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3 Challenges from the book of Numbers . . .

1 Corinthians 10:1-13 tells us that the events in Numbers happened as "an example" and were "written for our instruction." What can we learn from Numbers?

1. **Let us be _____ with the Lord's _____.** (Num. 11)

Am I a _____?

2. **Let us actively _____ the Lord's _____.** (Num. 13:30)

Do I move, act and live by _____ or _____?

3. **Let us _____ the Lord _____.** (Num. 14:24)

Am I willing to follow the Lord, even when it means standing against the _____?

The "Riddle" of the Book of Numbers . . .

The Lord is slow to anger and abundant in lovingkindness, forgiving iniquity and transgression; but He will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generations. — Numbers 14:18

NUMBERS : GOD'S _____ IN THE FACE OF ISRAEL'S CONTINUAL _____ AND _____

PREPARATION FOR THE PROMISED LAND MOUNT SINAI, CH. 1-10	ISRAEL'S UNBELIEF & REBELLION KADESH, CH. 11-16	GOD'S PERSEVERING GRACE & PROMISE MOAB, CH. 17-36
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QUESTIONS FOR GROWTH GROUPS

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Connecting & Caring Together

In this 6th week of Winter Growth Groups, share how your Bible reading is going. What are you learning? What challenges are you facing?

Studying God's Word Together

1. We've already covered a lot of ground in God's Gospel Story. As a group, take some time to retell the story to one another beginning with the book of Genesis. Work together to piece together all we covered in Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, and Numbers. Have some fun with it. Maybe have someone start and then pass on the next part of the story when they are ready.
2. Read Numbers 13:17-14:45. Why is this the centerpiece of the book of Numbers? What jumps out at you in the text? What's your reaction to this text? What sins do the people commit and what are the consequences for those sins? Where is the grace of God in this text?

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3. Read 1 Corinthians 10:1-13, which connects directly to the book of Numbers. What does 10:4 say the rock was? What do you make of that? What are the happenings in Numbers according to 10:6 and 10:11? Can you identify 6 warnings in these 1 Corinthians verses? How do these warnings apply to us? Which one is most relevant to you?
4. Pick the statement that most closely describes your tendency and explain. What can you do about that?
 - Grumbling and complaining (about your circumstances, against the leaders God has placed in your life, or about God's provision/blessings in your life)
 - Not actively trusting the promises of God.
 - Not fully following the Lord.
5. Jesus in John 3:14-15 references Numbers 21:4-9. Read both texts and discuss the connections. Who is our bronze snake and what must we do?
6. Read Numbers 14:18-19. Why is this the "Riddle of Numbers"? How is Jesus the answer to the "Riddle of Numbers"?

Praying Together

Be sure to prioritize prayer in your time together. Share needs and pray for one another. Use your prayer time to confess your sins to the Lord and commit to follow Him fully. Give thanks for Jesus, our bronze snake lifted up.