

**1 – LESSON #45: Moses part 11 from Exodus 15 to 17**

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**Narrator #1:** The pillar of clouds by day and the pillar of fire by night led Moses and the Children of Israel, also called Israelites and Hebrews, through the desert.



**Narrator #2:** What is meant by the Children of Israel? Moses and all the thousands of people with him were the descendants of the 12 sons of Jacob, who was also called Israel.

**Narrator #1:** One day, as they tramped through the desert sands, they became so hot and thirsty.

**Narrator #2:** It felt like a long time since they had seen an oasis with trees and ponds of water.

**Narrator #1:** The Ringleaders, those loud, noisy troublemakers, began to whine and complain. They inspired many people to do the same.

**RINGLEADER #1: We are thirsty!** *(Group Repeats)*  
**We want water!** *(Group Repeats)*  
**Did you bring us here to die?** *(Group Repeats)*

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**MOSES: Quiet! Why are you complaining against me?  
And why are you testing the Lord?**

**RINGLEADER #2: Moses, you better give us water to  
drink! And do it quickly!**

**2nd Narrator:** Moses was probably also thirsty. He prayed to God, our Great Provider, to fix this problem.

**PRAYER**

**God**

**MOSES: Dear God, what should I do with these people?  
They are ready to stone me!**

**God**

**Father God:** Moses, walk out in front of the people. Take your staff, the one you used when you struck the water of the Nile. I will stand before you on the rock at Mount Sinai. Strike the rock, and water will come gushing out. Then the people will be able to drink.

**Narrator #1:** So Moses struck the rock with his shepherd's staff. Phew! Thank goodness! Water came gushing out.

**Narrator #2:** There was plenty of water for them all to drink.

**Narrator #1:** Even the Ringleaders calmed down. The Chant Leaders might have said:

**CHANT LEADER #1: Slurp-Slurp!**      *(Group Repeats)*  
**Yum-Yum!**      *(Group Repeats)*  
**That water is good!**      *(Group Repeats)*

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**CHANT LEADER #2: God is a great solver of problems!**

*(Group Repeats)*

**Thank you, God, for the water!** *(Group Repeats)*

**Narrator #2:** So now, not only did they get that sweet bread called Manna to eat every single day, God had a perfect way to provide water when there was no oasis in sight.

**Narrator #1:** Another day, the Ringleaders came up with something new to whine and complain about.

**RINGLEADER #1: Manna again? Boring!** *(Group Repeats)*

**RINGLEADER #2: We want some animal meat to eat!**  
*(Group Repeats)*

**Narrator #2:** The Chant Leaders, who had faith in God's ability to provide, might have tried to calm them down with these reminders.

**CHANT LEADER #1: Have faith in God!** *(Group Repeats)*  
**God is our provider!** *(Group Repeats)*

**CHANT LEADER #2: Always remember!** *(Group Repeats)*  
**God is good!** *(Group Repeats)*



**MOSES: Dear God, instead of being grateful for the Manna, the people are complaining again! What should I do?**

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**Father God:** Moses, I have heard the Israelites' complaints. Now tell them, 'In the evening you will have meat to eat, and in the morning you will have all the bread you want. Then you will know that I am the Lord your God.'

**Narrator #1:** That evening, vast numbers of Quail flew in and covered the camp. FYI – Quail are similar to small chickens.

**Narrator #2:** The people happily gathered them, cooked them, and ate them. Even the Ringleaders had something good to say.

**RINGLEADER #1: Yum-Yum!**  
**These Quails taste good!**

**RINGLEADER #2: They taste like yummy chicken!**

**Narrator #1:** The Chant Leaders were probably relieved that the Ringleaders were not complaining this time around. They might have said this.

**CHANT LEADER #1: Thank goodness God is patient!**  
*(Group Repeats)*

**CHANT LEADER #2: Thank goodness God is slow to anger!**  
*(Group Repeats)*

**CHANT LEADER #1: God is loving!** *(Group Repeats)*

**CHANT LEADER #2: God truly loves us!** *(Group Repeats)*

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**Narrator #2:** Early on, God had made this promise to the Children of Israel. He said:

**God**

**Father God:** If you will listen carefully to the voice of the Lord your God and do what is right in his sight, obeying His commands and keeping all His decrees, then I will not make you suffer any of the diseases I sent on the Egyptians; for I am the Lord who heals you.

**Narrator #1:** Hearing that, the Chant Leaders happily proclaimed these final words:

**CHANT LEADER #1: God is our healer! (Group Repeats)**  
**God is our provider! (Group Repeats)**

**CHANT LEADER #2: God is full of power! (Repeat)**  
**God is good! (Group Repeats)**

**Narrator #2: END OF SKIT.** Let's give our volunteers a great big hand!