

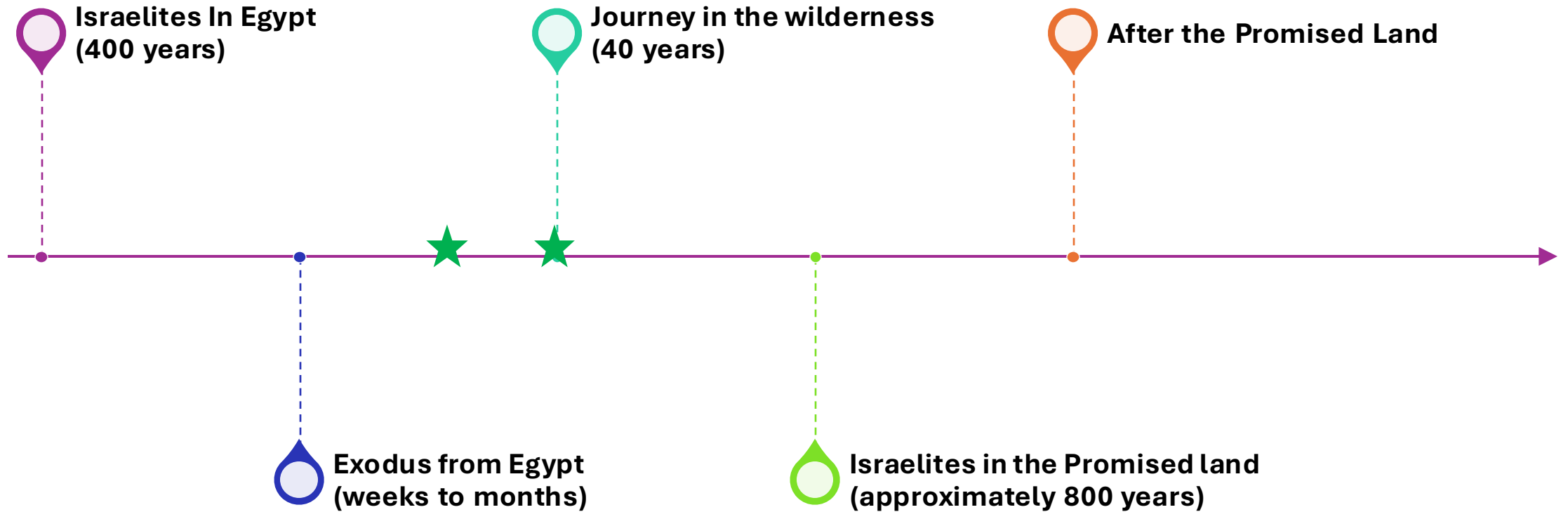


# Week 6: Get Surrounded

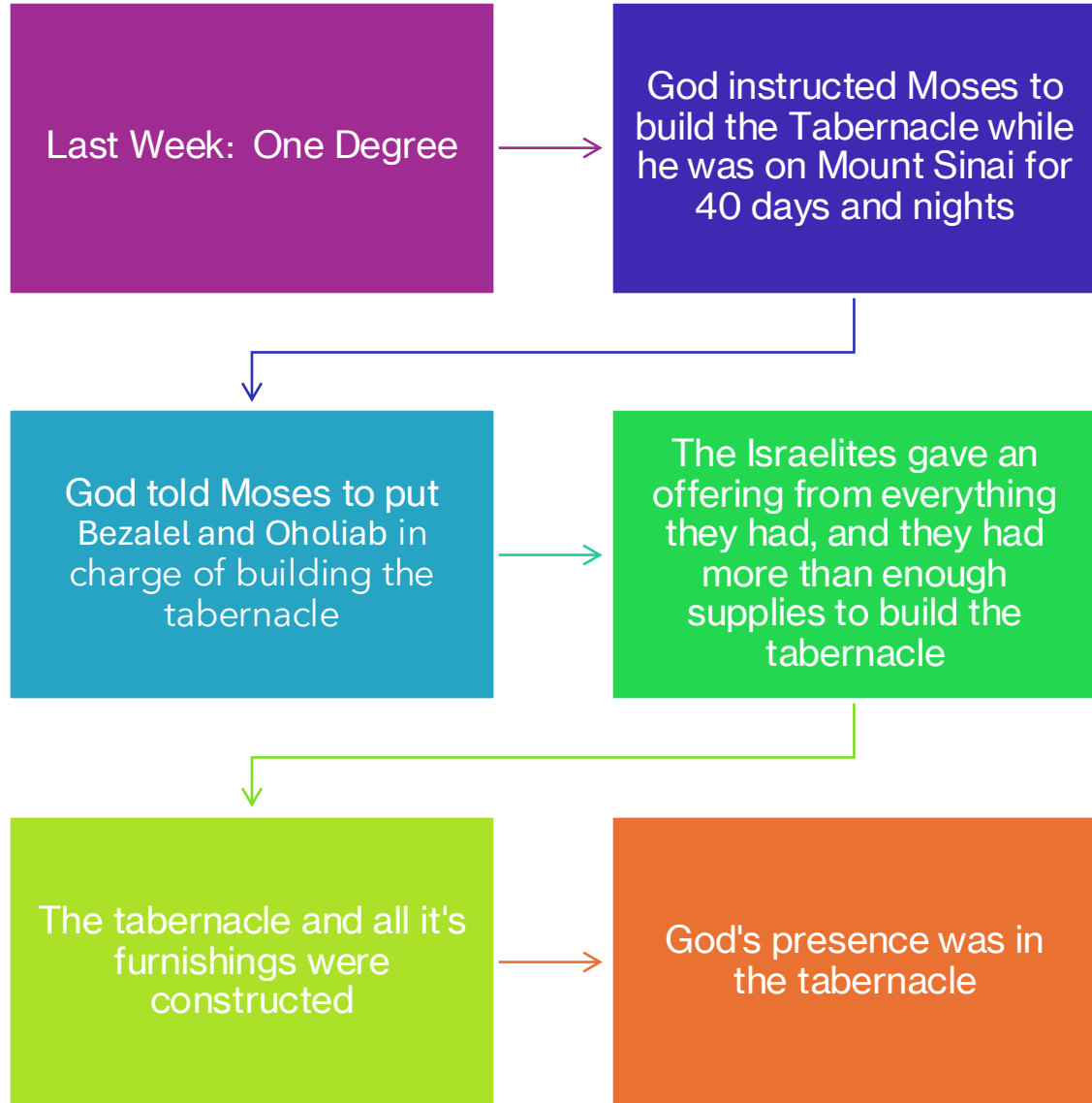
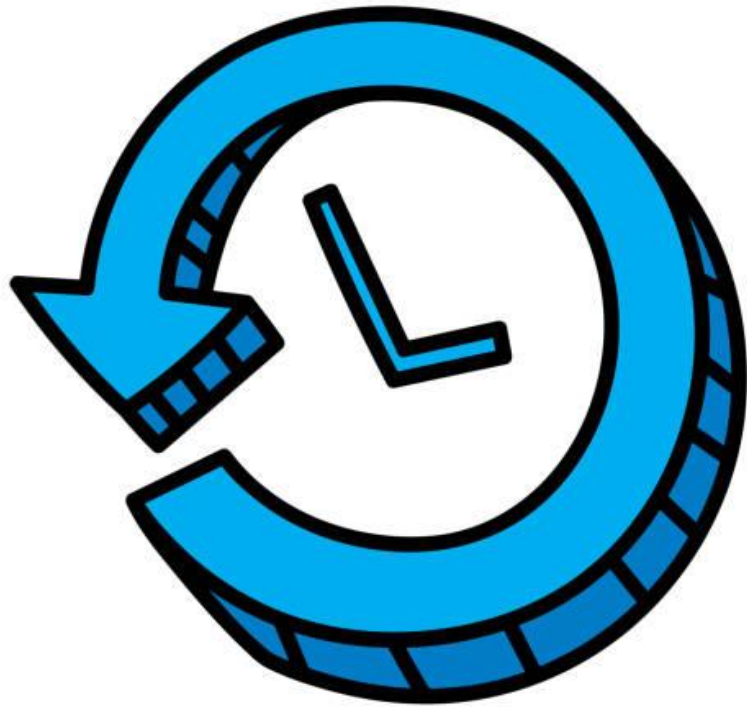
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# Roadmap through the Wilderness



# RECAP





Who or what has the most  
influence on you?

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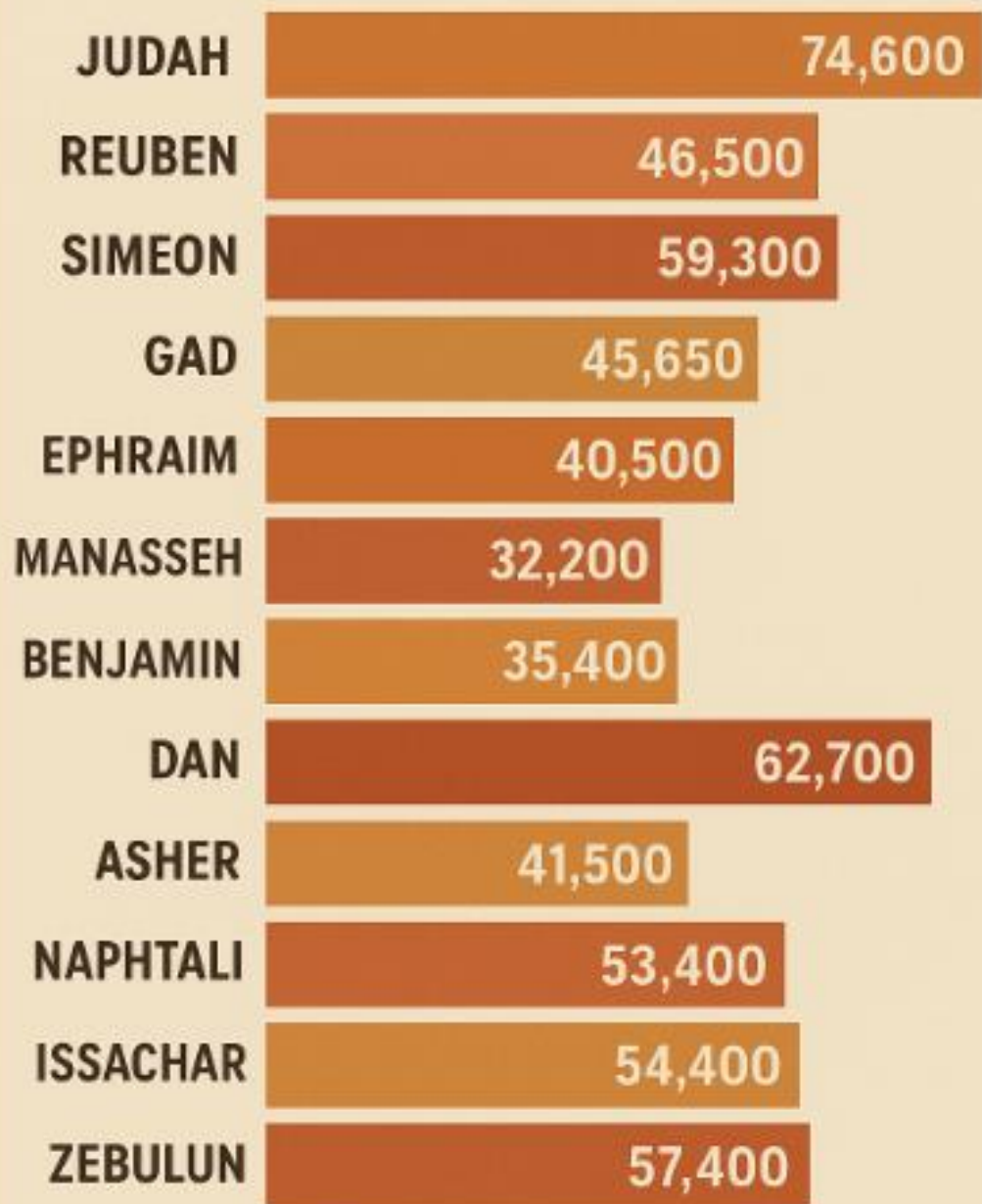
*(Open Discussion)*



# The Influences of Our Life

- Family
- Friends
- Culture and Society
- Media and Information
- Environment
- Thought and Beliefs
- Emotions
- Others...

# Numbers 1- The Census



- God told Moses to take a Census (or a count) of all the men who were 20 years or older and able to serve in the army
- God told Moses and Aaron to appoint one leader from each tribe to help them
- There were 603,550 men (not including women and children)
- The tribe of Levi was not counted

# Numbers 13 - Exploring Canaan



1. See what the land is like and whether **the people** who live there are strong or weak, few or many.
2. **What kind of land do they live in?** Is it good or bad? What kind of towns do they live in? Are they unwalled or fortified?
3. **How is the soil?** Is it fertile or poor? Are there trees in it or not? Do your best to bring back some of the fruit of the land.

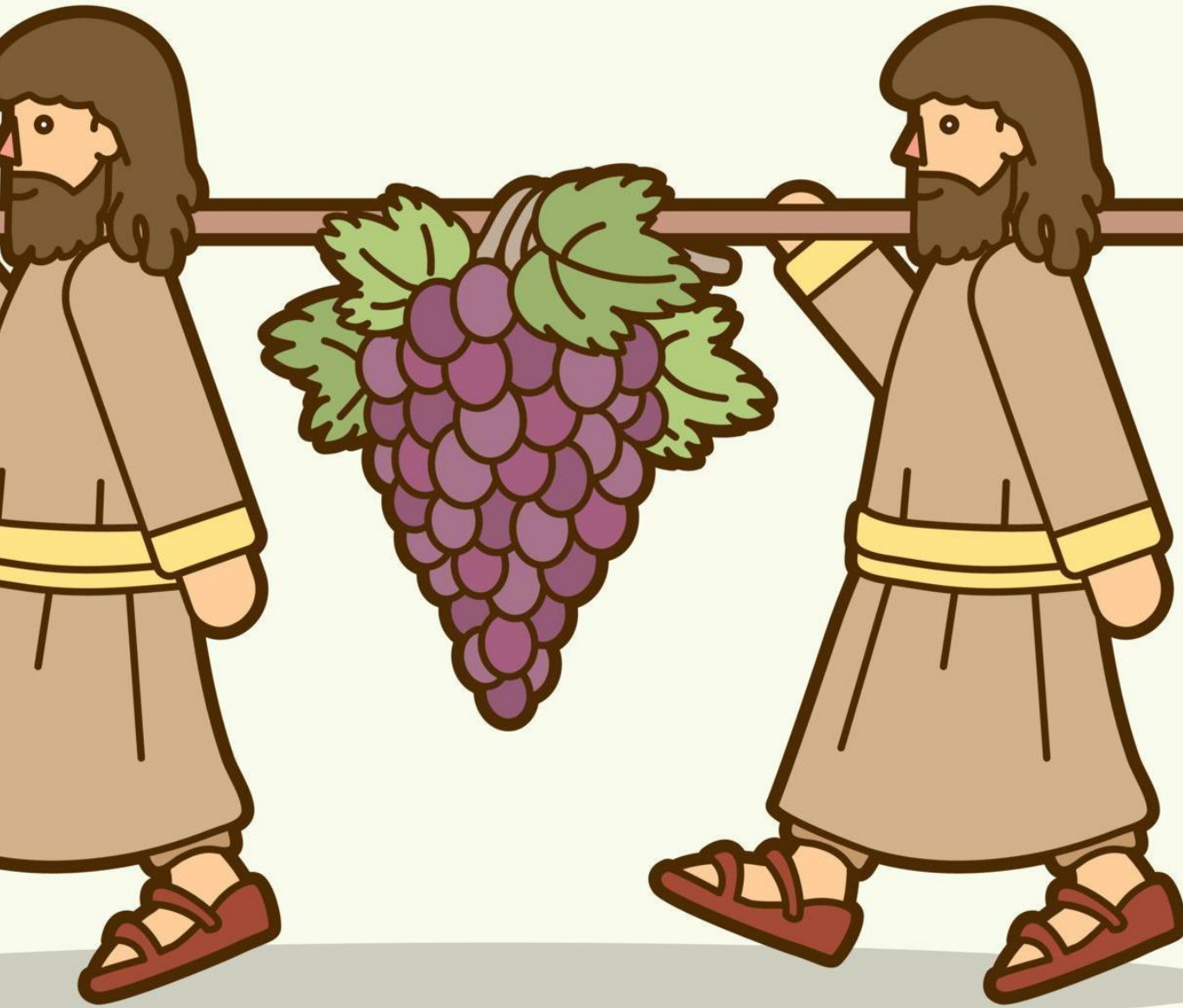
**Numbers 13: 17-18**

**ROUTE OF THE  
12 SPIES**

# Numbers 14



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ypDDXfx1BPQ>



# The Report

1. The land is flowing with milk and honey
2. The people are powerful
3. The cities are fortified (or well protected) and large



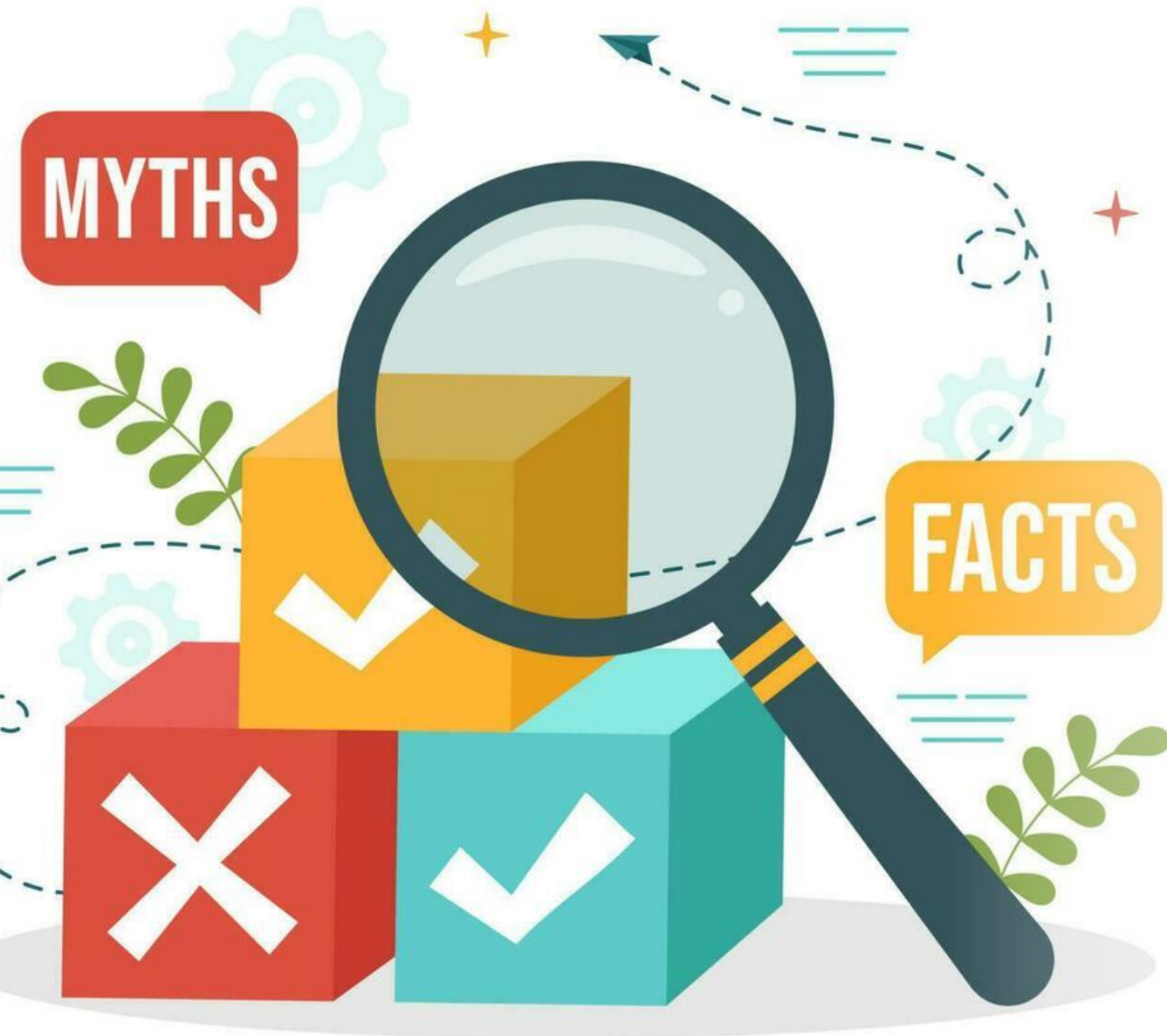
# The Influence

The Israelites had one report but two different influences

- **Influence 1:** We can defeat these people because we have God on our side
- **Influence 2:** We will die if we try to defeat these people

Reminder:

- The Israelites had never seen the land themselves
- They saw the good fruit of the land



# The Facts

1. God had delivered them from their enemies before
2. God was on their side and had taken care of them
3. God had performed miracles for them
4. God already told them the land was theirs
  - Numbers 13:1 - The LORD said to Moses,<sup>2</sup> "Send some men to explore the land of Canaan, which I am giving to the Israelites.



# The Second Influence

**The Israelites decided to go and take the land (Numbers 14: 40)**

- **Influence 1:** We can defeat these people even without God on our side
- **Influence 2:** You will fail without God

But Moses said, “Why are you disobeying the Lord’s command? This will not succeed! Do not go up, because the Lord is not with you. You will be defeated by your enemies, for the Amalekites and the Canaanites will face you there. Because you have turned away from the Lord, he will not be with you and you will fall by the sword.” (Number 14: 41 – 43)

**The Result: Complete Failure**



How do we make sure we have  
the right influences in our lives?

*(Open Discussion)*

# Get Surrounded

- Aaron - Helped Moses throughout the time in Egypt and spoke to Pharaoh
- Joshua - Was Moses' aide, who would eventually go on to lead the Israelites into the Promised land
- Joshua and Caleb - They knew what God would do for the Israelites if they only believed
- Leaders - Men were appointed to be judges and leaders over the Israelites to help handle the burden of leading the people
- Levites - The Levites were to help Aaron and his sons carry out the duties of the tabernacle
- 12 leaders for the census - A leader from each tribe was to help Moses carry out the census
- 12 spies - A leader from each tribe was to go out and check the land and bring a report back to Moses



# Get the Right Surroundings

## Check Your Surroundings:

- 1. Check the Influence:** Is it positive or negative?
- 2. Fact Check:** Is it matching with the truth and reality you know ?
- 3. Heart Check:** Is it changing how you live out your faith or how you position God in your life?
- 4. Drift Check:** The influences can shift you one degree, but how far will you get off course before you realize?



Questions