

God's Response to Economic Uncertainty

-- Numbers 13:25-33 --

- A. It was announced last week the U.S. is officially in a recession. A recession is two consecutive quarters of negative economic growth as measured by gross domestic product.
- B. Every Christian needs to know two things:
 - 1. God is good. God knows our hearts
 - 2. Turn off the TV!!
- C. If Joshua and Caleb were here today, they would say “*we are well able to overcome*”. What they saw was God leading. What the other 10 saw was themselves – as “*grasshoppers*” Such a view caused them to wander in the wilderness for 40 years (**Num 14:26-35**)
- D. Will we respond to this financial bad news like grasshoppers or with trust in God?

1. “ _____ ”

- A. How big and strong is God? Can He handle a crisis?
- B. Open the scriptures and read _____ ...
- C. The responsibility of husbands and fathers is to inject some godly influence in the midst of bad news...
- D. Although there are “giants in the land”, God is still God. He is our anchor point (_____)...
- E. We need to consider **1 Thess 5:16-18**. Why should we gripe? Why should we be despondent? Why should we be alarmed?
- F. Heed the words Jesus spoke on the Sermon on the Mount. Jesus reminds us of a truth in **Matt 6:19-34**. God can be trusted to provide our needs...

2. _____ ?

A. *Remove your heart from the* _____ (**1 Timothy 6:6-10**)...

B. *Be a* _____ *of your* _____ (**1 Corinthians 4:2; Luke 12:13-21; Matthew 25:14-30**)

C. _____ *on the* _____ *about* _____

D. _____ (**James 1:2-8**)

E. _____ (**Proverbs 12:15**)

F. _____

G. _____ *a* _____ (Caleb and Joshua vs. Israel)