



Step into the arena where fierce heroes stand tall!

## A DIFFERENT SPIRIT!

Sometimes it is easy to take the path of least resistance, to walk away from the fight, but we have a choice! We do not have to surrender to our fears. The Holy Spirit invites us into the arena where fierce Heroes stand tall. Choose to be BOLD!

### THE CONTEXT:

- BOLD- fearless before danger, showing a daring spirit, acting in the midst of fear. Syn; assured, confident, bodacious, grabby, striking. Ant; chicken, coward, spineless, fearful, or timid.
- For whatever things were written before were written for our learning, that we through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope (ROMANS 15:4).
- By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to the place which he would receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going (HEBREWS 11:8).
- Now when the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram; and behold, horror and great darkness fell upon him. <sup>13</sup> Then He said to Abram: "Know certainly that your descendants will be strangers in a land that is not theirs, and will serve them, and they will afflict them four hundred years. <sup>14</sup> And also the nation whom they serve I will judge; afterward they shall come out with great possessions. <sup>15</sup> Now as for you, you shall go to your fathers in peace; you shall be buried at a good old age. <sup>16</sup> But in the fourth generation they shall return here, for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet complete."

17 And it came to pass, when the sun went down and it was dark, that behold, there appeared a smoking oven and a burning torch that passed between those pieces. 18 On the same day, Yahweh made a Covenant with Abram, saying: "To your descendants I have given this Land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the River Euphrates— 19 the Kenites, the Kenezites, the Kadmonites, 20 the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Rephaim, 21 the Amorites, the Canaanites, the Girgashites, and the Jebusites." (GENESIS 15:12-20)



- Then it came to pass, when Pharaoh had let the people go, that Elohim did not lead them by way of the land of the Philistines, although that was near; for Elohim said, "Lest perhaps the people change their minds when they see war and return to Egypt." 18 So Elohim led the People around by way of the wilderness of the Red Sea. And the Children of Israel went up in orderly ranks out of the land of Egypt (EXODUS 13:17-18).
- These are the words which Moses spoke to all Israel on this side of the Jordan in the wilderness ... 2 It is eleven days' journey from Horeb by way of Mount Seir to Kadesh Barnea ... 5 On this

side of the Jordan in the land of Moab, Moses began to explain this Law, saying, <sup>6</sup>“Yahweh our Elohim spoke to us in Horeb, saying: ‘You have dwelt long enough at this Mountain.’ <sup>7</sup>Turn and take your journey, and go to the mountains of the Amorites, to all the neighboring places in the plain, in the mountains and in the lowland, in the South and on the seacoast, to the Land of the Canaanites and to Lebanon, as far as the great river, the river Euphrates. <sup>8</sup>See, I have set the Land before you; go in and possess the Land which Yahweh swore to your Fathers—to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob—to give to them and their descendants after them’ . . .

<sup>19</sup>“So we departed from Horeb and went through all that great and terrible wilderness which you saw on the way to the Mountains of the Amorites, as Yahweh our Elohim had commanded us. Then we came to Kadesh Barnea. <sup>20</sup>And I said to you, ‘You have come to the mountains of the Amorites, which Yahweh our Elohim is giving us.’ <sup>21</sup>Look, Yahweh your Elohim has set the Land before you; go up and possess it, as Yahweh Elohim of your Fathers has spoken to you; do not fear or be discouraged.’ (DEUTERONOMY 1:1-21)

## THE TEXT: NUMBERS 13:1-33

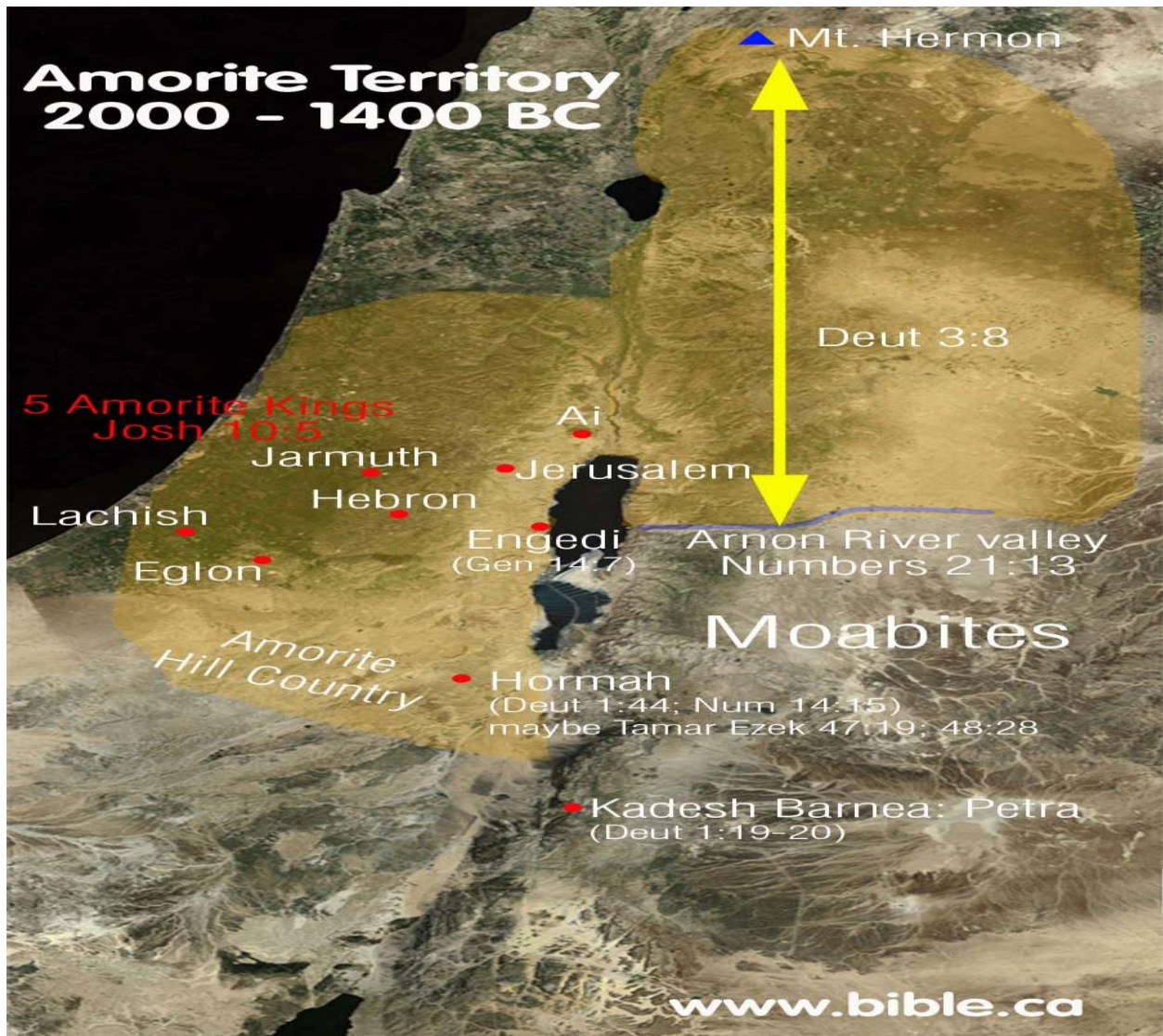
### SPIES SENT INTO CANAAN

And Yahweh spoke to Moses, saying, <sup>2</sup>“Send men to spy out the Land of Canaan, which I am giving to the Children of Israel; from each tribe of their Fathers you shall send a man, everyone a leader among them.” <sup>3</sup> So Moses sent them from the Wilderness of Paran according to the command of Yahweh, all of them men who were heads of the Children of Israel <sup>4</sup> Now these were their names . . . <sup>6</sup> from the Tribe of Judah, Caleb the son of Jephunneh . . . <sup>8</sup> from the Tribe of Ephraim, Hoshea the son of Nun . . . <sup>16</sup> These are the names of the men whom Moses sent to spy out the Land. And Moses called Hoshea the son of Nun, Joshua.

Tribes of Israel	Numbers of fighting men
1. Ruben	46,500
2. Simeon	59,300
3. Gad	45,650
<b>4. Judah</b>	<b>74,600</b>
5. Issachar	54,400
6. Zebulun	57,400
7. Ephraim	40,500
8. Manasseh	32,200
9. Benjamin	35,400
10. Dan	62,700
11. Asher	41,500
12. Naphtali	53,400
Total tribe count men 20 years or older who are eligible for military service.	603,550

<sup>17</sup> Then Moses sent them to spy out the Land of Canaan, and said to them, "Go up this way into the South, and go up to the mountains, <sup>18</sup> and see what the Land is like: whether the people who dwell in it are strong or weak, few or many; <sup>19</sup> whether the Land they dwell in is good or bad; whether the cities they inhabit are like camps or strongholds; <sup>20</sup> whether the Land is rich or poor; and whether there are forests there or not. **Be of good courage. And bring some of the fruit of the Land.**" Now the time was the season of the first ripe grapes.

<sup>21</sup> So they went up and spied out the Land from the Wilderness of Zin as far as Rehob, near the entrance of Hamath. <sup>22</sup> And they went up through the South and came to Hebron; Ahiman, Sheshai, and Talmi, the descendants of Anak, were there . . . <sup>23</sup> Then they came to the Valley of Eshcol, and there cut down a branch with one cluster of grapes; they carried it between two of them on a pole. They also brought some of the pomegranates and figs. <sup>24</sup> The place was called the Valley of Eshcol, because of the cluster which the men of Israel cut down there. <sup>25</sup> And they returned from spying out the Land after forty days.



<sup>26</sup> Now they departed and came back to Moses and Aaron and all the Congregation of the Children of Israel in the Wilderness of Paran, at Kadesh; they brought back word to them and to all the Congregation and showed them the fruit of the land. <sup>27</sup> Then they told him and said: "We went to the Land where you sent us. It truly flows with milk and honey, and this is its fruit. <sup>28</sup> Nevertheless, the people who dwell in the Land are strong; the cities are fortified and very large; moreover, we saw the descendants of Anak there. <sup>29</sup> The Amalekites dwell in the land of the South; the Hittites, the Jebusites, and the Amorites dwell in the mountains; and the Canaanites dwell by the sea and along the banks of the Jordan."

<sup>30</sup> Then Caleb quieted the People before Moses, and said, "Let us go up at once and take possession, for we are well able to overcome it." <sup>31</sup> But the men who had gone up with him said, "We are not able to go up against the people, for they are stronger than we." <sup>32</sup> And they gave the Children of Israel a bad report of the Land which they had spied out, saying, "The Land through which we have gone as spies is a Land that devours its inhabitants, and all the People whom we saw in it are men of great stature. <sup>33</sup> There we saw the giants (the descendants of Anak came from the giants); and we were like grasshoppers in our own sight, and so we were in their sight."