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God Talk At Home

This Week's Kingdom Quest Lesson:

Rescue Us From Whining

Take Home Point:

Don't whine. Be thankful!

Drive Time Home

Tickler Question: What did the snake on the pole represent to the Israelites? *(It represented Jesus sent to be our rescuer.)*

God Time at Home

Select questions and adapt for your family.

FOR STARTERS: A whine is a complaint that sounds irritating on other people's ears. Make a family list of the top five whines heard in your house. These can be whines from adults and kids alike. Encourage all to admit their whining and recognize how negative it may sound to those who hear it.

READ THE BIBLE: Read about the bronze serpent from Numbers 21:4-9.

KEY VERSES: John 3:14-15: *"As Moses lifted up the snake on a pole in the desert, so the Son of Man (Jesus) must be lifted up. Then everyone who believes in him will have eternal life."*

TALK ABOUT IT: Why did the Israelites complain? *(Numbers 21:5. They were tired of manna.)* What happened when they complained? *(Numbers 21:6. God sent snakes to bite them. They became sick and some died.)* Why did God save them? *(Numbers 21:7-8. The people admitted they had sinned and asked Moses to pray for them.)* What did the people have to do to be saved? *(Numbers 21:9. They had to look up at the bronze snake Moses made and put on a pole.)* Why was God so angry with the people and their complaining? *(Because complaining against Moses was like complaining against God. They were forgetting to be thankful for all God had provided for them.)*

Why does God want us to be thankful? *(Because he wants us to remember that he provides us with all we need.)* What is the best gift God could give us? *(The gift of his Son Jesus. Because of him, we have eternal life in heaven.)*

PRAYER POWER: Pray to be thankful instead of whining, because whining is complaining against God. Pray that the cross would be a reminder of how much Jesus did for us. He gives us eternal life when we look to him and believe in him, and for that we can be most thankful.

Family Time Option

One day this week, try...

Remember the top whines in your house? Now make a list of the top 10 blessings you have received as a family. Keep this list handy so that through the week it can be given to any family member who is whining and needs help remembering to be thankful.

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