

# Joshua, Caleb, and the Spies Skit

## CHARACTERS:

- Narrator
- Moses (no lines, but must act when the time comes by falling on the ground before the Children of Israel. See verse 5.)
- Aaron (no lines, but must act when the time comes by falling on the ground before the Children of Israel. See verse 5.)
- Joshua
- Caleb
- Children of Israel (all the students not assigned a particular part)

## NUMBERS 14:1–10

**Narrator:** <sup>1</sup> So all the congregation lifted up their voices and cried, and the people wept that night. <sup>2</sup> And all the children of Israel complained against Moses and Aaron, and the whole congregation said to them,

**Children of Israel together:** “If only we had died in the land of Egypt! Or if only we had died in this wilderness! <sup>3</sup> Why has the Lord brought us to this land to fall by the sword, that our wives and children should become victims? Would it not be better for us to return to Egypt?”

**Narrator:** <sup>4</sup> So they said to one another,

**Children of Israel together:** “Let us select a leader and return to Egypt.”

**Narrator:** <sup>5</sup> Then Moses and Aaron fell on their faces before all the assembly of the congregation of the children of Israel.

**Narrator:** <sup>6</sup> But Joshua the son of Nun and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, who were among those who had spied out the land, tore their clothes; <sup>7</sup> and they spoke to all the congregation of the children of Israel, saying:

**Joshua and Caleb together:** “The land we passed through to spy out is an exceedingly good land. <sup>8</sup> If the Lord delights in us, then He will bring us into this land and give it to us, ‘a land which flows with milk and honey.’ <sup>9</sup> Only do not rebel against the Lord, nor fear the people of the land, for they are our bread; their protection has departed from them, and the Lord is with us. Do not fear them.”

**Narrator:** <sup>10</sup> And all the congregation said to stone them with stones. Now the glory of the Lord appeared in the tabernacle of meeting before all the children of Israel.