THE POWER OF ASSIMILATION

NUMBERS 14:36

36 ¶ And the men, which Moses sent to search the land, who returned, and made all the congregation to murmur against him, by bringing up a slander upon the land,

NUMBERS 14:37

37 Even those men that did bring up the evil report upon the land, died by the plague before the LORD.

NUMBERS 14:38

38 But Joshua the son of Nun, and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, which were of the men that went to search the land, lived still.

ASSIMILATE,

to take in and incorporate as one's own; absorb: to bring into conformity with the customs, attitudes, etc. to cause to resemble.

[STOP]

DEUTERONOMY 1:19

19 ¶ And when we departed from Horeb, we went through all that **great and terrible wilderness**, which ye saw by the way of the mountain of the Amorites, as the LORD our God commanded us; and we came to Kadeshbarnea.

DEUTERONOMY 1:20

20 And I said unto you, Ye are come unto the mountain of the Amorites, which the LORD our God doth give unto us.

DEUTERONOMY 1:21

21 Behold, the LORD thy God hath set the land **before thee: go up and possess it**, as the LORD God of thy fathers hath said unto thee; **fear not, neither be discouraged.**

DEUTERONOMY 1:22

22 And ye came near unto me every one of you, and said, We will send men before us, and they shall search us out the land, and bring us word again by what way we must go up, and into what cities we shall come.

DEUTERONOMY 1:23

23 And the saying pleased me well: and I took twelve men of you, one of a tribe:

DEUTERONOMY 1:24

24 And they turned and went up into the mountain, and came unto the valley of Eshcol, and searched it out.

DEUTERONOMY 1:25

25 And they took of the fruit of the land in their hands, and brought it down unto us, and brought us word again, and said, It is a good land which the LORD our God doth give us.

DEUTERONOMY 1:26

26 Notwithstanding ye would not go up, **but rebelled against the commandment of the LORD your God**:

DEUTERONOMY 1:27

27 **And ye murmured in your tents**, and said, Because the LORD hated us, he hath brought us forth out of the land of Egypt, to deliver us into the hand of the Amorites, to destroy us.

DEUTERONOMY 1:28

Whither shall we go up? **our brethren have discouraged our heart**, saying, The people is greater and taller than we; **the cities are great and walled up to heaven**; and moreover we have seen the sons of the Anakims there.

DEUTERONOMY 1:29

29 Then I said unto you, **Dread not, neither be afraid of them**.

DEUTERONOMY 1:30

30 The LORD your God which goeth before you, **he shall fight for you**, according to all that he did for you in Egypt before your eyes;

DEUTERONOMY 1:31

31 And in the wilderness, where thou hast seen how that the LORD thy God bare thee, as a man doth bear his son, **in all the way that ye went**, until ye came into this place.

DEUTERONOMY 1:32

32 Yet in this thing ye did not believe the LORD your God,

DEUTERONOMY 1:33

33 Who went in the way before you, to search you out a place to pitch your tents in, in fire by night, to shew you by what way ye should go, and in a cloud by day.

DEUTERONOMY 1:34

34 And the LORD heard the voice of your words, and was wroth, and sware, saying,

DEUTERONOMY 1:35

35 Surely there shall not one of these men of this evil generation see that good land, which I sware to give unto your fathers,

DEUTERONOMY 1:36

36 Save Caleb the son of Jephunneh; he shall see it, and to him will I give the land that he hath trodden upon, and to his children, **because he hath wholly followed the LORD.**

DEUTERONOMY 2:14

14 And the space in which we came from Kadeshbarnea, until we were come over the brook Zered, was thirty and eight years; until all the generation of the men of war were

wasted out from among the host, as the LORD sware unto them.

DEUTERONOMY 2:15

15 For indeed the hand of the LORD was against them, to destroy them from among the host, until they were consumed.

JOSHUA 14:6

6 ¶ Then the children of Judah came unto Joshua in Gilgal: and Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite said unto him, Thou knowest the thing that **the LORD said unto Moses the man of God** concerning me and thee in Kadeshbarnea.

JOSHUA 14:7

7 Forty years old was I when Moses the servant of the LORD sent me from Kadeshbarnea to espy out the land; and **I brought** him word again as it was in mine heart.

JOSHUA 14:8

8 Nevertheless my brethren that went up with me made the heart of the people *MELT: but I wholly followed the LORD my God.

MELT: macah {maw-saw'}
dissolve, be liquefied, cause to dissolve, consume, cause to
vanish
to intimidate (figurative)

DEUTERONOMY 20:2

2 And it shall be, when ye are come nigh unto the battle, that the priest shall approach and speak unto the people,

DEUTERONOMY 20:3

3 And shall say unto them, Hear, O Israel, ye approach this day unto battle against your enemies: **let not your hearts faint, fear not, and do not tremble, neither be ye terrified because of them**;

DEUTERONOMY 20:4

4 For the LORD your God is he that goeth with you, to fight for you against your enemies, to save you.

DEUTERONOMY 20:8

8 And the officers shall speak further unto the people, and they shall say, What man is there that is **fearful and fainthearted**? let him go and return unto his house, **lest his brethren's heart faint as well as his heart.**

JUDGES 8:4

4 ¶ And Gideon came to Jordan, and passed over, he, and the three hundred men that were with him, **faint, yet pursuing them**.

JOSHUA 2:9

9 And she said unto the men, I know that the LORD hath given you the land, and that your terror is fallen upon us, and that all the inhabitants of the land faint because of you.

JOSHUA 2:10

10 For **we have heard** how the LORD dried up the water of the Red sea for you, when ye came out of Egypt; and what ye did unto the two kings of the Amorites, that were on the other side Jordan, Sihon and Og, whom ye utterly destroyed.

JOSHUA 2:11

11 And **as soon as we had heard** these things, **our hearts did melt**, neither did there remain any more courage in any man, because of you: for the LORD your God, he is God in heaven above, and in earth beneath.

<u>JOSHUA 5:1</u>

1 ¶ And it came to pass, when all the kings of the Amorites, which were on the side of Jordan westward, and all the kings of the Canaanites, which were by the sea, **heard** that the

LORD had dried up the waters of Jordan from before the children of Israel, until we were passed over, that **their heart melted**, **neither was there spirit in them anymore**, **because of the children of Israel**.

ISAIAH 13:6

6 ¶ Howl ye; for the day of the LORD is at hand; it shall come as a destruction from the Almighty.

ISAIAH 13:7

7 Therefore shall all hands be faint, and **every man's** heart shall melt:

ISAIAH 19:1

1 ¶ The burden of Egypt. Behold, the LORD rideth upon a swift cloud, and shall come into Egypt: and the idols of Egypt shall be moved at his presence, and the heart of Egypt shall melt in the midst of it.

EZEKIEL 21:7

7 And it shall be, when they say unto thee, Wherefore sighest thou? that thou shalt answer, For the tidings; because it cometh: and every heart shall melt, and all hands shall be feeble, and every spirit shall faint, and all knees shall be weak as water: behold, it cometh, and shall be brought to pass, saith the Lord GOD.

JOSHUA 14:8

8 Nevertheless my brethren that went up with me made the heart of the people melt: but I wholly followed the LORD my God.

JOSHUA 14:9

9 And Moses sware on that day, saying, Surely the land whereon thy feet have trodden shall be thine inheritance, and thy children's forever, because thou hast wholly followed the LORD my God.

JOSHUA 14:10

10 And now, behold, the LORD hath kept me alive, as he said, these forty and five years, even since the LORD spake this word unto Moses, while the children of Israel wandered in the wilderness: and now, lo, I am this day fourscore and five years old.

JOSHUA 14:11

11 As yet I am as strong this day as I was in the day that Moses sent me: as my strength was then, even so is my strength now, for war, both to go out, and to come in.

JOSHUA 14:12

12 Now therefore give me this mountain, whereof the LORD spake in that day; for thou heardest in that day how the Anakims were there, and that the cities were great and fenced: if so be the LORD will be with me, then I shall be able to drive them out, as the LORD said.