Faith in Opposition Vintage Faith Message Series Week 4 Pastor Jim Hottenstein August 27, 2023

Based on Caleb's example, a person following the Lord completely will...

 Choose <u>conviction</u> over <u>compromise</u>. (Numbers 13:2, 30; Joshua 14:7)

2. Choose to please <u>God</u> over <u>man</u>. (Numbers 13:30, 14:24; Galatians 1:10)

3. Choose faith over fear. (Numbers 13:30; Joshua 14:12)

4. Choose perseverance over comfort. (Joshua 14:10-12)

Diagnostic questions:

- 1. Are you clear on your convictions? Are others able to see and articulate your convictions?
- 2. In what ways have you compromised your convictions, even in small ways, this week?
- 3. On a scale of 1 to 10 (10 being high), rate how much other people's opinions influence your decisions.
- 4. On a scale of 1 to 10 (10 being high), rate how much fear is impacting your life right now.
- 5. What are the root causes of your fear and anxiety?
- 6. In what ways do you bow your knee to comfort over perseverance?
- 7. What evidence is there that you are persevering in your faith right now?
- 8. How is your thought life? What do you think about most during idol time?
- 9. Is there any anger in your life? What is at the root of it?

Response questions:

- 1. What do you need to confess to the Lord? How can you move to a posture of dependance?
- 2. Is there anything that you need to make right with someone else?