

THE CHALLENGE OF CHANGE

PART 2

Numbers 13-14

BIG IDEA: Navigating the challenges of change necessitate hindsight, insight and foresight be in healthy balance!

THE PROBLEM WITH HINDSIGHT

Numbers 14:1-4



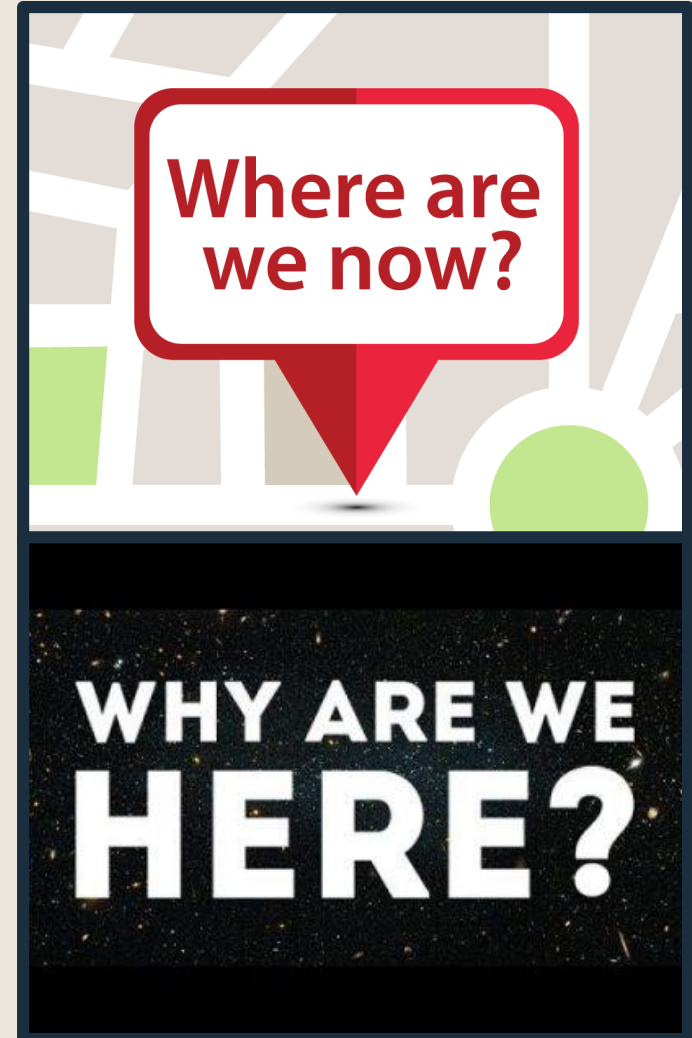
THE PURPOSE OF INSIGHT

Numbers 13:30

PRINCIPLE # 1:

Insight should answer
the questions:

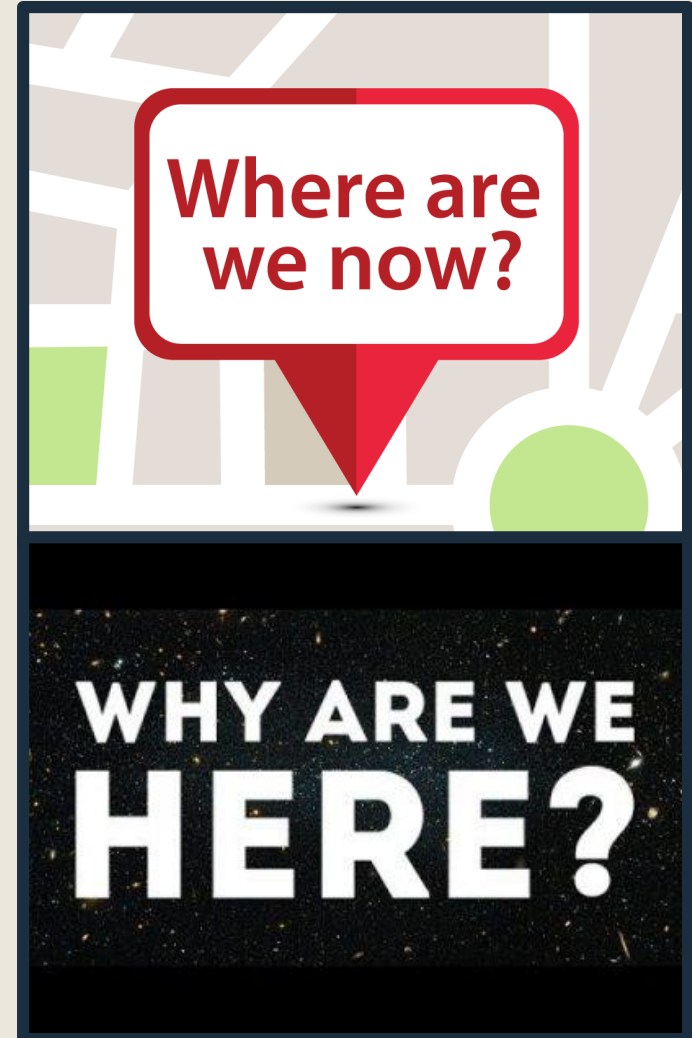
“Where are we?” and
“Why are we here?”



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It involves the steps of gathering information, making observations, and giving interpretation to it.



THE POWER OF FORESIGHT

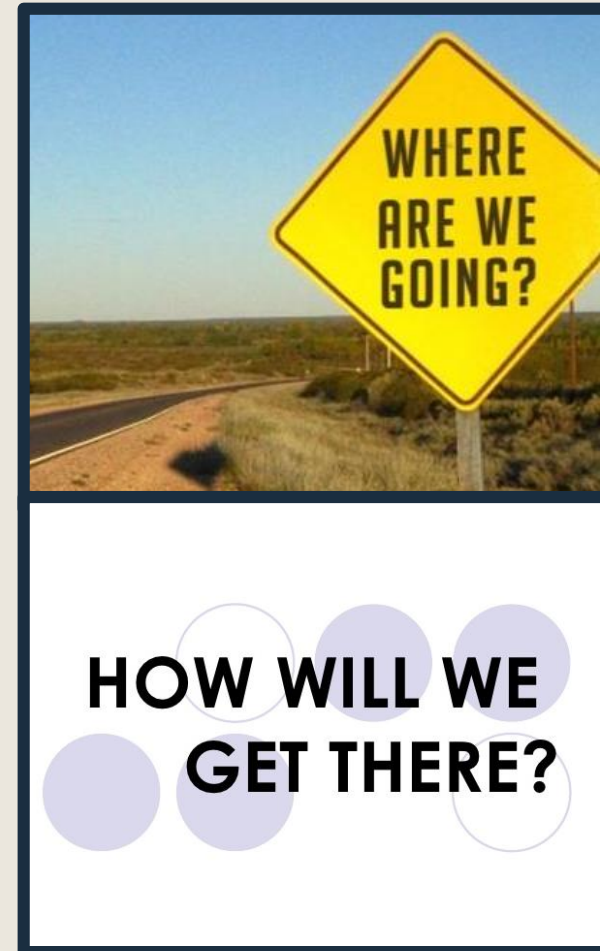
Numbers 14:5-9

PRINCIPLE #2:

Foresight answers the questions,

“Where are we going?”
and

“How will we get there
from here?”



QUALITIES OF THESE GODLY LEADERS

They were men of Prayer – v. 5

They were men with Principles – vs. 6-7

They were men who claimed God's Promises – v. 8

They trusted in God's Power – v. 9

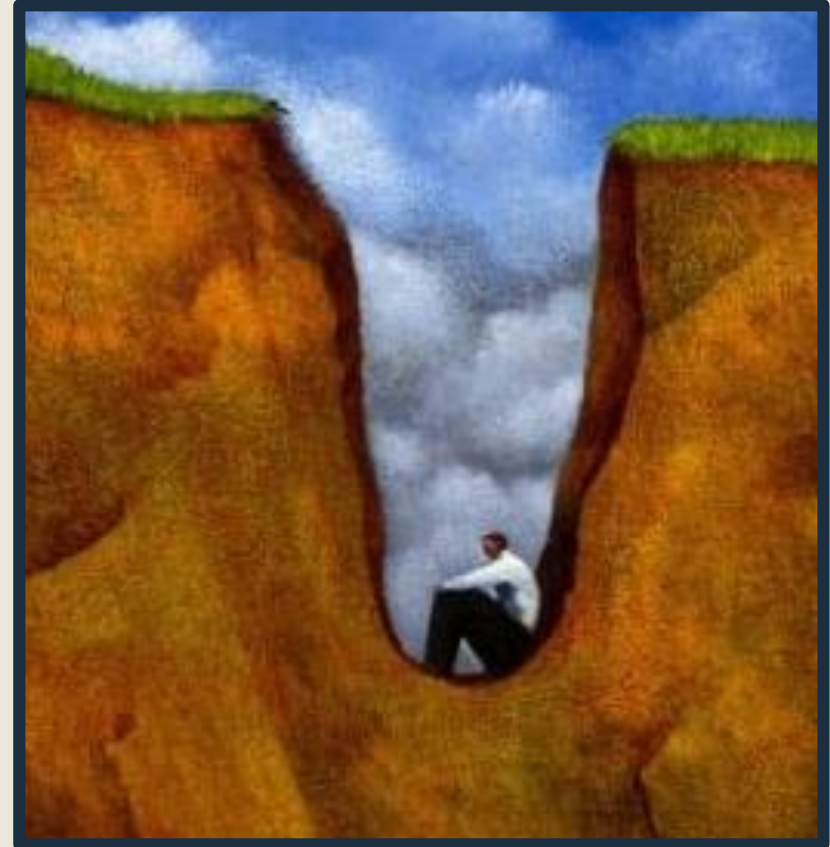
They had confidence in God's Presence – v. 9

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PRINCIPLE #3:

God's leaders can't lead unless God's people will follow!



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PRINCIPLE #4:

When God wants to bring about change in His people, it is a sin to reject it!



WHAT HAPPENS IF FORESIGHT IS IGNORED?

Here are a few consequences:

- God is not pleased – vs. 11-12
- God judges lack of faith – vs. 21-23,
28-30, 34-35
- Other people suffer – vs. 31-33
- Joy is forfeited – v. 39

My prayer for you is that you will

LOOK BACK and thank God for all He has done;

LOOK AROUND to assess where you are;

LOOK AHEAD to enjoy God's new blessings in this

new chapter of your Church's history; and

LOOK UP to plead for God's guidance and help in

every new venture!