## February 16, 2025



And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. Romans 8:28

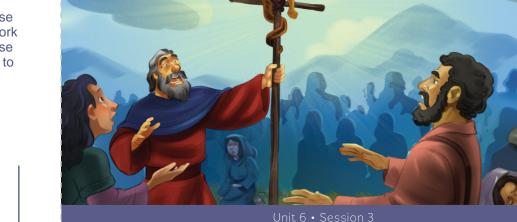
1. What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?

2. What does this story teach me about myself?

3. Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?

4. Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?

5. How does this story help me to live on mission better?



## Unit 6 • Session 3 **THE PEOPLE COMPLAINED** Numbers 16; 20–21

## WHY SHOULD WE OBEY GOD? WE SHOULD OBEY GOD BECAUSE HE MADE US, HE LOVES US, AND HIS PLANS ARE GOOD.

The Israelites did not believe God's promise to give them the land of Canaan. Their consequence was to spend forty years in the wilderness. The people would complain to Moses and to God many times.

A man named Korah led 250 men of Israel to rebel against Moses. But God reminded the people that He had chosen Moses to lead.

Another time, the people complained because there was not enough water for the community. Moses and Aaron went to God. The LORD spoke to Moses and said, "Take the staff and gather all the Israelites. Speak to the rock while everyone watches, and water will come out of the rock. All the people and animals will be able to drink."

As they continued their journey, the people became very impatient. They again complained to God and Moses. "Why have you led us from Egypt to die in the wilderness?" As a consequence for their complaining, the people were bitten by poisonous snakes. Many people died.

The people realized they had sinned with their words. Moses interceded for the people. The LORD said to Moses, "Make an image of a snake and mount it on a pole." Whenever someone who was bitten looked at the bronze snake, God healed him.

Christ Connection: Like the Israelites, we sin when we complain and do not trust God. The Israelites faced death for their sin, but when they looked to the bronze snake they were healed. The consequence for our sin is also death, but when we look to Jesus and trust in Him, we will be saved.



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