

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

The following questions help us engage with the sermon, music, and liturgy in this morning's worship service, and may be useful during personal devotions, group studies, and family worship.

1. Why were the Israelites grumbling? Why was it wrong for them to be speaking out against God? How do you personally relate to the temptation to grumble against God?
2. Read Genesis 3. How has a snake been used to symbolize a curse throughout Scripture? How is it being used in Numbers 21?
3. Read 2 Kings 18.3-5. King Hezekiah destroys the bronze snake as it has become a place of idol worship. How does this help us understand the role of the bronze snake in the Numbers 21 passage?
4. Read John 3.14-15 and John 8.28. How does Jesus telling the Pharisees that they would be the ones to lift up the Son of Man impact how we read John 3 and Numbers 21?
5. Read Isaiah 52.13. What two actions are being referred to in the Son of Man being lifted up? How does looking at the Son of Man's resurrection and ascension give us life?