A Desert Surprise

Fall Unit 1: God Cares for Me

Bible Verse:"The Lord our God is the One and Only Lord."
Mark 12:29

God's Word & Me (Bottom Line):I can thank God that He always cares for me.



Exodus 15:22-25; 16

Tell the Story

Open your Bible to Exodus 15. Tell the story using the pictured motions (keywords in bold) or show Bible Story 8 pictures.

What did you have for breakfast today? Where did you get the food you ate? Today we're going to hear about one way God gave food to His people.



God's people were on a long trip. They **walked** through the desert. The desert is a hot place. There are not many trees for shade. There is not much water to drink, but there is a lot of hot sand. God's people walked across the hot, hot sand. Step, step, step.

For three days, God's people had no water. "We are thirsty!" they all said. Then someone shouted, "Water!" They saw beautiful cool water. The people ran to the water. They took big **drinks**. Yuk! The water tasted bad! "We can't drink this water," the people said. "Where will we get good water?" they asked Moses.



Moses asked God what to do. God told Moses to throw a special piece of wood into the water. The special piece of wood made the water taste good. Everyone drank the good-tasting water.



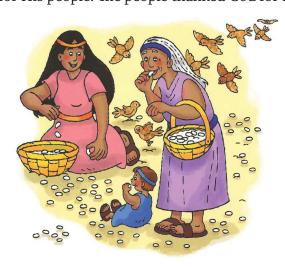
God's people had brought food with them from their old home. That food was almost gone. There were no stores to buy more food. "We're hungry," the people said. "What shall we eat?" the people asked Moses. Again Moses talked to God. That night God sent many birds to the people's camp. Now the people had plenty of meat to eat. They were **happy**.



But God gave them even more. The next morning the ground was covered with little white flakes. "What is it?" the people asked.

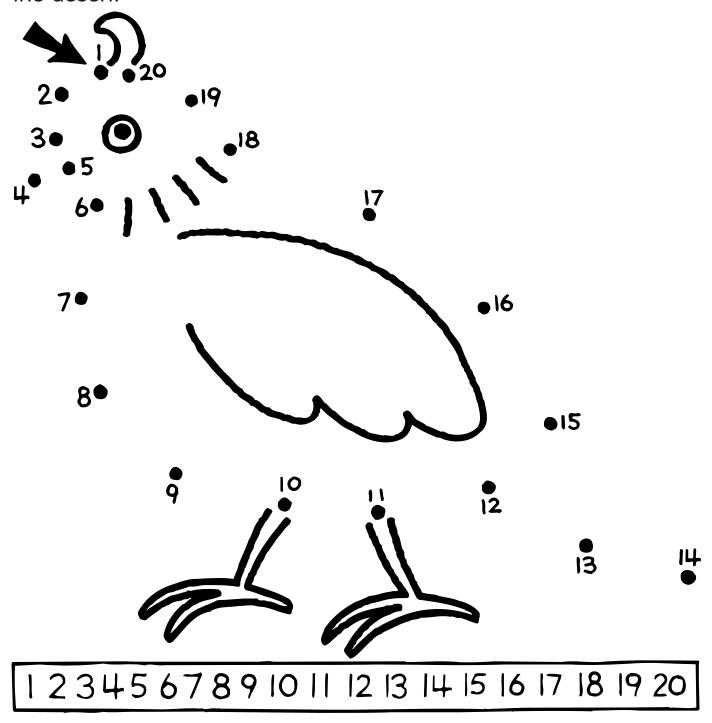
"This is the bread God sent," Moses said. The people **picked up** the bread and tasted it. It was good! The bread was called manna.

God cared for His people. The people thanked God for His gifts of food and water.





Connect the dots in order to find the food God gave the Israelites in the desert.



God shows His love to us by giving us food and water. Our Bible says, "Lord, you are good to us." (See Psalm 86:5.)



Make a dot-to-dot picture of 1 kind of food God gives us.