

Cornflakes, Cucumbers, and Confetti

Complaining leads to _____ in the midst of _____.

Thankfulness leads to _____ in the depth of _____.

History of the Israelites

Abraham → Isaac → Jacob (AKA: Israel) → Joseph		
Joseph went to Egypt	Genesis 47:11	Acts 7:9-16
Israelites enslaved by Egyptians	Exodus 1:8-14	Acts 7:6; 17-19
The burning bush / Promised Land	Exodus 3	Acts 7:30-34
The plagues	Exodus 5-12	
Water to blood, Frogs, Gnats, *Flies, *Plague on livestock, Boils, *Hail, Locusts, *Darkness, *Firstborn		
Red Sea	Exodus 14	
Manna	Exodus 16	
Water from a rock (at Horeb)	Exodus 17	
Ten commandments	Exodus 20	
Golden calf	Exodus 32	1 Cor. 10:7
<i>Fire from the Lord</i>	<i>Numbers 11:1-3</i>	
<i>Quail from the Lord</i>	<i>Numbers 11:4-34</i>	
Exploring the land / banishment	Numbers 13-14	
Grumbling against leaders	Numbers 16-17	1 Cor. 10:10
Water from a rock (at Meribah)	Numbers 20	
Bronze snake	Numbers 21	1 Cor. 10:9, John 3:14
Balaam / Baal of Peor	Numbers 22-25	1 Cor. 10:8, 2 Peter 2:15-16

Numbers 11:1-6 Now the people complained about their hardships in the hearing of the LORD, and when he heard them his anger was aroused. Then fire from the LORD burned among them and consumed some of the outskirts of the camp. ²When the people cried out to Moses, he prayed to the LORD and the fire died down. ³So that place was called Taberah [*burning*], because fire from the LORD had burned among them.

⁴The rabble [*mixed-multitude / riff-raff / undesirable people*] with them began to crave other food, and again the Israelites started wailing and said, “If only we had meat to eat! ⁵We remember the fish we ate in Egypt at no cost — also the cucumbers, melons, leeks, onions and garlic. ⁶But now we have lost our appetite; we never see anything but this manna!” NIV84

Hardships make life truly _____.

Life does not exist solely of _____.

_____ is the difference between _____ and _____.

A perspective that includes the _____ brings _____.

Colossians 3:1-2 Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. NIV84

2 Corinthians 4:18 So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal. NIV84

Hebrews 12:2 Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. NIV84

Things you can be _____ for:

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| • Forgiveness – names written in the book of life | Luke 10:20 |
| • A clear conscience – freedom from guilt | Hebrews 10:22 |
| • A purpose in life | Ephesians 2:10 |
| • Chosen and precious to God | Eph. 1:11; Mal. 3:17 |
| • Being free from the control of sin | 1 Corinthians 10:13 |
| • Adopted into God's family | John 1:12 |
| • An inheritance that can never fade, spoil, or perish | 1 Peter 1:4 |
| • Loved by God | 1 John 3:1 |
| • Jesus is coming back | 1 Thessalonians 4:17-18 |
| • A Father who cares for you | 1 Peter 5:7 |
| • God will never leave me | Hebrews 13:5 |
| • An advocate / defender | 1 John 2:1 |
| • Treasure in heaven | Matthew 6:19-21 |