

Unit 4 at a Glance

Egypt to Canaan

Unit Overview

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Unit Goals

- The students will learn that God expressed his love for Israel in powerful ways.
- The students will understand that God expects and blesses complete obedience.
- The students will understand that God wants to protect and rescue them.

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Lesson 1 Israel in Egypt

Scripture Memory Verse

Matthew 6:33

God's power to rescue is the focus of Israel in Egypt. The students will describe the ways God showed his power to Israel as they think of the love he had for his people. Finally, the students will consider God's love for them and his ability to take care of them.

Lesson 2 Israel in the Desert

Scripture Memory Verse

Philippians 2:14-15

Thrilling and breathtaking describe the events surrounding Israel's exodus out of Egypt and entrance into the desert. The students will be faced with the question of why God's people complained so quickly after their dramatic delivery out of slavery, as they consider the kind of attitude God wants them to have.

Lesson 3 Israel at Mount Sinai

Scripture Memory Verse

Exodus 33:11

Moses begins this lesson with a mountaintop experience with God as he receives the Ten Commandments. However, it ends abruptly with the news of the people's gross idolatry and unfaithfulness. Moses deals strongly with their sin, calling the students to think of ways that they will be willing to love and obey God.

Lesson 4 Exploring the Land

Scripture Memory Verse

Numbers 14:24

This is a story of one man's great faith in a crowd of doubt and fear. The students will describe the reports about the exploration of Canaan as they consider Caleb's different and faithful spirit. They will consider how God feels about faithlessness and how they can be faithful in challenging situations.

Lesson 5 Rebellion in the Wilderness

Scripture Memory Verse

Hebrews 13:7

Grumbling and complaining had a tragic and painful price for the people of Israel. The students will describe the reasons and consequences of Israel's rebellion against God and his leaders. They will consider their own lives and give reasons why they should trust the leaders God has chosen.

Lesson 6 Prepared to Enter

Scripture Memory Verse

Deuteronomy 4:9

Moses prepares for his own death as he powerfully prepares Israel's next generation for the promised land. In a compelling retelling of their forty years of wandering, Moses pleads with the people to never forget what God has done for them. The students will explain

why God wants us to always be prepared as they describe the things that God has done for them.

Lesson 7 Entering Canaan

Scripture Memory Verse

Joshua 1:9

God heralds Joshua's leadership and the delivery of Israel into the promised land as he stops the flow of the Jordan to let his people cross over on dry ground. The students will describe this memorable passage and think about God's plans to make them strong and courageous.

Lesson 8 Conquering Canaan

Scripture Memory Verse

Unit Review

God continues to teach Joshua and the people some powerful and painful lessons through the battles of Jericho and Ai. The students will be faced with the question of why God expects and blesses complete obedience, as they consider ways they will be completely obedient this week.



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Dear Parent,

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Bringing It Home

Here are some easy ways to help reinforce these lessons at home:

- Talk about ways that God has displayed his power in your lifetime. Tell your child about ways that God has moved in history to open doors for the gospel around the world.
- Have a family devotional on “Never Forget” from Deuteronomy 4:9. Make an “Alphabet List” of things that God has done in your family—each thing beginning with a letter from A to Z—that you never want to forget. Display it in a place where others can see it.
- Think of some people who are going through some difficult situations and make a “Powerful Plan” to show them God's love through your family.
- Encourage your child to write a report or do a research project about “Why I Admire Moses” for extra credit in school. Help your child find scriptures in Exodus and Deuteronomy. Use this as an opportunity to share with your child's teachers about the Bible class at church.
- Take time to review the Scripture Memory Verses with your child each week—inspire your child by taking the time to learn and memorize them too!

We look forward to being partners with you to help your child grow to know and love God more.

Thank you,

Your child's teachers