



At-A-Glance: Ages 10-12  
God of Wonders Part 2: Genesis - Joshua  
Unit 9, Lesson 43

## God Sends Manna and Quail

**Lesson Aim:** To keep a thankful, hopeful attitude knowing God sends us what we need.

### THE WELCOME

**MEET & GREET:** What do you want God to send you?

**GAME:** What Is It?

### THE WORSHIP THE GOD WHO SENDS

Read Worship Scripture: Exodus 25:30.

Sing songs and worship God.

Bless and collect the offering.

Perform High Seas Adventures script or read storybook.

### THE WORD GOD SENDS MANNA AND QUAIL

Children sign note cards; place in Golden Bowl. Classroom Covenant.

Review: God parted the Red Sea to save His people.

Point to Moses (Circa 1500 B.C.). **After crossing the Red Sea, God's people wandered in the desert wilderness for forty years. Today, that desert is called the Sinai Peninsula.** Point to the Sinai Peninsula. **Let's read about a miracle for those forty years.** Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: Exodus 16:2-5, 8-14, 29-32, 35; Deuteronomy 8:1-3. Find It First. Highlight Key Verse: Exodus 16:8. Pray. Read.

### THE WAY GRUMBLING AGAINST GOD

**Let's enjoy something that tastes a bit like manna may have tasted.** Give each child a small handful of "manna." Bless the food.

**What did the Lord hear from the Israelites shortly after He parted the Red Sea and freed them from slavery?** (Grumbling.) **Instead of grumbling, what could the hungry Israelites have done?** (Asked God for food.) **When they grumbled against Moses, whom did the Lord say they were actually grumbling against?** (Against Him.) **How does it feel to know God hears our complaints as grumbings against Him?**

**What do you grumble or complain about? How is that the same as grumbling against God? Who is in control over everything you might**

**grumble about?** (God.) **What is a better choice than grumbling?**

**Why do you think it was important that God's solution to their hunger was a miracle they had never seen before? How does this miracle show you God can do more than we could ask or imagine?**

**What did the Lord say He was teaching the people through giving them the manna?** ("Man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord.") **How many years did God provide manna in the desert wilderness?** (Forty.) **How might the daily gathering of manna have brought each person closer to God?**

**Why do you think it was important for God to give the people a way to remember the manna He provided for forty years? How might it prevent grumbling to remember God's faithfulness in sending us what we need?** Give each child a manna flake. Display the Miracle Memory Jar. **As we pass the Miracle Memory Jar, name one thing you have needed that God has sent to you. Place your manna in the jar so we can see all God has provided for us.**

### **CHRIST CONNECTION:**

**1500 years later, Paul explains the right choice we can make instead of grumbling when we are anxious or upset.** Reveal Philippians 4:4-8. Find It First. Highlight. Read.

**Just as prayer is a choice, grumbling is also a choice. Both choices directly affect our relationship with God. Let's take 7 seconds of silence now to remove our grumbling habits and replace them with thankful hopeful attitudes.** Pray. **Next time you are tempted to grumble, choose instead to pray and consider the good things God can do in your situation.**

**THE GOLDEN BOWL:** Pray for individuals. Pray the Lord's Prayer.

### **FINAL FIVE MINUTES:**

- TREASURE TREAT: Miracle Memory Jar with Bible Memory Verse
- W<sup>3</sup> BETWEEN THE LINES Journal Entry #43
- OFFERING OF ART: People gathering flakes of manna
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

### GOT TIME?

**SNACK:** Manna from God

**GAME:** Missing Manna

**DISCUSSION:** Grumbling at God

**CRAFT:** Miracle Frame

**BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES:** The Wave, Manna Scrambler

**BIBLE TIMELINE REVIEW**