
Discovering God's Word

OLD TESTAMENT SURVEY

STUDY GUIDE

How to use this Guide

This Leader's Guide is meant to be a tool, a resource to help unpack the Old Testament with your group. The guide is broken into three sessions: Open, Read and Watch, and Discuss. Open your group with prayer and community fellowship, then watch the video and read the texts, and then discuss. The guide is not just something to simply go through or "get done" each session. It doesn't contain all the answers to every part of the Old Testament. Rather, it's meant to be a springboard for conversation and discipleship within your group. We hope and pray that this series will be fruitful for you and your group as you continue to grow in Christ. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Josh at jgores@riverlawn.org.

Session 10

Open:

- 1. Open this session in prayer. As we prepare to cover the book of Numbers, pray that God would give you wisdom, understanding, and delight in His Word.**
- 2. How have you seen God at work this past week? What has time in the Word and in prayer looked like for you over this past month?**
- 3. What is one area of growth that you are pursuing for this coming month?**

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Read and Watch:

4. How would you characterize the theme of the book of Numbers? What all do you know about the book of Numbers?
5. What is something that stood out to you about this session?
6. Read Numbers 21:4-9.

4 From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. 5 And the people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food." 6 Then the Lord sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. 7 And the people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned, for we have spoken against the Lord and against you. Pray to the Lord, that he take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. 8 And the Lord said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live." 9 So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live. -Numbers 21:4-9

Why were the people complaining? What was the Lord's response? How was healing provided?

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Discuss:

7. What does it look like to put our trust fully in God? Why do you think the Israelites sometimes faltered in their trust? Why do we tend to falter in our trust?
8. What does it mean to repent and believe? What connections do you see between the story of Numbers 21 and Peter's message in Acts 2:38?