# "Caleb ... Hath Followed Me Fully"

Numbers 14:24; 32:11-12; Deuteronomy 1:36; Joshua 14:8-9, 14

# What Does It Mean To Follow The Lord Fully?

#### Follow all the days of our lives.

Caleb followed in the wilderness. He followed in the land of Canaan, 45 years later. Joshua 14:8-10

- Many don't.
  - Israelites. Numbers 14:29
  - Lot's wife. Genesis 19:26
  - Galatians.
     Galatians 3:1
- Youth. 1 Timothy 4:12
- Old age.
   Titus 2:1-5; Psalms 92:14;
- Psalms 78:4

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Follow with all our heart. cf. Psalms 119:2, 10, 34, 69

- Some don't.
  - Rehoboam.2 Chronicles 12:1;2 Chronicles 12:14
  - Solomon. 1 Kings 11:4
  - Kingdom of Judah. Jeremiah 3:10
- Greatest commandment.
  Matthew 22:36-38
- Requires obedience. John 14:15

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### Follow despite hazards.

#### Some Don't.

- Pharisees
  - Hearts not in religion. Matthew 15:7-8
  - Loved men's praises.
     John 12:42-43
- Hypocrites.
   Matthew 23:28
- Giants. Numbers 13:33
- Brethren. Numbers 14:10
- Age. (85 years old)
- Shall we? Matthew 5:10-12

## How Do We Follow The Lord Fully?

#### Keep focused on the Lord.

- Some Don't.
  - Israelites.
     Numbers 13:31-33;
     Hebrews 3:14ff
- Confident in the Lord. Numbers 13:30
- Lord would be with them.

Numbers 14:6-9

• Shall we? Hebrews 12:1-4

## Motivation To Follow The Lord Fully?

#### Useful life.

- Some Don't.
- Israelites. Numbers 13:31-33; Hebrews 3:14ff "We can't ..."
- Leader in Israel.
   Numbers 13:2, 6; 34:18-19
- Example of faith and courage. Numbers 13:30; 14:8-9. "Let's qo!"
- Inspiration to others. Joshua 14:6-12
- Shall we?1 Timothy 4:12;2 Timothy 2:20-22

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# Motivation To Follow The Lord Fully?

#### Fulfilled life.

- Some Don't.
  - King Saul.1 Samuel 31
- Blessed to enter Canaan. Deuteronomy 1:35-36
- Received his inheritance around Hebron.
   Joshua 14:6-14
- Had rest from war. Joshua 14:15
- Do we? Ephesians 3:19; Philippians 3:13-14; 4:7; 1 Peter 1:8

#### **Lessons From Caleb**

### • Fully follow the Lord.

- Follow Jesus all the days of your life.
- Follow Jesus with all your heart.
- Follow Jesus despite hazards.

#### • Receive the reward.

- Useful life of service to the Lord.
- Fulfilled life that is blessed by the Lord.
- Israel did not enter Canaan, for they "have not wholly followed me." Numbers 32:10-13

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