**Notes**

****January 26th 2020**



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Welcome

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**1 Chronicles 12:32**

*…of the sons of Issachar who had understanding of the times,*

*to know what Israel ought to do, …*

**Romans 13:11**

*And do this, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep; for now our salvation is nearer than when we first believed.*

**Why fear has to be dealt with**

*It does not just melt away in time*

* It is not God’s plan for you: it’s unnatural.
* We must choose to see challenges from God’s perspective.
* This involves ‘putting our foot down’ on fear, intimidation, rejection…

 As a consequence, ….

* You can reach your full potential when faith supplants fear.

**Faith, not fear,
 will possess what God has promised us**

**Numbers 13:26-33** - The Promised Land Mission

* Moses sends 12 spies to check out the land:

 It’s good, but it has a few *small* problems: *GIANTS!*

* The majority vote wins out, and Joshua & Caleb have to wait 40 years while unbelief dies out amongst the ‘unbelieving believers’.

 (The people’s unbelief was rooted in fear…

**Fear has consequences**

* The people’s self image is warped – the ‘grasshopper’ complex.
* Joshua/Caleb kept their eyes on the promise, the rest on the problems!

 (What are you looking at in your mind’s eye?)

* The whole nation is held up in God’s plan.

(Fear short circuits your destiny.) – sovereignty overruled?

**Caleb had a ‘different spirit’***(What God said about him)*

**Numbers 14:24**

*But My servant Caleb, because he has a different spirit in him and has followed Me fully, I will bring into the land where he went, and his descendants shall inherit it.*

Caleb had a ‘spirit of faith’: (2 Corinthians 4:13 ‘believe & speak’)

 He saw it, believed it and spoke it.

**Numbers 13:30**

*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.”*

**Communion**

* We are (in God’s sight and scheme of things at least) no longer slaves to fear.