

The Bronze Serpent

Numbers 21:4-9; John 3:13-17

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Tuesday Morning Men's Bible Study

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Numbers 21

⁴ From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. ⁵ And the people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food." ⁶ Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. ⁷ And the people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸ And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live." ⁹ So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

John 3

¹³ No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man.

¹⁴ And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵ that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

¹⁶ "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.



Table Discussion Questions:

1. How are you tempted?
2. Where are you falling?
3. How bad is it?
4. What do you think your sin deserves? Why?
5. How is the Cross the curse and cure for sin?
6. Have you ever turned your eyes towards Jesus and believed in His death on the Cross as your own path for healing and life? When did you first turn to Him for healing? Recall and share that moment, time or season.
 - a. If you have never turned to Him for healing (but perhaps been around Him or talked about Him your whole life), call your table leader this week. When he answers, say something like, "The answer to the last question for me is 'no' and I would like to talk."