcome. Death and life are in the power of the tongue.
  - D. Created fear and doubt in everyone's lives. Job said the fear he greatly feared came upon him.
    - The results: **NUMBERS 14:1-4, 27-28**
  
2. The two. **NUMBERS 13:30, 14:6-10** – They:
  - A. Believed they were able. **EPHESIANS 6:10-11**
  - B. Said the Lord would help them. **HEBREWS 13:5-6**
  - C. Believed there was nothing to fear. **ISAIAH 41:10, 2 TIMOTHY 1:7**
  - D. Said the enemy was helpless prey. **JOSHUA 14:6-12**
    - The results: The two got what they said.

**BASELESS FEAR – JOSHUA 2:8-14**

1. The Canaanites and other "ites" feared the Israelites. They were ready to give up the land before they even arrived.
  - A. The bugs were fearing the giants while the giants were fearing the bugs.
  
2. Rahab reveals the truth. **HEBREWS 11:31**
  - A. They knew God gave them the land.
  - B. Their hearts melted with fear.
  - C. The Red Sea miracle.
  - D. The defeat of the two kings.
  - E. Everyone's courage was gone.
  - F. The Lord is the true God of heaven and earth.

**CONCLUSION:**

Fear and faith are powerful spiritual forces. Fear is based on what the enemy can do, while faith is based on what God can do. Fear is having faith in our circumstances or our inabilities, while faith is trusting in God's character, integrity, promises and power. **PSALMS 78:40-42**