

Year 1

Week 48

Poisonous Snakes

Scriptures: Numbers 21

Key Verse: Numbers 21:8 Then the Lord said to Moses, “Make a fiery serpent, and set it on a pole and it shall be that everyone who is bitten, when he looks at it, shall live.”

Key Points:

- 1.** The children of Israel were very discouraged and unappreciative in their attitude. They accused Moses and said they did not have food or water. They also said they hated the manna that God was providing for their food (angels' food).
- 2.** God sent poisonous serpents into the camp and they bit many of them and they died.
- 3.** The people admitted that they had sinned against Moses and God. They repented and asked Moses to pray to God for the snakes' removal from the camp.
- 4.** God instructed Moses what to do to remedy the snake bites. God told Moses to make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole. He crafted one out of bronze and lifted it up on a pole. Everyone who was bitten by a poisonous snake and looked on the bronze serpent was saved!

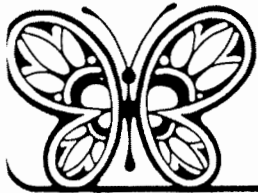
Who Am I?

Draw a line from the question to the name in the box that answers it.

Moses	Aaron	Israelite
Jesus	fiery serpent	Eleazar

1. I died on Mount Hor. Who am I?
2. I am the son of Aaron and I became high priest. Who am I?
3. The Israelites spoke against God and me. Who am I?
4. God sent me to punish the Israelites. Who am I?
5. I am one of many who looked at the brass serpent and lived. Who am I?
6. I am the one that you must look to today, if you want to be saved. Who am I?

Memory Verse Numbers 21:7a
Therefore the people came to Moses, and said,
We have _____, for we have spoken
against the _____, and against
_____.



The Israelites Are Saved

Numbers 20:22 - 21:9



The Israelites disobeyed God many times. One of the times they had displeased God. He told them they would have to wander in the wilderness for forty years.

While they were wandering, the Israelites came to Mount Hor. It was on this mountain that God chose a new high priest, Eleazar, to serve Him. It was also here that Aaron died. Aaron had served God for many years, but he died before he could go into the land of Canaan, because he had disobeyed God.

After the Israelites left Mount Hor, they began to talk against God and Moses. God punished them for speaking against Him and for not being thankful for all He had done for them. He sent fiery serpents to bite them and many Israelites died.

Finally, when the Israelites knew they had done wrong and were sorry, God told Moses to make a serpent out of brass and put it on a pole. All who looked at the brass serpent were saved.



Fill in the blanks.

1. When we disobey God, it is called a _____.
2. To be saved, we must look to _____.

THE BRONZE SERPENT

(NUMBERS 21:4-9)

MEMORY VERSE:

"And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up." JOHN 3:14

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD:

1. The children of Israel "journeyed from Mount Hor by the Way of the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; and the soul of the people became very (**DISCOURAGED, ENCOURAGED**) on the way." **NUMBERS 21:4**

FILL IN THE BLANKS:

2. "And the people spoke against _____ and against _____: 'Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no _____ and no _____, and our soul loathes this worthless _____.'" **NUMBERS 21:5**

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD:

3. "So the LORD sent fiery (**RATS, SERPENTS**) among the people, and they bit the people; and many of the people of Israel died." **NUMBERS 21:6**

TRUE OR FALSE:

4. "Therefore 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.'" **NUMBERS 21:7**

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5. But Moses would not pray to the LORD for the people. **NUMBERS 21:7**

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CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORDS:

6. "Then the LORD said to Moses, 'Make a fiery serpent, and set it on a pole; and it shall be that everyone who is bitten, when he (**LOOKS, WORKS**) at it, shall live.'" **NUMBERS 21:8**
7. "So Moses made a bronze serpent, and put it on a pole; and so it was, if a serpent had bitten anyone, when he looked at the bronze serpent, he (**LIVED, DIED**).'" **NUMBERS 21:9**

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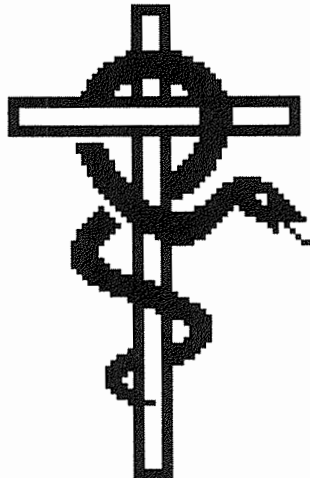
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 - d. all of the above

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