

Deuteronomy 1:25

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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.

Analysis

The spies' return with fruit demonstrated the land's literal fruitfulness, yet their report would focus on obstacles rather than opportunities. 'They took of the fruit of the land in their hands' shows they possessed physical evidence but lacked spiritual vision. Material proof without faith perspective leads to fear rather than confidence—what we hold in our hands matters less than what we hold in our hearts.

Historical Context

The fruit brought back became both testimony and indictment: testimony to God's truthfulness about the land's goodness, indictment of Israel's refusal to trust despite evidence. This physical reminder couldn't overcome spiritual unbelief rooted in fear of the inhabitants.

Related Passages

Romans 10:9 — Confession and belief for salvation

John 3:16 — God's love and salvation

Study Questions

1. What blessings do you acknowledge but fail to fully trust God to provide?
2. How can you move from knowing God's goodness to trusting His promises?

Interlinear Text

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H3947	H3027	H6529	H776	H3381	
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which the LORD H3068	אֱלֹהֶה יְהוָה our God H430 H5414	נָתַת doth give H0			

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