



## The Bronze Serpent

Numbers 21:4-9

### 1. The People \_\_\_\_\_

Impatient, insolent, the people of God once again turned their hearts away from Him. Their disdain for all that God had done for them echoes in their harsh and faithless words.

*Hebrews 3:18-19 ~ And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.*

### 2. God \_\_\_\_\_

Sin comes with such a vicious sting. In response to the rebellion of the people, God sent fiery serpents into the encampment and the people were bit. Like a burning venom, sin courses through the very fiber of our lives—a poison ready to kill.

*1 Corinthians 15:56 ~ The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.*

### 3. The People \_\_\_\_\_

When the bite of sin burns within, that is when a person will repent. Do not dismiss so quickly the pain that accompanies the sin of your life for it is God's servant to bring you to a place where you will confess and renounce all your rebellions.

*2 Corinthians 7:10 ~ For godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation without regret, whereas worldly grief produces death.*

### 4. God \_\_\_\_\_

Look and live... an act of volitional faith by the sinner upon the object of God's salvation. Only this will bring about the promised restoration and the redemption of your life. Look to Jesus and live! That's it... simple... humble... and fully trusting in the power of God.

*John 6:40 ~ "For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day."*

### John 3:14-16

**"And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life."**



## The Bronze Serpent Additional Scripture References (And Rabbit Trails Bible Study)

### Hebrews 3:8

*Do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion, on the day of testing in the wilderness.*

### 1 Samuel 15:23

*"For rebellion is as the sin of divination, and presumption is as iniquity and idolatry. Because you have rejected the word of the Lord, he has also rejected you from being king."*

### Daniel 9:9

*To the LORD our God belong mercy and forgiveness, for we have rebelled against him.*

### Lamentations 3:39

*Why should a living man complain, a man, about the punishment of his sins?*

### Psalms 51:4

*Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.*

### Ezekiel 18:21

*"But if a wicked person turns away from all his sins that he has committed and keeps all my statutes and does what is just and right, he shall surely live; he shall not die."*

### 1 Kings 21:27

*And when Ahab heard those words, he tore his clothes and put sackcloth on his flesh and fasted and lay in sackcloth and went about dejectedly.*

### 2 Peter 3:9

*The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.*

### 2 Samuel 12:13

*David said to Nathan, "I have sinned against the LORD." And Nathan said to David, "The LORD also has put away your sin; you shall not die."*

### 1 Peter 2:24

*He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.*