

Journal Page



- What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
- What does this story teach me about myself?
- Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
- Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
- How does this story help me to live on mission better?

- FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS**
- Why did the Israelites complain in the wilderness?
 - How did God provide for the Israelites?
 - List your family's needs. Then pray and ask God to provide.

Bread from Heaven

Exodus 15-17

STORY POINT: GOD PROVIDED FOR THE PHYSICAL NEEDS OF HIS PEOPLE.

Moses led God's people to the wilderness. They were hungry. They complained to Moses. "You brought us out here to starve to death!"

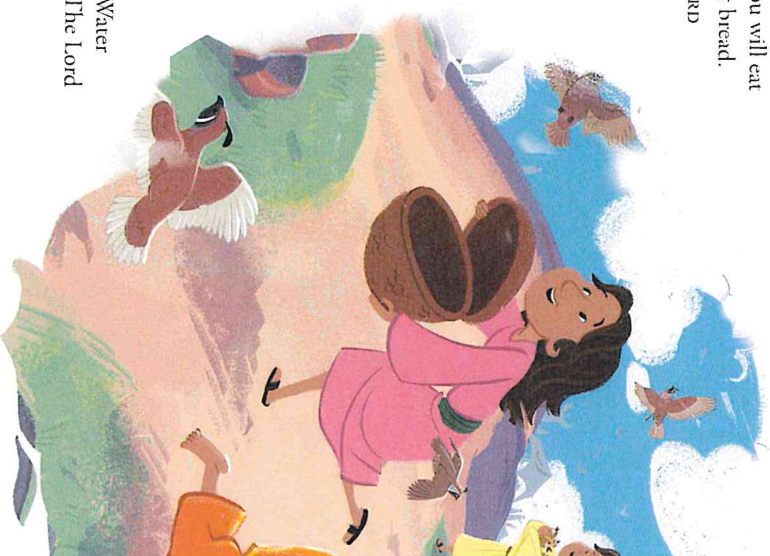
God said, "I have heard the complaints of the Israelites. Tell them: In the evening you will eat meat, and in the morning you will eat bread. Then you will know that I am the LORD your God."

At evening, quail came into the camp. In the morning, fine flakes like frost were on the ground. The Israelites called the bread manna. He told them to collect just enough to eat for the day. He told them to collect twice as much on the sixth day, because the seventh day was a day to rest.

The Israelites ate manna for 40 years while they were in the wilderness. One day, they came to a camp with no water.

"You brought us out here to die," the Israelites said. They forgot that the Lord had a plan for them.

God showed Moses a rock and instructed him to hit it with his staff. Water came out of it, and the people drank. The Lord was with them.



Christ Connection: In the New Testament, Jesus said that He is the Bread of life. (John 6:31-35) God provided manna from heaven for His people's physical hunger, and later He provided His Son, Jesus, for our spiritual hunger. The Israelites needed bread to live for a little while, but whoever has Jesus will live forever!