

## God Delivers: The Wilderness Test Exodus 17:1-7

“Wilderness University”  
16:1-2, 8; 17:1-2

1. Do I believe I deserve God’s provision or believe in God’s grace? Exodus 17:1-2

- ~ Self-righteousness - Convinced of one's own righteousness, rights and worthiness.
- ~ Unbelief - Distrusting God and refusing to follow Him which leads to misplaced trust.

Jeremiah 2:13 – “My people have committed two sins: They have forsaken me, the spring of living water, and have dug their own cisterns, broken cisterns that cannot hold water.”

Isaiah 12:3 - “With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.”

Psalms 107:35 - “He turns a desert into pools of water, a parched land into springs of water.”

Hosea 6:3 - “... He will come to us like the rain, like the spring showers that water the land.”

John 7:37-38 - “If anyone is thirsty, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him.”

2. Do I believe God is good and with me at all times? Exodus 17:3-7

1 Kings 21:1-4 - “...Naboth...had a vineyard...beside the palace of Ahab king of Samaria. Ahab said, ‘Give me your vineyard’...But Naboth said...no...So Ahab went back into his palace resentful and angry...”

Philippians 4:11 - “...I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances.”

- i. I will trust God for my daily needs by putting Him and His Kingdom first.

Matthew 6:33 - “Seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.”

- ii. I will trust God for my deepest needs by believing that I am valuable to Him.

Matthew 6:26 - “Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they?”

- iii. I will trust God for my discipleship needs knowing He wants to make much of His name.

Matthew 7:7 - “Keep asking, and it will be given to you. Keep searching, and you will find. Keep knocking, and the door will be opened to you.”

## Faith Sheet

**Monthly Memory Verse** - John 5:24 – “I tell you the truth, whoever hears My word, and believes Him who sent Me, has eternal life, and will not be condemned...”

**Weekly Memory Verse** - John 4:24 - “God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.”

### **Reviewing this Past Sunday God Delivers: The Wilderness Test Exodus 17:1-7**

1. What are some ways we receive an education “informally,” or apart from schools and universities?
2. What are some life experiences that teach us things we cannot learn elsewhere?
3. When was the last time you grumbled about a situation in your life?
4. How is grumbling related to a sense of entitlement?
5. Do difficult circumstances cause us to have wrong attitudes and actions or do they merely reveal wrong attitudes and actions? Explain your answer.
6. We all grumble and complain. How does adding the words “against the Lord” after “grumble” or “complain” change our view of this attitude?
7. What impact should an eternal perspective have on our discipleship and proclaiming the gospel?

Philippians 2:14-15 - “Do all things without grumbling or disputing; so, that you will prove yourselves to be blameless and innocent, children of God above reproach in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you appear as lights in the world.”

### **Preparing for Next Sunday God Delivers: The Redeemer Reveals His Glory Exodus 32:1-14**

1. Read Exodus 32:1-14 and ask the Lord to reveal Himself and His truth.
2. HIGHLIGHT a verse or truth that stands out to you and write it out.
3. EXPLAIN the text in your own words to make sure you see the big picture of God’s Story. (Who wrote it and why? To whom it was written? What is the context? How does the text point to the Father, Son or Spirit? What is the text telling us about our new identity as believers in Christ or how we are to live?)
4. APPLY a truth from the text to your own life. (Focus on what God is saying to you and what is your response of obedience, confession, prayer, praise, giving thanks, etc.)
5. RESPOND in prayer and go apply what God reveals to you from the Scriptures.