

My Reasons

MOVING BEYOND EXCUSES

Every boundary problem is always accompanied by an _____.

EXCUSE = A _____ FOR AN OFFENSE

EXCUSE = A _____ FROM OBLIGATION OR DUTY

Bias

THE TENDENCY TO ATTRIBUTE ONE'S SUCCESSES TO _____
FACTORS AND BLAME _____ FACTORS FOR ONE'S FAILURES.

Numbers 13:27-33 (NLT) This was their report to Moses: "We entered the land you sent us to explore, and it is indeed a bountiful country—a land flowing with milk and honey. Here is the kind of fruit it produces. 28 But the people living there are powerful, and their towns are large and fortified. We even saw giants there, the descendants of Anak! 29 The Amalekites live in the Negev, and the Hittites, Jebusites, and Amorites live in the hill country. The Canaanites live along the coast of the Mediterranean Sea and along the Jordan Valley."

30 But Caleb tried to quiet the people as they stood before Moses. "Let's go at once to take the land," he said. "We can certainly conquer it!"

31 But the other men who had explored the land with him disagreed. "We can't go up against them! They are stronger than we are!" 32 So they spread this bad report about the land among the Israelites: "The land we traveled through and explored will devour anyone who goes to live there. All the people we saw were huge. 33 We even saw giants there, the descendants of Anak. Next to them we felt like grasshoppers, and that's what they thought, too!"

An excuse is something you _____ behind

There is a direct relationship between your ability to _____
Jesus and your willingness to push through your _____

Exodus 3:7-8 (NLT) Then the Lord told him, "I have certainly seen the oppression of my people in Egypt. I have heard their cries of distress because of their harsh slave drivers. Yes, I am aware of their suffering. 8 So I have come down to rescue them from the power of the Egyptians and lead them out of Egypt into their own fertile and spacious land. It is a land flowing with milk and honey—the land where the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites, and Jebusites now live."

Excuses are _____ we tell ourselves about _____

Joshua 15:13-14 (NLT) The Lord commanded Joshua to assign some of Judah's territory to Caleb son of Jephunneh. So Caleb was given the town of Kiriath-arba (that is, Hebron), which had been named after Anak's ancestor. 14 Caleb drove out the three groups of Anakites—the descendants of Sheshai, Ahiman, and Talmi, the sons of Anak.

Joshua 11:21 (NLT) During this period Joshua destroyed all the descendants of Anak, who lived in the hill country of Hebron, Debir, Anab, and the entire hill country of Judah and Israel. He killed them all and completely destroyed their towns.

Hebrews 12:1 (NIV) Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles.

James 4:17 (NLT) Remember, it is sin to know what you ought to do and then not do it.

Hebrews 12:1-2 (NIV) ...And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, 2 fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith.

People who make _____ rarely make much of a _____

Excuses are often _____ disguised as _____

Joshua 1:3 I promise you what I promised Moses: 'Wherever you set foot, you will be on land I have given you