



WATER FROM THE ROCK
LESSON 1

WONDER TRUTH:
God Cares about Our Needs

SCRIPTURE:
[Exodus 17](#)

GOD'S BIG STORY:
God has faithfully rescued His people, but they're now thirsty and complaining in the desert. God responds with kindness, providing water for them from a rock because He cares about our needs.

WORD OF WONDER:
Work together on memorizing this verse!

[Ephesians 3:20](#)
"Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think."



Watch God's Big Story

Listen to our Playlist



Wonder about it!

What is one thing you are learning about God and the wonder of His big story?

How do you see God's story as part of your own story?



Life Connection:
Word of Wonder
Memory Practice

The Unexpected series Word of Wonder is Ephesians 3:20 about God's great power and Him being able to do more than we can imagine! As a family, work together on memorizing the Word of Wonder this week.

Use a washable marker (wet-erase, dry-erase, or chalk marker) to write the Word of Wonder on the mirror in the family bathroom. This week, whenever your family is washing hands, brushing teeth, or washing faces, practice saying the Word of Wonder. You can even encourage whoever is in the bathroom to shout it out and anyone who can hear to join in! As the week goes on, you can erase a word at a time as the verse becomes more familiar. By the end of the week, the whole family can say the Word of Wonder together!



Family Conversations

Families, use this to prompt conversations at the table, in the car, and anywhere else your family experiences life together.

God cares about your needs. • *What does this show you about Him?* • *When is a time God has provided for your needs?* • *What are some ways we can practice trusting that God cares about us?*



Worship Response - Complaints to Praises

God cares about our needs, but sometimes it's hard for us to remember this truth. Take some intentional time this week to think through how often we complain and how often God provides for us.

Set out a jar in the kitchen or living room. Place small slips of paper and a pen or pencil by the jar. Whenever anyone in the family complains about something, that person needs to write down his complaint and put it in the jar. (If you have younger kids, help them write out their complaints, or encourage them to draw a picture to express their complaints.)

At bedtime each night, read the complaints and talk about them together. Encourage the family members who wrote the complaints to think about them and then express ways God has cared about their needs.

It's easy for us to complain, but we'll see that when we take time to think about it, it's also easy to see how God cares about our needs!

