



Dear Parents,

This week we will experience the people of Israel grumbling to God in the wilderness. God punished them for their sin by sending poisonous snakes to bite the people. However, God also provided a way to be healed. He told Moses to place a bronze snake on a pole and whenever someone looked at it, they would live.

Because of our sin, we face a huge problem: we are separated from God. We deserve to die, but anyone who looks to Jesus on the cross and trusts in Him will live forever with God.

Help your children see that God takes sin seriously, but He also graciously provided a solution for sin: Jesus.

FAMILY STARTING POINTS

Babies and Toddlers

We can trust God.

God did not leave His people when they grumbled.

God healed His people.

God sent Jesus because He loves us.

Preschool

Whom can we trust? We can trust God.

God told His people to look at the bronze snake.

Kids

Whom can we trust? We can trust God to take care of us.

God told His people to look at the bronze snake to be healed.

UNIT KEY PASSAGE

Joshua 1:9

Check out the Gospel Project for Kids Family App or the Big Picture Cards for Families for ways to interact with the Bible content each week. You can also download our church app, The Source Church App, to download or print activities: apps.apple.com/us/app/the-source-church-app/id1173078648.

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THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITY

THE BRONZE SNAKE

ACTIVITY: PLAY DOUGH SNAKES

INSTRUCTIONS

- *Roll one color play dough or two colors into a long string that looks like a snake.
- *Wrap it around a pencil.
- *Decorate your snake with eyes and other play dough colors.

MATERIALS

- *Play dough (different colors)
- *Pencils

STORY CONNECTION

The Israelites sinned, and God sent snakes to punish them. Anyone who was bitten by a snake could look at the snake on the pole and live. We sin, too. Our sin separates us from God. We can look to Jesus to save us and give us life forever with God.



ACTIVITY
PRINTABLE

THE BRONZE SNAKE ACTIVITY: PLAY DOUGH SNAKES

MAKE PLAY DOUGH SNAKES

Provide play dough and craft sticks for toddlers. Demonstrate how to roll out play dough to make “snakes.” Help toddlers wrap their snakes around the “pole.”

SAY: God healed His people when they looked at the bronze snake. God sent Jesus because He loves us. **WE CAN TRUST GOD.**



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The Bronze Snake

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Key Passage: Joshua 1:9

Christ Connection: The Israelites sinned, and God sent snakes to punish them. Anyone who was bitten by a snake could look at the snake on the pole and live. We sin, too. Our sin separates us from God. We can look to Jesus to save us and give us life forever with God.

Big Picture Question and Answer: Whom can we trust? We can trust God.

Main Point for Babies and Toddlers: We can trust God.

Main Point for Preschoolers: God told His people to look at the bronze snake.

Bible Story Points:

- God did not leave His people when they grumbled.
- God healed His people.
- God sent Jesus because He loves us.

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LESSON
CONNECTION

I'm Thirsty!

INSTRUCTIONS: Use a crayon to fill the glasses with a drink. Color to the line.



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Snake Pattern Decoder

INSTRUCTIONS: Use the snake code at the bottom of the page to reveal what the Israelites needed to remember.



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Bronze Snake Word Search

Find and circle the key words in the puzzle.

BRONZE

COMPLAIN

EDOM

GRUMBLE

ISRAELITES

POLE

SIN

SNAKES

WILDERNESS

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Slithering Snakes

Use the snake code to solve the secret message

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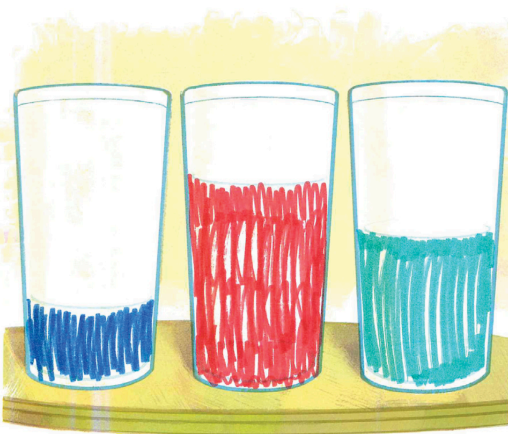

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ANSWER KEYS

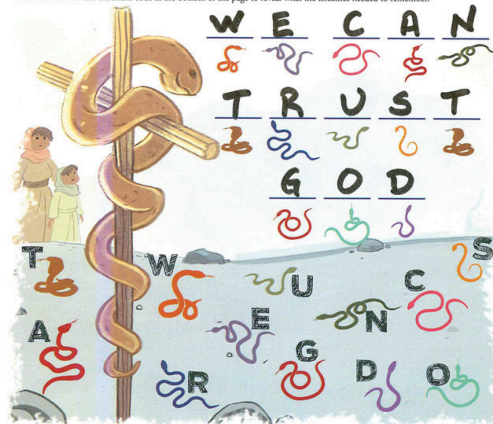
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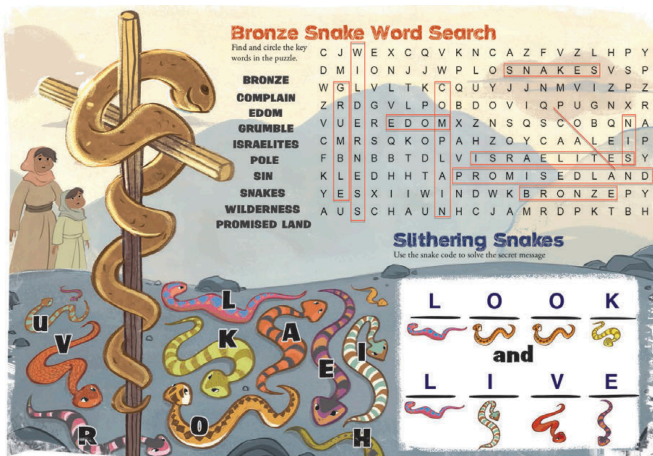


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KEY PASSAGE



"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go."

Joshua 1:9



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