

### Sending Spies

For each question, write the answer in your own words and cite the *pasuk* where you found the answer:

1. Read Devarim 1:21-45. Whose idea was it to send the spies?
2. What was the purpose for sending the spies? What kind of information were they supposed to report on?
3. What was their report?
4. Read Bemidbar 13:1-33. Whose idea was it to send the spies?
5. What was the purpose for sending the spies? What kind of information were they supposed to report on?
6. What was their report?
7. Can you think of a solution to any of the differences between Debarim and Bemidbar?
8. Read this Rashi. How does he reconcile questions 1 and 4?  

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שלח לך - לדעתך, אני איני מצוה לך, אם תרצה שלח, לפי שבאו ישראל ואמרו (דברים א, כב) נשלחה אנשים לפנינו, כמה שנאמר (שם) ותקרבו אלי כלכם וגו', ומשה נמלך בשכינה.
9. Is it a sin to send spies at all? Should Bne Yisrael have just trusted? See Bemidbar 21:32 Yohoshua 2:1, and Devarim 1:23.
10. What is Moshe's overall purpose in quoting the story of the spies? How may that motivation have effected which details of the story he chose to emphasize?