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2nd-4th GRADES

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In our lesson this week we'll see how Moses failed to give God the glory. We'll learn **what God did when Moses and the Israelites sinned against him.**

At Kadesh God gave the Israelites water out of a rock, but because Moses and Aaron sinned by not honoring God, God said that they (Moses and Aaron) would not enter the Promised Land (Canaan). Later, when the people complained again about being "sick of the manna" and not having food and water, God sent poisonous snakes. When the people repented of their sin of complaining against God, God told Moses to make a bronze snake and put it on a pole. If someone was bitten by a poisonous snake, God promised that if they look at the bronze snake on the pole that they would not die.

God disciplined Moses and Aaron by not letting them enter the Promised Land when they failed to give God the glory he deserved for providing water to the Israelites. He disciplined the Israelites when they again complained again about not having food and water and not being content with the food God had provided them. He sent the poisonous snakes into their camp. **Why does God discipline his people?** By disciplining this way, God was leading his people to repent.

Unscramble the words to complete the sentences:

To REPENT is

to be _____ for your sins. (r y o r s)

to want to _____ sinning. (o p t s)

to trust in Jesus for _____. (s e n v i g r o f s e)

Just as God disciplined Moses and the Israelites to lead them to repent, when we sin and God disciplines us, he wants us to repent - to be sorry for our sins, to want to stop sinning and to trust in Jesus for forgiveness!!

God told the Israelites that if they were bitten by a poisonous snake and then looked to the bronze snake on the pole, they would not die. The Israelites trusted God and were saved from an earthly death from the poisonous snakes. Jesus saves us from an eternal death in hell, in our memory treasure below God promises that if we believe in Jesus, we will have eternal life:

John 3:16 **For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.**

God's blessings on your week!

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