



LORD OF THE MATRIX

SHELACH – NUMBERS 13:1 – 15:41

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Shelach lecha anashim, veyaturu et-'eretz kena'an, asher-'ani
noten livnei yisra'el; ish echad ish echad lematteh avotav
tishlachu, kol nasi vahem.

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Send out for yourself men who will scout the Land of Canaan,
which I am giving to the children of Israel. You shall send one
man each for his father's tribe; each one shall be a chieftain
in their midst.

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They recognized the land was exactly as promised.

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Numbers 13:28

Nevertheless, the people who live in the land are strong,
and the cities are fortified and very large; and moreover,
we saw the descendants of Anak there.

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Exodus 3:8

So I have come down to deliver them from the power of the Egyptians, and to bring them up from that land to a **good and spacious land, to a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanite and the Hittite and the Amorite and the Perizzite and the Hivite and the Jebusite.**

SO WHAT WAS
THE PROBLEM?

LEARNING FROM "THE MATRIX"



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Morpheus

How did I beat you?

Neo

You... you're too fast.

Morpheus

Do you believe that my being stronger has ***anything*** to do with my muscles in ***this place***? Do you think that's air you're breathing now?



ONLY ONCE HE REALIZED PHYSICAL
MIGHT DIDN'T MATTER COULD HE
START TO FULFILL HIS PURPOSE

THE PEOPLE TRY TO TAKE THE LAND

Numbers 14:39-40

39) When Moses spoke these words to all the sons of Israel, the people mourned greatly.

40) In the morning, **however**, they rose up early and went up to the ridge of the hill country, saying, “Here we are; we have indeed sinned, **but** we will go up to the place which YHVH has promised.”

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Numbers 14:43-45

43) “For the Amalekites and the Canaanites will be there in front of you, and you will fall by the sword, inasmuch as you have turned back from following YHVH. YHVH will not be with you.”

44) But they went up heedlessly to the ridge of the hill country; neither the ark of the covenant of YHVH nor Moses left the camp.

45) Then the Amalekites and the Canaanites who lived in that hill country came down, and struck them and beat them down as far as Hormah.



**BY FEARING THE PHYSICAL REALM, THEY
WERE JUDGED ACCORDING TO ITS RULES**

LIVING BY THE SWORD

Matthew 26:52

Then Yehoshua said to him, “Put your sword back into its place; for all those who take up the sword shall perish by the sword.”

LIVING BY THE SWORD

Matthew 26:69-70

69) Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard, and a servant-girl came to him and said, “You too were with Yehoshua the Galilean.”

70) But he denied before them all, saying, “I do not know what you are talking about.”



LIVING BY THE SPIRIT

Fearing YHVH makes the impossible ***possible***

*For He is the **Lord of the Matrix***



LIVING BY THE SPIRIT

Acts 2:3-4, 18

3) And there appeared to them tongues as of fire distributing themselves, and they rested on each one of them.

4) And they were all filled with the Ruach and began to speak with other tongues, as the Ruach Hakodesh was giving them utterance.

18) Even on **My bondslaves**, both men and women, I will in those days pour forth of My Ruach and they shall prophesy.

LIVING BY THE SPIRIT

Joshua 6:20

So the people shouted, and priests blew the trumpets; and when the people heard the sound of the trumpet, the people shouted with a great shout and the **wall fell down flat**, so that the people went up into the city, every man straight ahead, and they took the city.



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