



## Never, Ever, Ever Panic

Numbers 13:30-33

**Listen!** A quick decision at 300 feet above the Gulf of Mexico...

**Question:** Why is panic never a good idea?

### Panic or Trust? A Spiritual Chain of Events:

#1 All the people had already seen God work in power. (14:11, 22, 23)

#2 God promised to take them into the Promised Land. (13:2)

#3 Twelve men spied out the Promised Land. (13:17-24)

#4 Two men trusted God to take them into the Promised Land. (13:30/14:6-9)

Ten men panicked about entering the Promised Land. (13:31 +)

#5 The people rebelled against God and refused to go into the Promised Land. (14:1-4)

#6 The entire rebellious generation lost the Promised Land. (14:23)

The two who trusted God gained the Promised Land. (14:30)

**Corollary Ideas:** The essence of panic is rebellion and it leads to loss.

The essence of trust is obedience and it leads to gain.

**For Help in Trusting:**

**For Instance:**

**Application:** What is the major thing for which God expects you to trust Him today?

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**What are you going to do?** Please check one: Trust \_\_\_\_\_ Panic \_\_\_\_\_

(Remember: Trust leads to gain and panic leads to loss.)

# “Walking Papers”

Practical helps for walking the Christian walk this week.

**Corollary Ideas: The essence of panic is rebellion and it leads to loss.**

**The essence of trust is obedience and it leads to gain.**

Please take time each day this week to think through these questions and ideas:

List three things for which God is calling you to trust and for which you are tempted to panic:

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

Which of these specific things will you do, in this week, to enhance your ability to trust?

- Read Hebrews 11 \_\_\_\_\_
- Pray every day about the issue \_\_\_\_\_
- Call a friend, explain the issue, and enlist prayer \_\_\_\_\_
- Fast and pray for a day about the issue \_\_\_\_\_
- Write a journal entry about the struggle \_\_\_\_\_
  - The problem:
  - The temptation:
  - The command of God regarding this issue:
  - The ways you have seen God work in the past:
  - The lessons of Hebrews 11:1, 6, 32-40:
  - The losses of panicking:
  - The gains of trusting:
  - The people who are impacted:
- Make a poster or other physical reminder to trust \_\_\_\_\_

***“There are no good outcomes from panic—it is all loss.”***