

## Week 12: “One In A Million”

### 1. READ

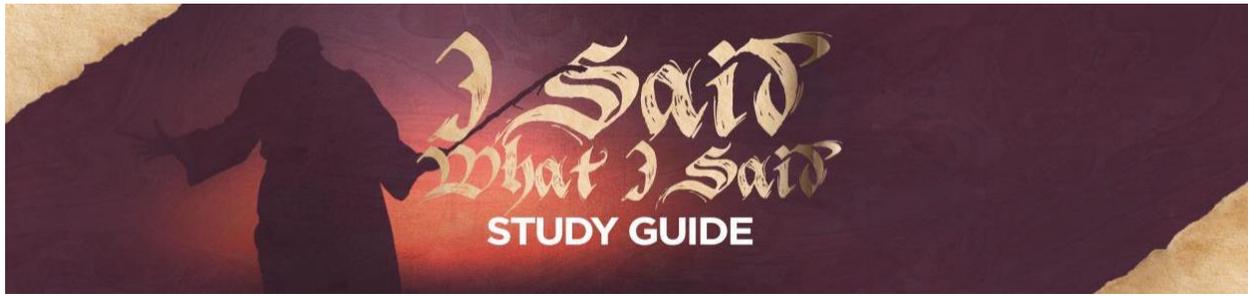
**Pastor Watley’s Scripture: Deuteronomy 1:2-8 New King International Version (NIV)**

<sup>2</sup> (It takes eleven days to go from Horeb to Kadesh Barnea by the Mount Seir road.)

<sup>3</sup> In the fortieth year, on the first day of the eleventh month, Moses proclaimed to the Israelites all that the LORD had commanded him concerning them. <sup>4</sup> This was after he had defeated Sihon king of the Amorites, who reigned in Heshbon, and at Edrei had defeated Og king of Bashan, who reigned in Ashtaroth.

<sup>5</sup> East of the Jordan in the territory of Moab, Moses began to expound this law, saying:

<sup>6</sup> The LORD our God said to us at Horeb, “You have stayed long enough at this mountain. <sup>7</sup> Break camp and advance into the hill country of the Amorites; go to all the neighboring peoples in the Arabah, in the mountains, in the western foothills, in the Negev and along the coast, to the land of the Canaanites and to Lebanon, as far as the great river, the Euphrates. <sup>8</sup> See, I have given you this land. Go in and take possession of the land the LORD swore he would give to your fathers—to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob—and to their descendants after them.”



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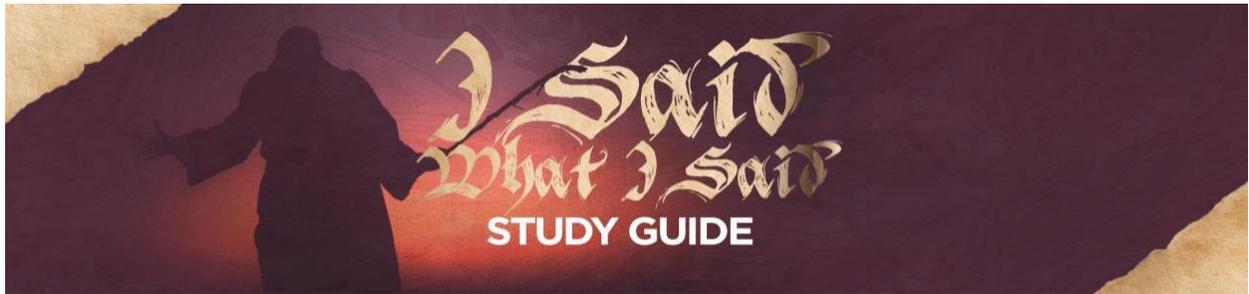
**Suggested Chapters to Study This Week: Deuteronomy 1 and Numbers 13**

### 2. REFLECT

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Pastor Watley is concluding our series today with week 12 of “I Said What I Said” as we have studied the life, legacy and ministry of Moses. If you have missed any of the sermons and/or study guides please visit our website and your YouTube page to download and view them. In this final week Pastor Watley shares from this scripture in Deuteronomy (*Deuteronomy means the second law*) about the faith of a few who saw and believed God for the promise land. Before they get into the purpose land Pastor shares with us that they had to be tired and that we too share in this level of being tired. After the year we have had and after how this year has started, we are all tired. Pastor Watley shared that “Fatigue is when you run out of energy and weariness is when you lose the will to fight your fatigue. The only answer to this as Pastor Watley shared is that we have to unplug when there is no off switch. This is because when you unplug it allows you to “stop” to be refreshed to be restored and then to move forward. This wasn’t the case for the Children of Israel in our text they were weary on a journey that took them 40 years but the scripture says should have only taken them 11 days.

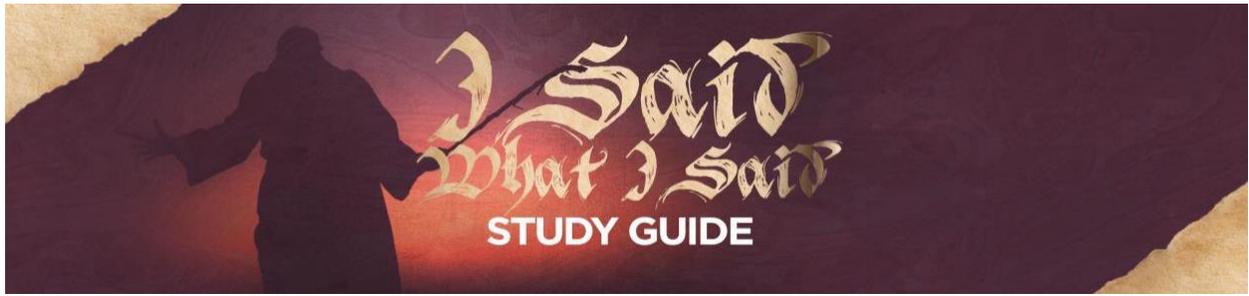


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The amount of time it took them to get to the promise land, these 40 years, is the reason why they were weary. At this point in the scripture Pastor Watley points out the cloud that the Lord sent them didn't leave them it lifted in order to lead them to the entrance of the promise land. However, there are sometimes that we must consider if we're going to enter the promise land and Pastor Watley gives us a list.

1. First ask the question did God make you a promise? Not every promise comes from God but if you can see the promise of God for you in the Bible it's your promise.
2. Pastor goes further to say that we know it's the promise land for us when we face overwhelming opposition. The scriptures share that there were enemies in the promise land that were larger than the Children of Israel.
3. There will also be outstanding opportunity. The report came back with enemies in the land but also with fruit the size of what they haven't seen before. The opportunity was large for them.
4. A minority report will arise from the group. It's not about the size of the group rather and instead it's about the faith of the two. Pastor Watley reminds us that there were only two that said they could take the promise land out of 2 million. The math on 2 divided by 2 million is “One In A Million”.

Pastor Watley reminds us here that this is what it means to be a believer. Being a believer of Jesus means that you won't always be in the majority but that you will be in the minority. However, your minority report is better than the majority when you trust in God. The others who believed the majority report were so afraid of the giants in the land that they wanted to go back to Egypt go back to slavery. God saw the faith of the minority and said that everyone else would not make it into the promise land. They would die there in the wilderness but the two that believed they would be the only ones from the group to make it into the promise land flowing with milk and honey. Pastor Watley reminds us that while they were dying out in the wilderness, they were also birthing children they would walk into the promise land. You can be in a dying situation and still give birth to something or someone that God will bless. God has called you to be One In A Million and to trust in God beyond what you see and beyond what others say.



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### 3. RESPOND

#### **Introspective Questions**

- ï Are you one in a million at your job or in your community?
- ï When was the last time you stood up for God in a public way regardless of the result?

#### **Discussion Questions**

- ï Do you think Joshua and Caleb knew the impact of their words when they came back from scouting out the promise land? And do you think if they knew the impact, they would have changed some of their words?
- ï How do you think the children of Israel felt as they were stuck in the wilderness but still able to give birth to children that would occupy the promise?