



## Look at Jesus

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### Numbers 21:4-9

From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. And the people spoke against God and against Moses, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food.” Then the Lord sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. And 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.” So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, “Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live.” So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

1) The Israelites grew \_\_\_\_\_ along the way.

The Israelites encountered a \_\_\_\_\_. When they did, they became \_\_\_\_\_ about it.

When the Israelites went around Edom, they would find themselves in \_\_\_\_\_ desert conditions.

When the Israelites spoke against Moses – and even the Lord Himself – it exposed not only their ingratitude and discontentment; it revealed their utter \_\_\_\_\_.

In response to the Israelites’ rebellious complaints, the Scripture says that the Lord sent \_\_\_\_\_ snakes among them.

2) The Israelites asked God to remove the \_\_\_\_\_ of their sin.

Scholars estimate that about \_\_\_\_\_ Israelites were traveling together in the wilderness.

Scripture says that the Creator of all life is also the great judge of all life, for God is \_\_\_\_\_ ... God is \_\_\_\_\_ ... and God is \_\_\_\_\_.

When the Israelites asked God to remove the consequences of their sin (the snakes), God did not grant their request. However, by way of His \_\_\_\_\_ and abounding \_\_\_\_\_, God provided a way for the Israelites to live instead of dying.

3) In order to live, the Israelites needed to exercise \_\_\_\_\_.

Lesson #1: God’s provision was very \_\_\_\_\_.

Lesson #2: Often when God does something, it is not just for the present, but God does it to point us to something that has \_\_\_\_\_ implications as well.

Reflection question: What is my response to God’s offer of \_\_\_\_\_ instead of death?

The next time we see emergency medical services pass us by, may we see something that God has redeemed for His purposes, and may we be reminded of what \_\_\_\_\_ has done for us.