



**THE SPIRIT OF CALEB**

**SUNDAY, MAY 22, 2016**

**KEY SCRIPTURE** | Joshua 14:6–15, 15:13–14

### **DISCUSSION GUIDE**

Caleb remained true to the God-given conviction planted deep within him. No situation could pry it loose. As we read about Caleb's inheritance and the reasons he was blessed with land to call his own at 85 years young, we can almost feel his passion as he declared, "Give me this hill country the Lord promised . . . I will drive them [giants] out as the Lord promised" (Joshua 14:12).

We live in a culture filled with "giants" we can't defeat without God's help. Our convictions must be God given, or they will fail. This will often mean moving against popular culture, so be prepared to go against the tide. Like Caleb, never stop chasing after God with unwavering resolve!

### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

1. What stood out to you from Sunday's message?
2. Has God ever given you conviction about something? What is it?
3. Can you think of a time when you confused a preference with a conviction?
4. Have you ever mistaken someone else's call for your own? When or how did you realize it wasn't your own? Did it cost you anything to follow it?
5. Discuss a time when you had to "swim against the tide."
6. What practical ideas can you come up with to help manage the distractions that try to sabotage what God has planned for you?
7. What does following God wholeheartedly mean in 2016? What changes might you have to make to chase after Him with unwavering resolve?

### **IN ACTION**

Have you shared your God-sized dream yet? Consider sharing it with your group.

