

## **SMALL GROUP RESOURCE**

Big Idea: God teaches His people.

### **SCRIPTURE READINGS:**

Exodus 16  
Exodus 32,33  
Numbers 11  
Numbers 13  
Deuteronomy 8

### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

What is the last thing you grumbled about?

#### **Exodus 16**

Why were the Israelites grumbling?  
Why did God choose to feed the Israelites with manna?  
How were manna and the Sabbath observance related?  
What were the people to learn from this?  
When you are in a wilderness time of life, what does God want you to learn?

#### **Deuteronomy 8**

Why did the Israelites spend 40 years in the wilderness?  
(see Numbers 13)  
What was God doing during this 40 years?  
How does the experience of the Israelites in the wilderness compare to our lives as Christians here on earth?  
Are you still wandering in the wilderness or have you entered the Promised Land?  
What is God trying to teach you?  
  
What is the greatest temptation of the Promised Land?

### **PRAYER FOCUS:**

Thank God for supplying your needs.  
Remember demonstrations of  
God's faithfulness and thank Him for them.  
Ask for courage to follow where God leads you.  
Ask for a strong sense of God's presence.  
Acknowledge the discipline required for growth.

## **FAMILY RESOURCE**

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### **READ NUMBERS 13:1-2 & 17-20**

What were the men to look for?  
Why do you think they were sent?  
Pick a country and use the net, maps, library, etc.  
to find out more about it.

### **READ NUMBERS 13:23-29**

What did they find?  
Does it sound like a place you'd like to live?  
Make a fruit salad.

### **READ NUMBERS 13:30-14:9**

How did the people react to what the men found?  
Who trusted God? Who didn't?  
Why should the people have trusted God?  
Draw some pictures of what God has done to show  
that you can trust Him.

### **READ NUMBERS 14:26-35**

What happens because the people don't trust God?  
What do you think their next 40 years will be like?  
Discuss what you think God could/should have done?  
Does the "punishment" fit the "crime"?

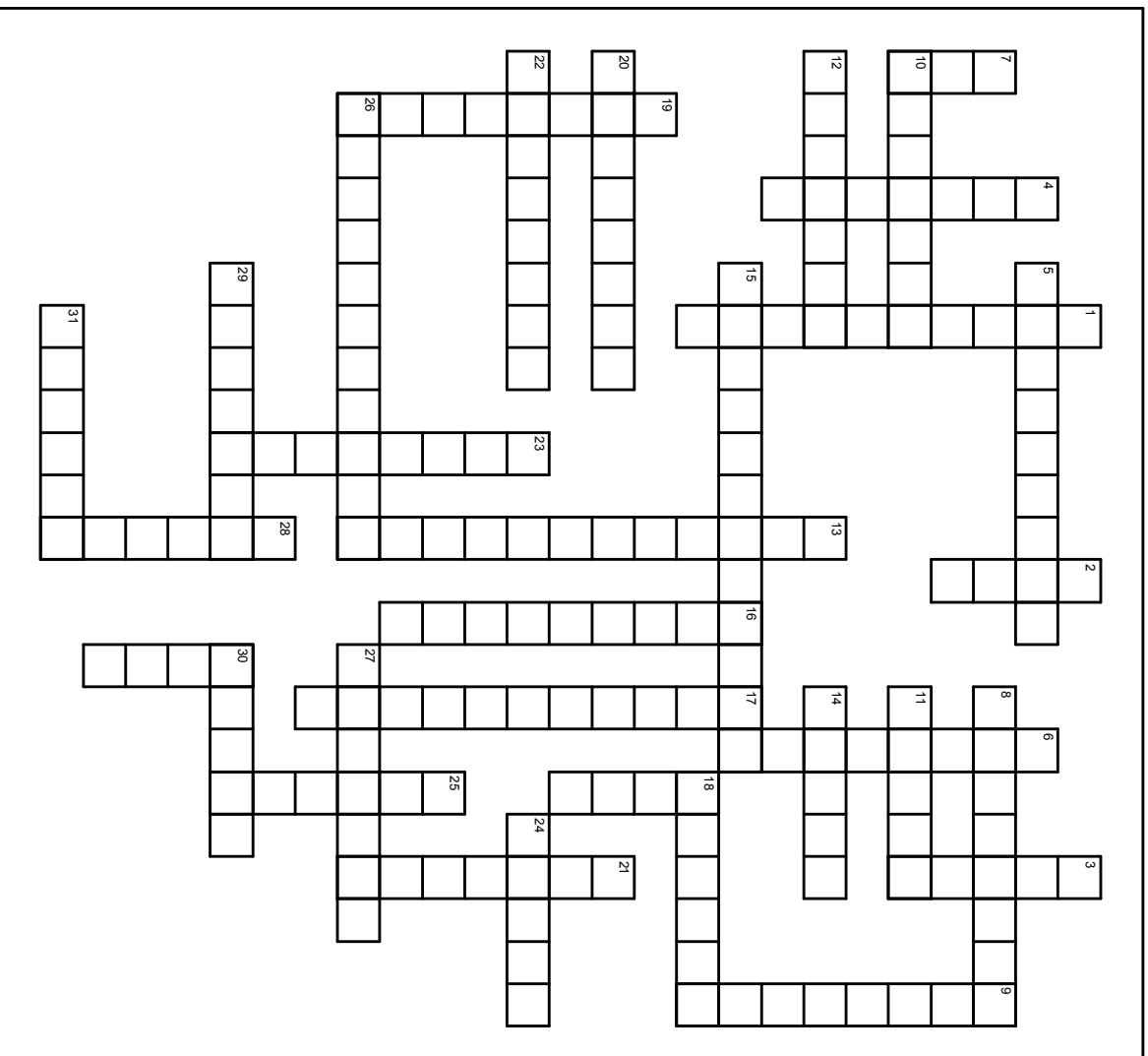
### **READ DEUTERONOMY 8:2-18**

Why did God lead the people through the wilderness?  
What did God provide/do for the people?  
When you are disciplined by your parents,  
what is it that they want you to learn?  
Make a list of your household "do's & don'ts"  
and the consequences and privileges that go with them.

### **MEMORY VERSE:**

"Your \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_."  
\_\_\_\_\_ me \_\_\_\_\_  
Psalm 119:73

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## Across

5. with defense walls (Numbers 13:19)
8. honoring and fearing (Deuteronomy 8:6)
10. look around (Numbers 13:2)
11. it comes from bees (Numbers 13:27)
12. these lasted a long time (Deuteronomy 8:4)
14. he was leading God's people (Numbers 13:1)
15. red fruit with lots of seeds inside (Numbers 13:23)
18. evil (Numbers 14:26)
20. don't forget (Deuteronomy 8:2)
22. strong (Numbers 13:28)
24. think too much of yourself (Deuteronomy 8:14)
26. guides and teaches (Deuteronomy 8:5)
27. things taken during a war (Numbers 14:3)
29. group (Numbers 13:23)
30. food God gave them (Deuteronomy 8:3)
31. teach you to submit (Deuteronomy 8:2)

## Down

1. ownership (Numbers 13:30)
2. these didn't swell up (Deuteronomy 8:4)
3. # of days they looked around (Numbers 13:25)
4. opportunity and skills (Deuteronomy 8:18)
6. poisonous (Deuteronomy 8:15)
7. this will happen to those who didn't trust God (Numbers 14:35)
9. complained (Numbers 14:2)
13. small jumping bugs (Numbers 13:33)
16. family (Numbers 13:2)
17. very, very (Numbers 14:7)
18. cried (Numbers 14:1)
19. told (Numbers 13:26)
21. good for growing things (Numbers 13:20)
23. agreement (Deuteronomy 8:18)
25. the land God promised them (Numbers 13:2)
28. honor and thank (Deuteronomy 8:10)
30. it comes from a cow or goat (Numbers 13:27)

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Moses	explore	Canaan	ancestral	fortified
fertile	cluster	pomegranates	forty	reported
milk	honey	powerful	possession	grasshoppers
wept	grumbled	plunder	exceedingly	wicked
die	remember	humble	manna	clothes
feet	disciplines	revering	praise	proud
venomous	ability	covenant		

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2. ETPW                   -----
3. HYNQE                   -----
4. RLUPNED                   -----
5. ROTDPREE                   -----
6. SOSPNIEOSS                   -----
7. MNAAN                   -----
8. ILMK                   -----
9. PRELXEO                   -----
10. DOPRU                   -----
11. DLEXICEYNEG                   -----
12. SMSEO                   -----
13. CDSELPISIIN                   -----
14. EMLBUH                   -----
15. AACNNA                   -----
16. OTMNEREAAGPS                   -----
17. BRDLMGUE                   -----
18. SMOOEUNV                   -----
19. PIRAES                   -----
20. EFOITDRFI                   -----
21. RPPGROSSHASE                   -----
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27. UPLWOFFER                   -----
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32. BTLAYII                   -----
33. LCTRSEU                   -----