



## Provider – Lesson 4

**Memory Verse:** Exodus 14:13a “But Moses told the people, ‘Don’t be afraid. Just stand still and watch the Lord rescue you today.’”

**Key Point:** God provides for his people!

**Bible Verse:** Exodus 15

### SCHEDULE:

#### Center Time

*around 10 minutes*

Help the individuals transition by actively engaging them from the beginning. Try setting up centers to color, play with blocks and Play-Doh, or do puzzles.

#### Memory Verse

Use the Memory Verse page and images to go over the memory verse by placing them in the correct order on the board (personal or pocket chart).

#### Activity/Coloring Sheet (optional)

#### Big Group Time (optional)

#### Lesson

- Read through the lesson below. For a shortened version, just read the bolded words.
- Within the lesson, there are numbers that correspond to the story point pictures. For example, (1) corresponds to the first story point and picture, and so on.
- Allow individuals to place pictures on the board (personal or pocket chart) in sequential order.
- Key Point
- Use the review questions to check for understanding.

#### Video (optional)

#### Repeat Key Point & Memory Verse

*Use the activities below for repetition of the story points, key points, and memory verse.*

- Act out the Story.
- Bean Bag Toss: restate part of the story, memory verse, or key point when tossing.
- Hangman: play hangman using key points or parts of the story.

#### Activity/Coloring Sheet (optional)

#### Five Finger Gospel (optional)

## LESSON:

**This is a story from Exodus 15 in the Bible (1).** Remember God had shown his people that he was with them by providing a cloud in the sky during the day and a cloud of fire in the sky at night to lead them?

After God's people make it safely across the Red Sea, **Moses leads the Israelites into the desert (2).** **After three days** in the desert, **the Israelites get** very **thirsty** and they **begin to complain (3).** **They don't have good water to drink. The only water** they find **is bitter (4).** So **Moses prays to God and he shows Moses a tree (5).** **Moses throws the tree into the** bitter **water and the water becomes sweet (6)!** God uses the tree to make the water clean so the people can drink it. God is showing them they can trust him and he will take care of them.

Several days later they journey into the wilderness. There, **the people run out of food and they start to complain (7)** to Moses that they are hungry. Then **the Lord tells Moses he will send bread** or "**man-na**" **from heaven (8)** for the people to eat. He tells Moses that each morning the people should go out and gather just enough manna for that day. God even tells Moses that on the sixth day, he will provide enough for two days, so the people don't have to gather the manna on the seventh day and they can rest and worship God. So God does what he promises and provides manna every morning for them to eat.

After a while, **the people become tired of eating only manna. And** they **complain** to Moses **again (9).** **Moses prays to God and** God hears Moses. **God provides** some **quail (10)** for meat. So the Israelites have quail in the evening along with the manna in the morning. God wants the people to understand that he will provide for them and they can trust him. God is faithful to always provide for his people and he also provides all that we need. We can trust God.

**Key Point: God provides for his people!**

## Review Questions

Group A	Group B
Did the Israelites have a lot of water to drink? (No)	What does God use during the day and at night to show the Israelites he is leading them? (A cloud during the day and a cloud of fire by night.)
What did God tell Moses to put in the water to make it taste better? (A tree)	What does God tell Moses to put in the bitter water to make it drinkable? (A tree.)
Did the Israelites complain again? (Yes)	What type of meat does God provide for the Israelites to eat? (Quail.)
What did God send from heaven that is like bread? (Manna)	What are some things God provides for you? (Food, water, family, the Bible, protection.)
What did God send as meat after they complained again? (Quail)	