

**Year 1**

**Week 47**

## **Aaron's Rod Buds/ Moses Strikes The Rock**

**Scriptures: Numbers 17 and Numbers 20**

**Key Verses: Numbers 17:5 “And it shall be that the rod of the man whom I choose will blossom; thus I will rid Myself of the complaints of the children of Israel which they make against you.”**

**Numbers 20:10 “And Moses and Aaron gathered the assembly together before the rock and he said to them, “Hear now, you rebels! Must we bring water for you out of this rock?”**

### **Key Points:**

- 1.** God told Moses to have a leader from each of the 12 tribes bring him a rod. Moses was to write each man's name on their rod. The next day, Aaron's rod budded, bloomed, and bore almonds in the tabernacle. Moses showed the rods to all of the people.
- 2.** God instructed Moses to place Aaron's rod back in the tabernacle as a sign to the rebels not to complain!
- 3.** As the Israelites traveled, there was no water in the wilderness so they gathered together against Moses and Aaron to grumble, complain, and accuse. Moses and Aaron fell on their faces in the doorway of the tent of meeting. God spoke to Moses, telling him to gather the children of Israel together, take his staff and speak to a rock that was before them and it would bring forth water. However, Moses struck the rock with his staff, in frustration and anger, telling them they were rebels. Water did come forth, but God was not pleased with his actions of disobedience and irreverence. He was instructed to speak to the rock, not strike it.
- 4.** Because God did not believe Moses to reverence Him while speaking in the presence of the children of Israel, neither he nor Aaron were allowed to enter the promised land. The place was called “Meribah” or contention.

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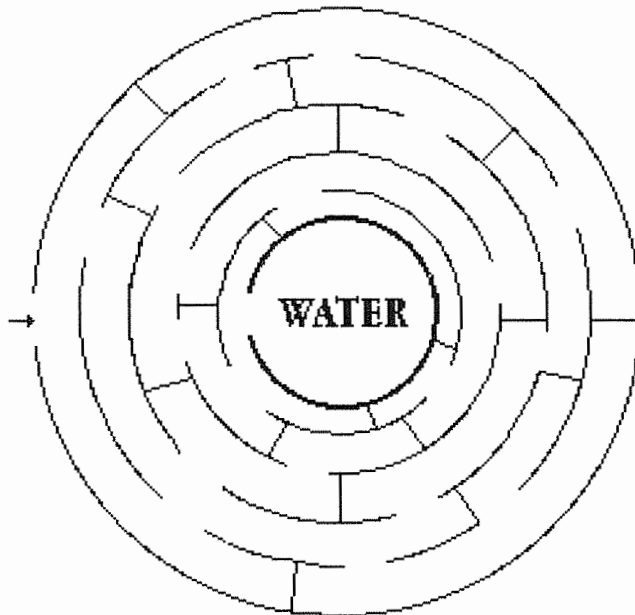
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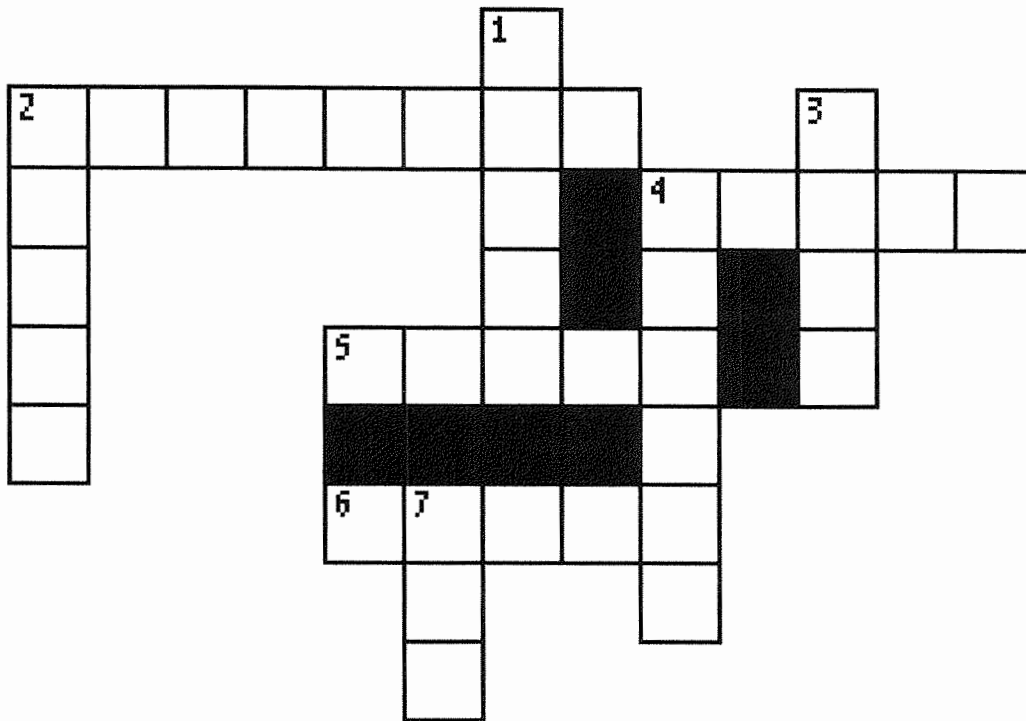
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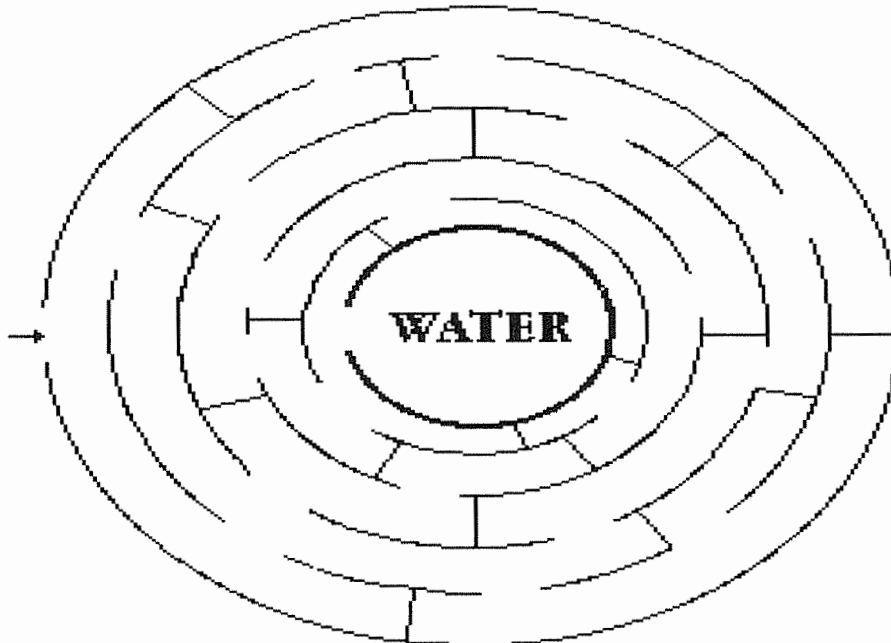
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