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Unit Summary

Unit 3 is about the Exodus!

In **Moses and Jethro** (Exodus 2:15-22; 18) kids will hear about how God provided advice and help for Moses.

In **Crossing the Red Sea** (Exodus 13:17-15:21) kids will hear about how God rescued His people by leading them safely through the Red Sea.

In **God Gives the Law** (Exodus 19-20) kids will hear about when God gave the Ten Commandments to His people.

In **Bronze Serpent** (Numbers 21:4-9) kids will hear about how God's people were punished for disobeying, but given mercy when they turned to God.

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Encouragement for parents:

Let God Work

Jethro advised Moses to release some control and to let God work. When he did, God provided a new way for things to be done. In the Exodus, the Israelites frequently learned to release their fears, which increased their need to depend on God. Releasing our kids daily to God is a very hard parenting posture to practice! Our fears increase. We want to control, believing we know best. Instead, we can remember to put God in this dominant role in our kids' lives, and the job of our parenting is to point back to Him.

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Lesson 1:

Moses and Jethro (Exodus 2:15-22; 18)
God provides for His people.

Lesson 2:

Crossing the Red Sea (Exodus 13:17-15:21)
God rescues His people.

Lesson 3:

God Gives the Law (Exodus 19-20)
God is holy, and we should be holy.

Lesson 4:

Bronze Serpent (Numbers 21:4-9)
God is both just and merciful.

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Memory Verses:

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Psalm 121:1-2

I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come? My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

Revelation 4:11

Worthy are You, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for You created all things, and by Your will they existed and were created.

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Discipleship Conversation Starters:

Moses and Jethro
(Exodus 2:15-22; 18)

- 1:** Share a time when you started something new. **How did you feel?**
- 2:** Pretend you are starting a new school or job. **List five things you would need to help you be ready for your first day.**
- 3:** Moses went to a new job with a new group of people. Moses needed and wanted things. Moses trusted God to give him what he needed. **Do you trust like Moses? Why or why not?**

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Discipleship Conversation Starters:

Crossing the Red Sea
(Exodus 13:17-15:21)

- 1:** **Have you ever wanted to get somewhere but felt it took you forever to get there? Where was it and how did you handle waiting to get there?**
- 2:** Instead of the Israelites taking the shortest path to get where they were going, God told Moses to take them the longest way. **Why do you think He did that?**
- 3:** **When you ask God for help, what do you think God is thinking and feeling?** Share a time from this week where you went to God for help because you knew He would protect you.

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Discipleship Conversation Starters:

God Gives the Law
(Exodus 19-20)

- 1:** **Name your best friend. Why is this person your best friend? Do you ever try to be like your best friend?** Share more.
- 2:** God is unable to sin, which is one thing we can't do like Him. **What we can do is choose to separate ourselves from sin?** Let's say you hear someone you don't like talking mean about you and your family. **What would you want to do? (Be honest!) What would God want you to do?** Choosing to be more like God is separating yourself from sin.
- 3:** Share about a difficult situation with friends in which you wish you would have handled better. **What would you do differently?**

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Discipleship Conversation Starters:

Bronze Serpent
(Numbers 21:4-9)

- 1:** Imagine you love basketball! It's almost dinnertime and you decide to dribble your ball to the dinner table, even though this is against the rules. **What problems might happen with a basketball at the dinner table?**
- 2:** **What would you expect your parent(s) to do if that really happened to you in your house?** If your parents don't give you a punishment that you deserve, they would be showing you mercy.
- 3:** **What punishment have you ever received that didn't feel fair to you?** God is fair to all and He forgives those who are sorry for their actions. **Is it hard for you to treat others fairly and with mercy? Why or why not?**

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