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Daily Bible Readings for Home Study and Worship

(Readings are for the week previous to the lesson topics.)

1. September 6. God Provides Manna and Quail

M — God Provides Good Water. Ex. 15:22-27.
T — The True Bread of Life. John 6:41-51.
W — Do Not Grumble. I Cor. 10:1-12.
T — Remember God's Goodness. Deut. 8:10-18.
F — God Gives to His Children. Ps. 68:4-10.
S — God Meets Our Needs. Phil. 4:14-19.
S — God's Miraculous Provision. Ex. 16:2-15.

2. September 13. God Provides Water from a Rock

M — Stay True. Deut. 6:13-19.
T — Rivers of Living Water. John 7:37-39.
W — The Good Things God Does for Us. Ps. 103:1-7.
T — Worship the Lord Our Maker. Ps. 95:6-11.
F — Water from a Rock. Num. 20:1-11.
S — The Gift of Living Water. John 4:7-24.
S — Water in the Desert. Ex. 17:1-7.

3. September 20. God Gives Victory over the Amalekites

M — The Lord Reigns. Ps. 97:1-12.
T — Magnify the Lord Together. Ps. 34:1-7.
W — God's Judgments Are True. Rev. 19:1-5.
T — Praise for Deliverance. Ps. 18:46-50.
F — Make Haste to Help Me. Ps. 38:1-22.
S — Rest from Your Enemies. Deut. 25:17-19.
S — The War Against Amalek. Ex. 17:8-16.

4. September 27. God Provides Judges to Help Moses

M — Moses' Heavy Burden. Num. 11:11-17.
T — New Leaders Appointed. Deut. 1:9-18.
W — Teach Me Your Will. Ps. 143:1-10.
T — The Counsel of Barnabas. Acts 9:26-31.
F — Barnabas Looks for Saul. Acts 11:22-26.
S — Jethro Visits Moses. Ex. 18:1-12.
S — Sharing the Leadership Burden. Ex. 18:13-26.

5. October 4. God's First Instructions to Israel

M — God's Promise to Abram. Gen. 17:1-8.
T — God's Message to Moses. Ex. 6:1-8.
W — Instructions to the Israelites. Deut. 10:14-22.
T — God's Promises to His People. Deut. 28:7-14.
F — Believers—A Chosen People. I Pet. 2:4-10.
S — Called into One Body. Col. 3:15-17.
S — God Prepares His People. Ex. 19:1-9.

6. October 11. God Gives the Ten Commandments

M — The People Provoke God. Isa. 65:1-7.
T — New Commandments. Ex. 34:1-26.
W — Fulfillment of the Law. Matt. 5:17-48.
T — Dead to the Law. Rom. 7:1-25.
F — Love Fulfills the Law. Rom. 13:8-10.
S — God's Glory on Mount Sinai. Ex. 19:16-25.
S — God's Commandments. Ex. 20:1-17.

7. October 18. God Confirms the Covenant

M — The Covenant Renewed. Josh. 24:1-27.
T — A New Covenant Promised. Jer. 31:31-34.
W — The New Covenant Instituted. Matt. 26:27-29.

T — The Blood of the Covenant. Heb. 9:18-28.
F — An Irrevocable Covenant. Gal. 3:15-25.
S — Instructions for the Covenant People. Ex. 23:20-33.
S — Ratification of the Covenant. Ex. 24:1-11.

8. October 25. God Meets Moses Alone

M — Prepare to Meet God. Ex. 19:10-15.
T — Be Still Before God. Ps. 46:1-11.
W — Exalt the Lord Your God. Ps. 99:1-9.
T — The Heavenly Mount Zion. Heb. 12:18-29.
F — The Voice of the Lord. Ps. 29:1-11.
S — Jesus, the Express Image of God. Heb. 1:1-14.
S — Meeting God on the Mountain. Ex. 24:12-18.

9. November 1. The People Sin Against God

M — Despised and Rejected. Isa. 53:1-12.
T — The People Forget Their God. Ps. 106:19-23.
W — The People Reject God. Acts 7:39-43.
T — A Stiff-Necked People. Neh. 9:16-18.
F — Aaron's Sin Repeated. I Kgs. 12:25-30.
S — Rebellion in the Wilderness. Deut. 9:7-12.
S — The Golden Calf. Ex. 32:1-14.

10. November 8. God Confronts the Sin

M — Reward for Obedience. Lev. 26:1-13.
T — Punishment for Disobedience. Lev. 26:14-39.
W — Keep the Covenant. Deut. 29:9-15.
T — Delight in God's Law. Ps. 1:1-6.
F — Walk in God's Way. Ps. 119:1-8.
S — God's Anger Remembered. Deut. 9:13-21.
S — The Breaking of the Tablets. Ex. 32:15-24.

11. November 15. God Judges the Sin

M — The Guilty Will Be Punished. Nah. 1:2-6.
T — God's Wrath on Sin. Rev. 14:14-20.
W — The Righteous Judge. Ps. 7:6-17.
T — Israel's Treadmill of Sin. Judg. 2:12-23.
F — No One Is Righteous. Isa. 64:1-7.
S — Nothing Impure in God's Presence. Rev. 21:22-27.
S — A Plague of Judgment. Ex. 32:25-35.

12. November 22. Moses' Audacious Request

M — Isaiah Sees God's Glory. Isa. 6:1-5.
T — How Excellent Is His Name! Ps. 8:1-9.
W — God Makes Himself Known. Acts 17:22-31.
T — Created for His Glory. Isa. 43:1-7.
F — Filled with Glory and Power. Rev. 15:5-8.
S — Moses Intercedes with God. Deut. 9:22-29.
S — Moses Asks to See God's Glory. Ex. 33:12-23.

13. November 29. Moses Reflects God's Glory

M — God's Glory Seen in Heaven. Rev. 4:1-11.
T — To God Be Glory Forever. Rom. 11:33-36.
W — Sing a New Song. Ps. 96:1-13.
T — Declare God's Glory. I Chr. 16:23-36.
F — Jesus Reveals Divine Glory. Matt. 17:1-9.
S — The Veil Removed. II Cor. 3:7-18.
S — Moses' Face Shines. Ex. 34:27-35.

SCRIPTURE LESSON TEXT

EX. 16:2 And the whole congregation of the children of Israel murmured against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness:

3 And the children of Israel said unto them, Would to God we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the flesh pots, *and* when we did eat bread to the full; for ye have brought us forth into this wilderness, to kill this whole assembly with hunger.

4 Then said the LORD unto Moses, Behold, I will rain bread from heaven for you; and the people shall go out and gather a certain rate every day, that I may prove them, whether they will walk in my law, or no.

5 And it shall come to pass, that on the sixth day they shall prepare *that* which they bring in; and it shall be twice as much as they gather daily.

6 And Moses and Aaron said unto all the children of Israel, At even, then ye shall know that the LORD hath brought you out from the land of Egypt:

7 And in the morning, then ye shall see the glory of the LORD; for that he heareth your murmurings against the LORD: and what *are* we, that ye murmur against us?

8 And Moses said, *This shall be*, when the LORD shall give you in the evening flesh to eat, and in the morning bread to the full; for that

the LORD heareth your murmurings which ye murmur against him: and what *are* we? your murmurings *are* not against us, but against the LORD.

9 And Moses spake unto Aaron, Say unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, Come near before the LORD: for he hath heard your murmurings.

10 And it came to pass, as Aaron spake unto the whole congregation of the children of Israel, that they looked toward the wilderness, and, behold, the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud.

11 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

12 I have heard the murmurings of the children of Israel: speak unto them, saying, At even ye shall eat flesh, and in the morning ye shall be filled with bread; and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD your God.

13 And it came to pass, that at even the quails came up, and covered the camp: and in the morning the dew lay round about the host.

14 And when the dew that lay was gone up, behold, upon the face of the wilderness *there lay* a small round thing, as small as the hoar frost on the ground.

15 And when the children of Israel saw *it*, they said one to another, *It is* manna: for they wist not what it *was*. And Moses said unto them, *This is* the bread which the LORD hath given you to eat.

God Provides Manna and Quail

Lesson Text: Exodus 16:2-15

Related Scriptures: I Corinthians 10:1-10; Exodus 6:1-8;
John 6:30-58; Numbers 11:4-34

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PLACE: Wilderness of Sin

GOLDEN TEXT—“Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst” (John 6:35).

Preparing to Teach the Lesson

As we begin to teach the concept of God’s preparation of the Israelite nation, remember that they had just been delivered from generations of slavery in Egypt. They had to be taught morals, ethics, and values. The Israelites needed to become a functional society that could reflect their Sovereign’s character.

TODAY’S AIM

Facts: to see that the Lord provides for the needs of His people.

Principle: to understand how God taught His children to obey Him.

Application: to personally learn obedience from God’s work in our life.

INTRODUCING THE LESSON

Israel had little idea about what God expected of them. They were not sure who Moses was or if they should listen to him. If they were to survive the walk to the Promised Land, they would have to learn to honor and obey God.

DEVELOPING THE LESSON

1. Israel complains against God and His servant (Ex. 16:2-3). Israel needed food, but they were used to the food of their old life in Egypt, so

they compared their lifestyle of freedom to their lifestyle of bondage. We might doubt that slaves were ever given “bread to the full.” Still, they proclaimed their wish that they had died in Egypt! But God is a glorious God, and the provision He was about to make for His people far exceeded their fare under slavery.

2. God tells His answer to Moses (Ex. 16:4-8). God explained the plan to Moses, and Moses communicated it to Israel. Moses is particularly careful to point out that the people’s murmurings were not against him and Aaron, but against the Lord.

3. God gives the answer to Israel (Ex. 16:9-12). When Aaron conveyed the plan to Israel, they looked toward the wilderness and saw the glory of the Lord. This was not just a beautiful sunset, but a revelation of the Shekinah-glory of God, a special manifestation of His presence. They were to understand that God was answering their complaints.

The underlying meaning of this exercise was to tell Israel that He was their sovereign God and their Provider. It may be that most of our life