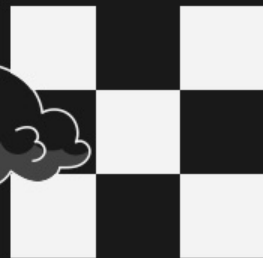


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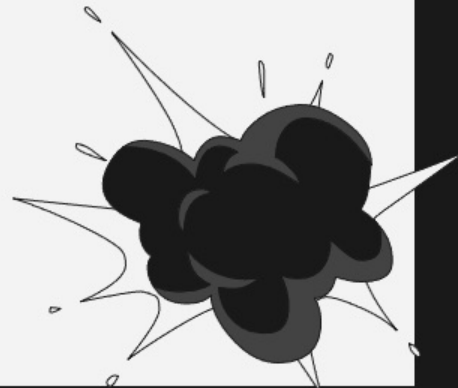
GOOD

FIGHT



1 TIMOTHY 6:12A NLT

¹²Fight the good fight for the true faith.



NUMBERS 13:27-28 NLT

²⁷This 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. ²⁸But the people living there are powerful, and their towns are large and fortified. We even saw giants there, the descendants of Anak!"



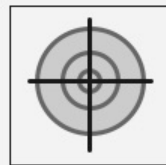


WHAT IS A
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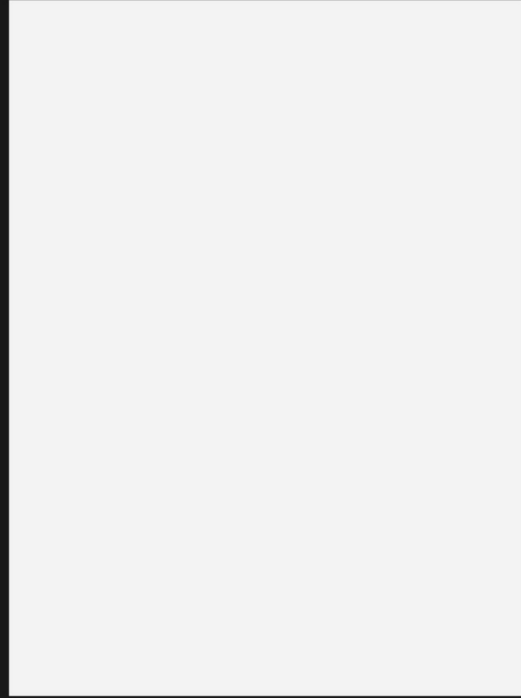
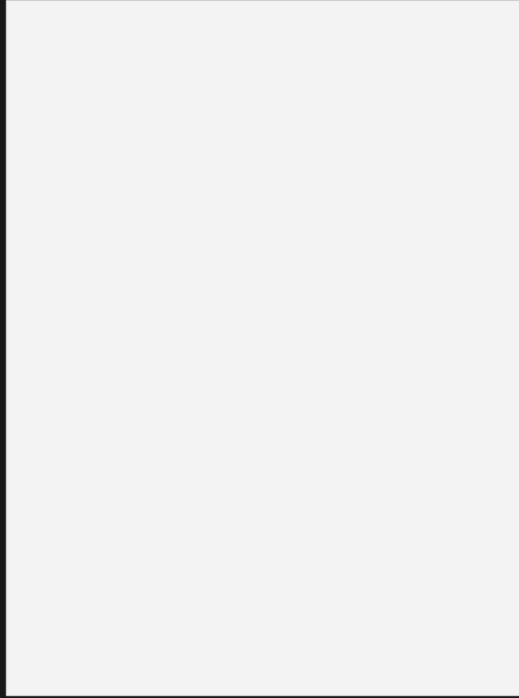
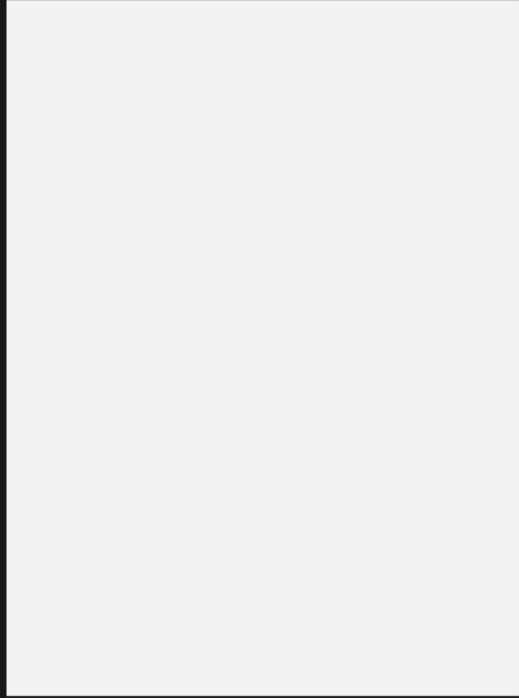


WHAT IS A CRITIC?



A critic is not someone who points out what is bad, they are someone who focuses on what is bad.

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WE NEED TO DEFEAT

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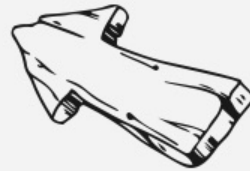
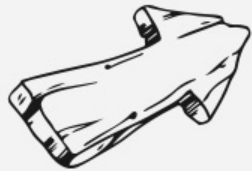
NUMBERS 13:31B-33 NLT

"We can't go up against them! They are stronger than we are!" ³²So 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. ³³We even saw giants there, the descendants of Anak. Next to them we felt like grasshoppers, and that's what they thought, too!"





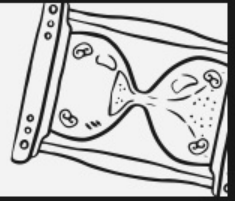
**WE NEED TO DEFEAT
THE CRITIC
IN YOU**



NUMBERS 14:1 NLT



¹Then the whole community began weeping aloud, and they cried all night.



How do you talk about and to the
person in the mirror?



WE NEED TO DEFEAT

THE CRITIC



FROM YOU



NUMBERS 14:2-4 NLT

²Their voices rose in a great chorus of protest against Moses and Aaron. "If only we had died in Egypt, or even here in the wilderness!" they complained. ³"Why is the Lord taking us to this country only to have us die in battle? Our wives and our little ones will be carried off as plunder! Wouldn't it be better for us to return to Egypt?"

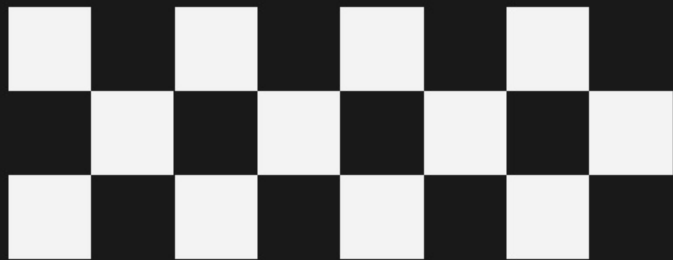
⁴Then they plotted among themselves, "Let's choose a new leader and go back to Egypt!"



**GOD WILL PLACE US IN SITUATIONS
AND WITH PEOPLE WHERE WE HAVE
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**ECHO WHAT GOD IS SAYING OR
WHAT THE ENEMY IS SAYING**



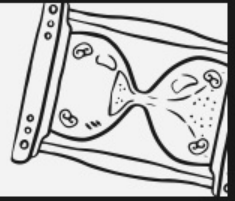
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→ WE NEED TO MAKE
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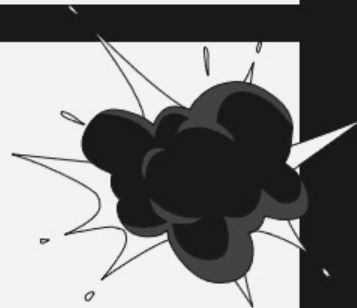
It is so important to find people in our lives that will tell us the whole truth, not just the bad truth.

PROVERBS 27:6 NLT



⁶ Wounds from a sincere friend
are better than many kisses from an enemy.

1 THESSALONIANS 5:11 NLT




¹¹So encourage each other and build each other up,
just as you are already doing.

PROVERBS 27:9 NLT


⁹ The heartfelt counsel of a friend
is as sweet as perfume and incense.



HOW DO WE DEFEAT THE CRITIC?



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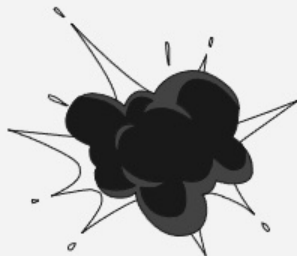


**WHEN YOU GET QUIET
BEFORE THE LORD, HE
WILL GET**

**LOUD
BEFORE YOU**

PSALM 119:25-29 NLT

- 25 I lie in the dust; revive me by your word.
- 26 I told you my plans, and you answered.
Now teach me your decrees.
- 27 Help me understand the meaning of your commandments,
and I will meditate on your wonderful deeds.
- 28 I weep with sorrow; encourage me by your word.
- 29 Keep me from lying to myself;
give me the privilege of knowing your instructions.



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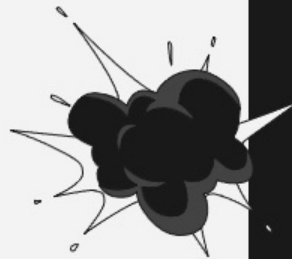


→ **MAKE THE VOICE OF
GOD LOUD FROM YOU.**



JOSHUA 6:1-5 NLT

¹Now the gates of Jericho were tightly shut because the people were afraid of the Israelites. No one was allowed to go out or in. ²But the Lord said to Joshua, "I have given you Jericho, its king, and all its strong warriors. ³You and your fighting men should march around the town once a day for six days. ⁴Seven priests will walk ahead of the Ark, each carrying a ram's horn. On the seventh day you are to march around the town seven times, with the priests blowing the horns. ⁵When you hear the priests give one long blast on the rams' horns, have all the people shout as loud as they can. Then the walls of the town will collapse, and the people can charge straight into the town."



JOSHUA 6:10 NLT

¹⁰"Do not shout; do not even talk," Joshua commanded. "Not a single word from any of you until I tell you to shout. Then shout!"



JOSHUA 6:16,20 NLT

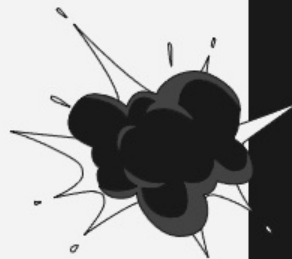
¹⁶The seventh time around, as the priests sounded the long blast on their horns, Joshua commanded the people, "Shout! For the Lord has given you the town!"

²⁰ When the people heard the sound of the rams' horns, they shouted as loud as they could. Suddenly, the walls of Jericho collapsed, and the Israelites charged straight into the town and captured it.



NUMBERS 14:6-9 NLT

⁶Two of the men who had explored the land, Joshua son of Nun and Caleb son of Jephunneh, tore their clothing. ⁷They said to all the people of Israel, "The land we traveled through and explored is a wonderful land! ⁸And if the Lord is pleased with us, he will bring us safely into that land and give it to us. It is a rich land flowing with milk and honey. ⁹Do not rebel against the Lord, and don't be afraid of the people of the land. They are only helpless prey to us! They have no protection, but the Lord is with us! Don't be afraid of them!"



NUMBERS 14:21-24 NLT

²¹But as surely as I live, and as surely as the earth is filled with the Lord's glory, ²²not one of these people will ever enter that land. They have all seen my glorious presence and the miraculous signs I performed both in Egypt and in the wilderness, but again and again they have tested me by refusing to listen to my voice. ²³They will never even see the land I swore to give their ancestors. None of those who have treated me with contempt will ever see it. ²⁴But my servant Caleb has a different attitude than the others have. He has remained loyal to me, so I will bring him into the land he explored. His descendants will possess their full share of that land.

