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2. **Read Genesis 12:3 and Matthew 1:1,16.** If had been Abraham, would you have believed God's promises? How is Christ's birth linked to God's promises to Abraham?
3. **Read Exodus 16:2-3,11-12.** Does it surprise you that the Israelites began grumbling so quickly after being delivered from slavery in Egypt? Why or why not? Why was God so patient with them?
4. **Read Luke 2:10-11.** Why is the birth of Jesus, Israel's Messiah, "good news that will cause great joy for all the people?" How is Jesus not only Lord, but Savior?
5. **Read John 6:32-33,35.** What are the similarities and differences between manna (Exodus 16) and Jesus as the "bread of life"?

### Do Something About It

6. Is Jesus enough for you? Is there anything lacking in your relationship with Him? How can you draw nearer to Him who promises to fill your hunger and thirst with Himself?

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### Exodus 16:11-12

<sup>11</sup> The Lord said to Moses, <sup>12</sup> "I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Tell them, 'At twilight you will eat meat, and in the morning, you will be filled with bread. Then you will know that I am the Lord your God.'"

### Luke 2:10-11.

<sup>10</sup> But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. <sup>11</sup> Today in the town of David A SAVIOR HAS BEEN BORN TO YOU; he is the Messiah, the Lord.

### John 6:32-33,35

<sup>32</sup> Jesus said to them, "Very truly I tell you, it is not Moses who has given you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. <sup>33</sup> For the bread of God is the bread that comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."

<sup>35</sup> Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.



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