Funneled Feelings, Focused Faith

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What we see affects what we feel.

"So they brought to the people of Israel a bad report of the land that they had spied out, saying, 'The land, through which we have gone to spy it out, is a land that devours its inhabitants, and all the people that we **saw** in it are of great height. And there we saw the Nephilim, and we **seemed** to ourselves like grasshoppers, and so we seemed to them.'" (Numbers 13:32-33 ESV)

Feelings can be unreliable.

"And all the people of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron. The whole congregation said to them, 'Would that we had died in the land of Egypt! Or would that we had died in this wilderness! Why is the Lord bringing us into this land, to fall by the sword? Our wives and our little ones will become a prey. Would it not be better for us to go back to Egypt?"

(Numbers 14:2-3 ESV)

Faith focuses on our Father.

"And Joshua the son of Nun and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, who were among those who had spied out the land, tore their clothes ⁷and said to all the congregation of the people of Israel, 'The land, which we passed through to spy it out, is an **exceedingly good land**. ⁸If the Lord delights in us, he will bring us into this land and give it to us, a land that flows with milk and honey. ⁹Only **do not rebel against the Lord**. And do not fear the people of the land, for they are bread for us. Their protection is removed from them, and **the Lord is with us; do not fear them**."

(Numbers 14:6-9 ESV)