

How Not to Live Just Normal

VISION: SEEING BEYOND THE MAJORITY

INTRODUCTION

We are subjected to and influenced by the mass of humanity that surrounds us on a daily basis. If we are not careful, they can begin to mold our beliefs, reshape our thinking, and alter our actions.

"So many Christians are so sub-normal, if they ever got normal, they would look abnormal to the world."

—Vance Havner

We tend to conform to the norms (belief & behavior) of our current society.

Example:

1960s

2000s

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1.

1.

2.

2.

Three observations about those who surround you:

1. We live in a _____ , _____ world.
2. We are surrounded by _____ and _____.
3. Most choose not to _____ .

In order to *not to live just normal*, you have to have _____.

VISION is seeing beyond _____ .

NUMBERS 13

5 things that you need to know to bring you up to Chapter 13:

1. There has been an _____.
2. Under Moses' leadership, God's chosen people arrived at the edge of the _____.
3. The new territory was _____ to _____.
4. God commanded Moses to _____ out the _____.
5. Their assignment was _____.

MAJORITY REPORT 10 out of 12

Numbers 13:28-31

1. All 10 men went _____ their _____.
2. Remember the 3 observations of those who surround you.
3. God had promised them the land, but what they saw was seen with faulty vision because . . .
 - a. _____ is _____.
 - b. _____ of vision from the world that surrounds us.
 - c. Human _____ overrules faith.

d. _____ thinking says, "you can't win."

Majority Report:

"Let's appoint a leader and go back to Egypt." —Num. 14:4

MINORITY REPORT 2 out of 12

Numbers 14:6

Joshua and Caleb speak out as to what God said.

Minority Report:

"The Lord is with us, fear them not." —Num. 14:6-9

"...that I give unto the children of Israel." —Num. 13:2

Crowd's Response:

"But all the congregation bade stone them with stones." Num. 14:10

"It is doubtful if the majority has ever been right"
—Arnold Toynbee

CONCLUSION

What is your Canaan?

What is your challenge?

What are your giants?

What is your future?

If you are ever going *not to live just normal*, you must have clear _____.

VISION is the ability to:

- See God's _____
- Perceive God's _____
- Focus on God's _____

Alphabet of Vision:

A _____

B _____

C _____

D _____

E _____

It is time to **NOT TO LIVE JUST NORMAL** and it starts with
_____.