

Part 5: Wholehearted

Proverbs 18:21

21 The tongue has the power of life and death, and those who love it will eat its fruit.

Numbers 14:23-24

not one of them will ever see the land I promised on oath to their forefathers. No one who has treated me with contempt will ever see it. 24 But because my servant Caleb has a different spirit and follows me wholeheartedly, I will bring him into the land he went to, and his descendants will inherit it.

Joshua 14:7-12

7 I was forty years old when Moses the servant of the Lord sent me from Kadesh Barnea to explore the land. And I brought him back a report according to my convictions, 8 but my brothers who went up with me made the hearts of the people melt with fear. I, however, followed the Lord my God wholeheartedly. 9 So on that day Moses swore to me, 'The land on which your feet have walked will be your inheritance and that of your children forever, because you have followed the Lord my God wholeheartedly.' 10 "Now then, just as the Lord promised, he has kept me alive for forty-five years since the time he said this to Moses, while Israel moved about in the desert. So here I am today, eighty-five years old! 11 I am still as strong today as the day Moses sent me out; I'm just as vigorous to go out to battle now as I was then. 12 Now give me this hill country that the Lord promised me that day. You yourself heard then that the Anakites were there and their cities were large and fortified, but, the Lord helping me, I will drive them out just as he said."

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Message notes:

If you're going to be a life-giver, this is who you have to become. You cannot _____ out of who you are not.

Don't ever forget: God is _____.

You'll never have good words if you don't have a heart that wants to _____ God and other people.

The other spies couldn't see God as bigger because they didn't have the _____.

Caleb could see _____ the giant because He had a different spirit.

You can't change your tongue if you don't _____ your heart.

Caleb is a _____ follower of God.

If you're going to be wholehearted, you have to _____ on God.

Wholehearted comes out of our _____. It isn't taking a vote. It's not worrying about being popular.

Wholehearted means we are _____ with Jesus.

Additional notes:

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Discussion Questions:

1. The pastor encourages us to learn from those who speak kindly and deal with difficult conversations well, contrasting that with the behavior of angry people. Who are some people in your life that you look up to for their positive communication?
2. Pastor Jamie used an analogy of a pie chart to represent our hearts and our values. How much of your heart is all in with God?
3. Numbers 14:24 emphasizes that Caleb had a spirit that believed in God's promises and brought back a faith-filled report. When facing challenges, how can you remind yourself to have a 'different spirit' like Caleb instead of focusing on the obstacles?
4. Pastor Jamie highlights that Caleb is called a servant of God who follows Him wholeheartedly and has a different spirit. In what areas of your life do you think you could be more wholehearted in your faith?
5. Pastor Jamie talked about surrendering our tongues and hearts to God so our words can be instruments for encouragement and love. How has the way that you speak to others changed throughout this series?

Ministry Time:

Pray for anyone who wants to have God change their spirit so that they can begin to follow Him wholeheartedly.

Pray for those who feel they need to commit their tongue to God and begin to speak in a new way.