



FOLLOW-UP MATERIAL



God Faithfully Provides—1

Dear Parents,

Tonight at Vacation Bible School, your child learned about **God's faithful provision**. Through a wagon-train story and the Bible account of the children of Israel in the wilderness, we discovered that God lovingly provides for His people — even when they fail to recognize His goodness.

Bible Story Focus

Exodus 16; Numbers 11

God provided:

- Manna from heaven every morning
- Quail for meat
- Daily care for His people

Though the Israelites sometimes complained, God remained faithful.

★ **Memory Verse: Psalm 136:1 (KJV)**

“O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever.”

♥ **What We Learned**

- God provides for our needs every day
- Complaining dishonors God
- Gratitude pleases God
- Every blessing comes from His loving care

Family Discussion Starters

Ask your child:

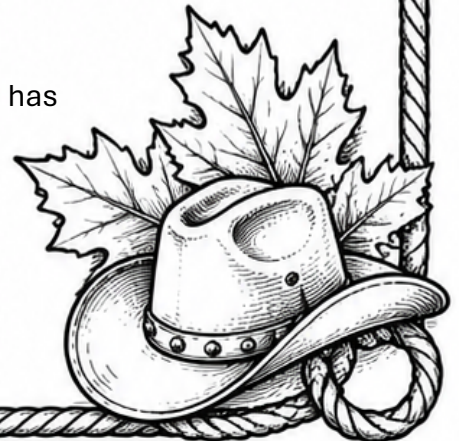
- What food did God give the Israelites?
- Why did they sometimes complain?
- What are some things God provides for our family?
- How can we show thankful hearts?

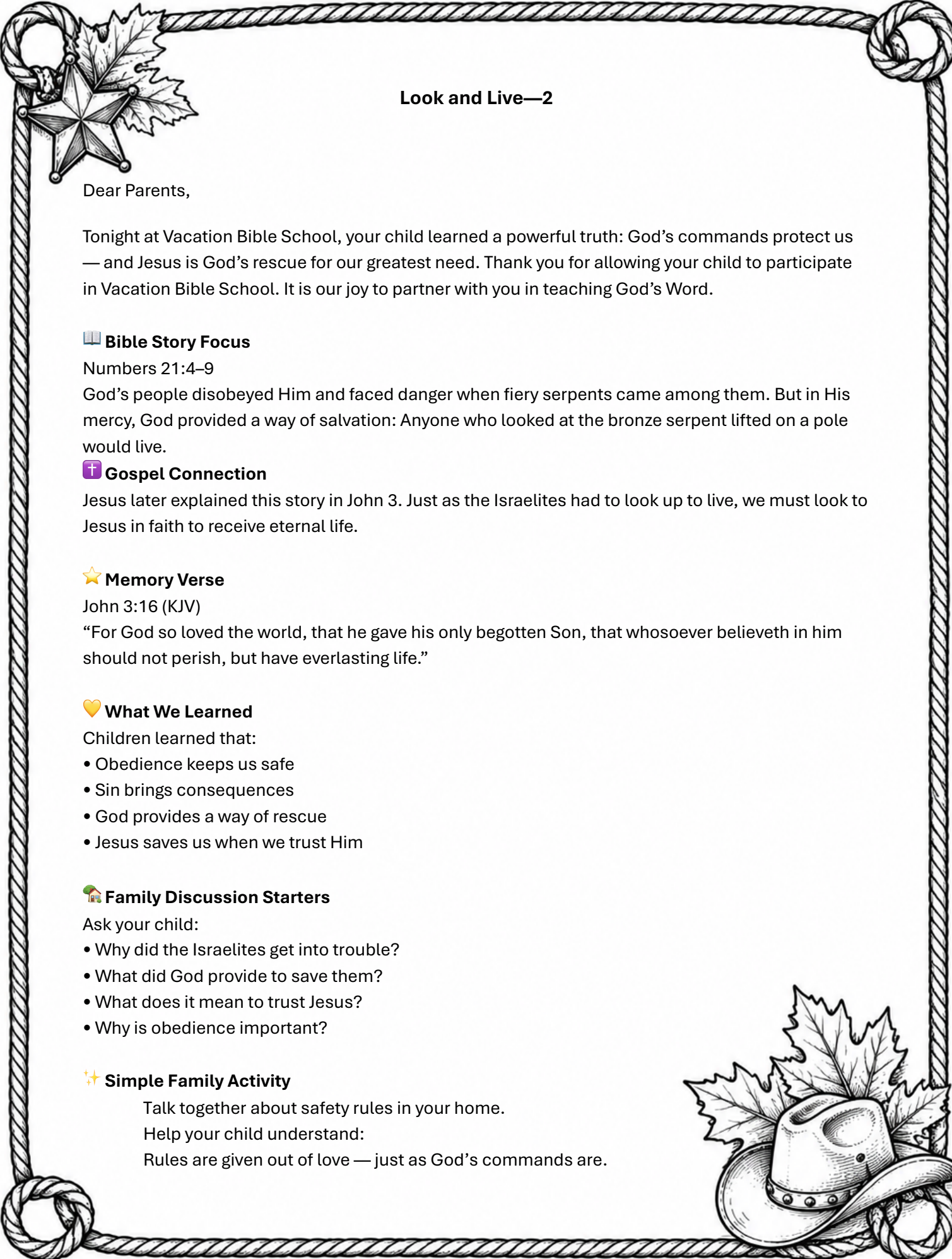
✨ **Simple Family Activity**

At dinner this week, take turns sharing one thing you are thankful God has provided that day.

Remind your child:

A thankful heart brings joy to God





Look and Live—2

Dear Parents,

Tonight at Vacation Bible School, your child learned a powerful truth: God's commands protect us — and Jesus is God's rescue for our greatest need. Thank you for allowing your child to participate in Vacation Bible School. It is our joy to partner with you in teaching God's Word.

Bible Story Focus

Numbers 21:4–9

God's people disobeyed Him and faced danger when fiery serpents came among them. But in His mercy, God provided a way of salvation: Anyone who looked at the bronze serpent lifted on a pole would live.

Gospel Connection

Jesus later explained this story in John 3. Just as the Israelites had to look up to live, we must look to Jesus in faith to receive eternal life.

Memory Verse

John 3:16 (KJV)

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.”

What We Learned

Children learned that:

- Obedience keeps us safe
- Sin brings consequences
- God provides a way of rescue
- Jesus saves us when we trust Him

Family Discussion Starters

Ask your child:

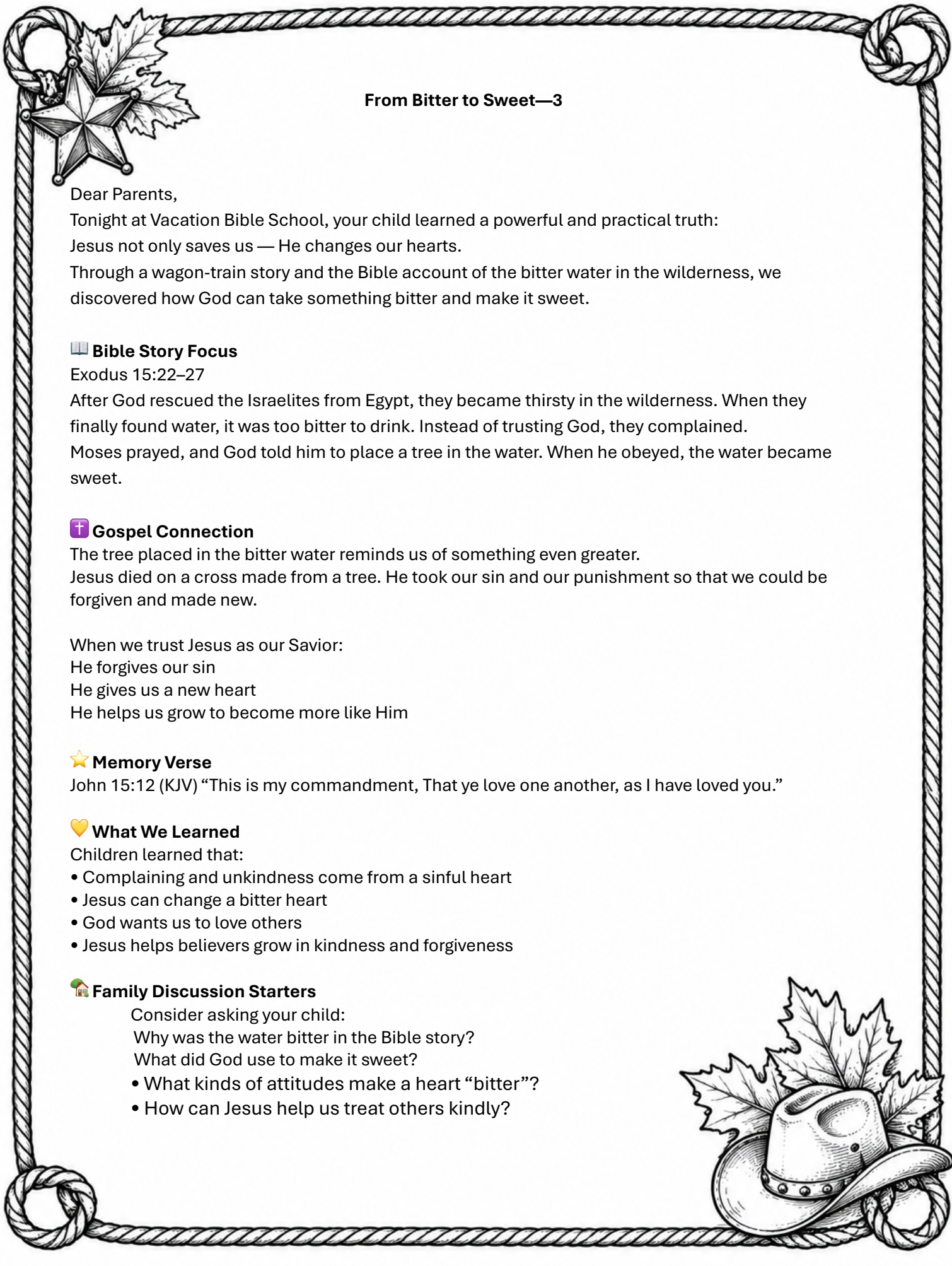
- Why did the Israelites get into trouble?
- What did God provide to save them?
- What does it mean to trust Jesus?
- Why is obedience important?

Simple Family Activity

Talk together about safety rules in your home.

Help your child understand:

Rules are given out of love — just as God's commands are.



From Bitter to Sweet—3

Dear Parents,

Tonight at Vacation Bible School, your child learned a powerful and practical truth:

Jesus not only saves us — He changes our hearts.

Through a wagon-train story and the Bible account of the bitter water in the wilderness, we discovered how God can take something bitter and make it sweet.

Bible Story Focus

Exodus 15:22–27

After God rescued the Israelites from Egypt, they became thirsty in the wilderness. When they finally found water, it was too bitter to drink. Instead of trusting God, they complained.

Moses prayed, and God told him to place a tree in the water. When he obeyed, the water became sweet.

Gospel Connection

The tree placed in the bitter water reminds us of something even greater.

Jesus died on a cross made from a tree. He took our sin and our punishment so that we could be forgiven and made new.

When we trust Jesus as our Savior:

He forgives our sin

He gives us a new heart

He helps us grow to become more like Him

Memory Verse

John 15:12 (KJV) “This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you.”

What We Learned

Children learned that:

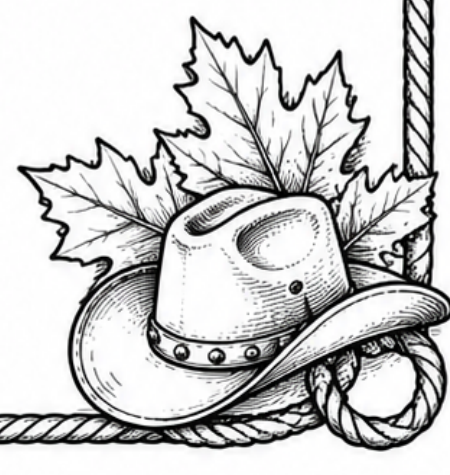
- Complaining and unkindness come from a sinful heart
- Jesus can change a bitter heart
- God wants us to love others
- Jesus helps believers grow in kindness and forgiveness

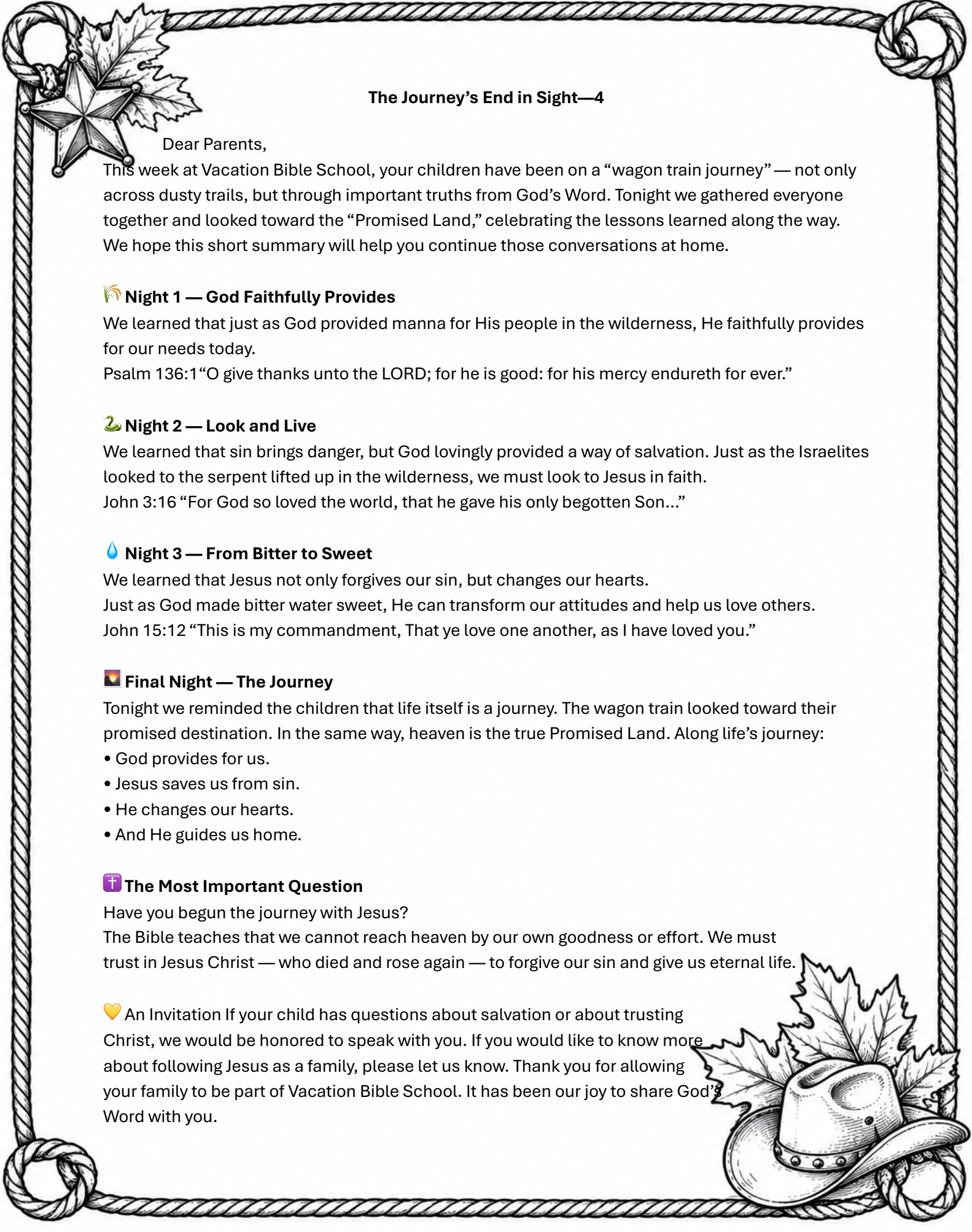
Family Discussion Starters

Consider asking your child:

Why was the water bitter in the Bible story?

What did God use to make it sweet?

- What kinds of attitudes make a heart “bitter”?
 - How can Jesus help us treat others kindly?
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The Journey's End in Sight—4

Dear Parents,

This week at Vacation Bible School, your children have been on a “wagon train journey” — not only across dusty trails, but through important truths from God’s Word. Tonight we gathered everyone together and looked toward the “Promised Land,” celebrating the lessons learned along the way. We hope this short summary will help you continue those conversations at home.

Night 1 — God Faithfully Provides

We learned that just as God provided manna for His people in the wilderness, He faithfully provides for our needs today.

Psalm 136:1 “O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever.”

Night 2 — Look and Live

We learned that sin brings danger, but God lovingly provided a way of salvation. Just as the Israelites looked to the serpent lifted up in the wilderness, we must look to Jesus in faith.

John 3:16 “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son...”

Night 3 — From Bitter to Sweet

We learned that Jesus not only forgives our sin, but changes our hearts.

Just as God made bitter water sweet, He can transform our attitudes and help us love others.

John 15:12 “This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you.”

Final Night — The Journey

Tonight we reminded the children that life itself is a journey. The wagon train looked toward their promised destination. In the same way, heaven is the true Promised Land. Along life’s journey:

- God provides for us.
- Jesus saves us from sin.
- He changes our hearts.
- And He guides us home.

The Most Important Question

Have you begun the journey with Jesus?

The Bible teaches that we cannot reach heaven by our own goodness or effort. We must trust in Jesus Christ — who died and rose again — to forgive our sin and give us eternal life.

 An Invitation If your child has questions about salvation or about trusting Christ, we would be honored to speak with you. If you would like to know more about following Jesus as a family, please let us know. Thank you for allowing your family to be part of Vacation Bible School. It has been our joy to share God’s Word with you.



The Journey Continues...

A 7-Day Family Devotional



Life is a journey—and Jesus is our Guide.

The Journey Continues

A 7-Day Family Devotional

DAY 1 — God Provides

 **Read: Psalm 136:1** “O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever.”

 **Think About It:** God provided food for the Israelites in the wilderness. He provides for us every day too — food, shelter, family, and most importantly, His love.

 **Talk Together:** What are three things God provided for our family today?

 **Prayer:** Dear Lord, thank You for caring for us every day. Help us to always remember Your goodness. Amen.

DAY 2 — We Need a Savior

 **Read: John 3:16**

 **Think About It:** Just as the Israelites had to look at the serpent to live, we must trust Jesus to save us from our sin.

 **Talk Together:** Why can't we save ourselves from sin?

 **Prayer:** Thank You, Jesus, for loving us and dying for our sins so we can have eternal life. Amen.

DAY 3 — Obedience Keeps Us Safe

 **Read: Ephesians 6:1** Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right.

 **Think About It:** God gives us rules to protect us, just like wagon-train rules kept travelers safe.

 **Talk Together:** What are some rules in our home that keep us safe?

 **Prayer:** Help us, Lord, to obey with cheerful hearts. Amen.

DAY 4 — From Bitter to Sweet

 **Read: Exodus 15:25 (part).** "...the LORD shewed him a tree..."

 **Think About It:** God turned bitter water sweet —and Jesus can change our hearts too.

 **Talk Together:** What kinds of attitudes make our hearts "bitter"?

 **Prayer:** Jesus, please help us choose kindness and forgiveness. Amen.

DAY 5 — Love One Another

 **Read: John 15:12,** "This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you."

 **Think About It:** Jesus wants us to treat others with the same love He shows us.

 **Talk Together:** How can we show love to someone today?

 **Prayer:** Help us love others the way You love us, Lord. Amen.

DAY 6 — Jesus Guides Our Journey

 **Read: Psalm 32:8** "I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go..."

 **Think About It:** Life is like a journey. Jesus is the Guide who shows us the right path.

 **Talk Together:** How can we follow Jesus each day?

 **Prayer:** Lord, please guide our family and help us follow You. Amen.

DAY 7 — Our Promised Land

 **Read: John 14:2-3 (part)** “I go to prepare a place for you...”

 **Think About It:** Heaven is our true Promised Land — and Jesus is preparing a place for those who trust Him.

 **Talk Together:** What do you think heaven will be like?

 **Prayer:** Thank You, Jesus, for the promise of heaven. Help us live for You each day. Amen.

FINAL FAMILY CHALLENGE

End the week by asking: “What has our family learned about God this week?”
Encourage children to share their favorite lesson from VBS.

Life is a journey — and Jesus is our Guide.

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★ FOLLOW HIM. TRUST HIM. LIVE FOR HIM. ★
SÍGUELO. CONFÍA EN ÉL. VIVE PARA ÉL.

THE JOURNEY CONTINUES

A 7-Day Devotional for Teens

DAY 1 — God Provides

 **Read: Psalm 136:1 (KJV)**

“O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever.”

 **Think**

- The Israelites had to trust God daily for food.
- Not weekly. Not long-term. Daily.
- God often works the same way in our lives.
- He doesn’t always give us everything we want ahead of time...
- but He gives us what we need—when we need it.

 **Ask Yourself**

- Do I recognize God’s provision in my life?
- Or do I focus more on what I don’t have?
- What have I complained about recently?

 **Write:** List 3 things God provided for you today.

 **Pray:** “Lord, help me see what You’ve given me and not take it for granted.”

DAY 2 — Sin Has Consequences

 **Read: Numbers 21:5–6**

 **Think**

- The Israelites didn’t just complain—they spoke against God.
- And there were consequences.
- Sin isn’t harmless. It always leads somewhere

 **Ask Yourself**

- What is one area where I ignore God’s warnings
- Have I minimized sin in my life?
- What consequences have I already seen?

 **Write:** Be honest: What is one choice you know is wrong?

 **Pray:** “Lord, help me take sin seriously and turn from it.”

DAY 3 — Jesus Saves

 **Read: John 3:14–16 (KJV)**

Think

- The people had to look at the serpent to live.
- They couldn't fix themselves.
- They had to believe.

Ask Yourself

- Have I personally trusted Christ?
- Am I depending on Him—or myself?
- Do I understand what He did for me?

 **Write:** Write what it means (in your own words) that Jesus died for you.

 **Pray:** “Jesus, thank You for making a way for me to be saved.”

DAY 4 — From Bitter to Changed

 **Read: Exodus 15:23–25**

Think

- The water was bitter—until God changed it.
- Our hearts can become the same way.
- Bitterness doesn't fix anything—it spreads

Ask Yourself

- Is there someone I'm bitter toward?
- What situation have I not let go of?
- How has that affected me?

 **Write:** Name one area of bitterness honestly.

 **Pray:** “Lord, I can't change my heart—but You can. Please help me.”

DAY 5 — Love Like Jesus

 **Read: John 15:12 (KJV)**

“This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you.”

Think

- Jesus didn't love when it was easy.
- He loved when it cost Him everything.

Ask Yourself

- Who is hardest for me to love?
- How would Jesus treat that person?
- What would it look like for me to do the same?

 **Write:** One specific way you can show love this week.

 **Pray:** "Lord, help me love others the way You love me."

DAY 6 — Let God Guide You

 **Read: Psalm 119:105 (KJV)**

"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path."

Think

- God doesn't always show the whole path.
- But He always gives enough light for the next step

Ask Yourself

- Am I letting God's Word guide my decisions?
- What influences me more—God's truth or others' opinions?
- When was the last time I read my Bible on my own?

 **Write:** What is one next step God wants you to take?

 **Pray:** "Lord, help me follow Your direction, even when I don't see everything ahead."

DAY 7 — Follow the Right Guide

 **Read: John 14:6 (KJV)**

"I am the way, the truth, and the life..."

Think

- Everyone is on a path.
- But not every path leads to the right destination.

Ask Yourself

- Who or what is guiding my life right now?
- Where is that direction leading me?

- Am I truly following Jesus?

✍️ **Write:** Finish this sentence honestly:

“I need to start...” or “I need to change...”

🙏 **Pray:** “Jesus, I want You to guide my life. Help me follow You.”

✨ **FINAL THOUGHT: Life is a journey.**

Jesus is the only true Guide. Follow Him.



Dear _____ & Family,

We loved having you with us at Vacation Bible School!

This week we learned:

-  **God** faithfully provides.
-  **Jesus** saves us from sin.
-  He changes our hearts.
-  And **He** guides us home.

Life is a journey—and the most important step is beginning it **with Jesus**.

A Question to Think About:
If you have trusted Jesus as your Savior, keep growing!
Read your Bible. Pray. Love others. Stay close to Him.
If you still have questions, we would be honored to talk with you.

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We Woud Love to See You Again!

Join us this Sunday at:
Church Name
• Service Times
Website or Contact Info

It was wonderful having you in my class!
—Mrs. _____

El Viaje Continúa...

¡Gracias por acompañarnos en nuestro
viaje en carreta durante la
Escuela Bíblica de Vacaciones!



“Sígueme.” — Jesús

Estimado(a) _____ y familia,

¡Nos encantó tenerlos con nosotros en la
Escuela Bíblica de Vacaciones!

Esta semana aprendimos que:

- 🌿 Dios provee fielmente.
- ✝️ Jesús nos salva del pecado.
- 💧 Él transforma nuestros corazones.
- ☀️ Y Él nos guía a nuestro hogar celestial.

La vida es un viaje, y el paso más
importante es comenzar ese viaje
con **Jesús**.

Una pregunta para reflexionar:

Si ya ha confiado en Jesús como su Salvador,
¡siga creciendo en Él!

Lea su Biblia. Ore. Ame a los demás.
Permanezca cerca del Señor.

Si todavía tiene preguntas acerca de Jesús
o de la salvación, será un privilegio
conversar con usted.

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Fue una alegría
tenerle en mi clase.

— Sra. _____