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Slide: Welcome

(Start kid's countdown once all classes are present.)

Hey kids! Welcome to Kid's Church. I'm so glad you could be here today.

Slide: Series Intro

Today we are going to learn another lesson from the Israelites and a time they became big complainers. Before we get into that, I have some questions for you guys! Do you complain when you don't get what you want? (allow kids to raise their hands). What sorts of things do you complain about? (allow kids to answer). A lot of us do that! It's really hard not to complain when we don't get our way.

In today's lesson we are going to see what happened to the Israelites when they started to complain about being tired and hungry.

We'll learn more about that in a few minutes, but first let's stand and sing a song!

Song

Fearfully

Good job! I think God loves hearing all your voices praising him! Now let's say our Big Idea together.

Slide: Big Idea

All together:

God gives us exactly what we need. (Repeat)

Video

Play lesson video.

Slide: Recap

So, what did we learn from the video today? Let's review...

- Why were the people complaining? (they were hungry and tired)
- What was the food that God gave them called? (manna)
- True or False: God will give us everything we want if we ask for it. (F)

If God gave us everything we ever wanted we would be so selfish! We would never be grateful for anything. We would just want more and more stuff. Lucky for us, God doesn't just give us whatever we want. Why? Because God knows what we really need and he'll take care of us. Think of this story about the Israelites. They were hungry and needed food. And, guess what God did? He gave them food! He literally had food fall from the sky! What was the name of the flaky bread? (allow kids to answer). Right, manna! Now, even though God gave them food everyday, he didn't want them to be selfish with it. He would give them only what they needed and nothing more. In fact, if people tried to gather up a ton of manna to save for later, it would get super smelly and gross. God didn't want them to be selfish. He wanted them to be thankful.

That reminds me of our memory verse. Let's all stand and say it together.

Slide: Memory Verse

"Be thankful (hold hands as if praying) in all circumstances (bring hands up and out towards sides), for this is God's will (point up) for you who belong to Christ Jesus (point at kids)." 1 Thessalonians 5:18 (Repeat)

God doesn't want us to be complainers or to be selfish. One of the easiest ways to not be those things is by thanking God for what we have! Think of all of the good things in your life. All of those things are gifts from God. He gives us everything we need, and we should be thankful for that! So, next time you start to complain or see yourself becoming selfish, think of all the things you have. Then pray to God and thank him for every single one of those things. That will help you to remember that everything you have is a gift from God and we should complain or be selfish with it!

Now let's all stand and sing one last song together.

Song

Another Day

Okay, let's all say the Big Idea together one last time!

Slide: Big Idea

God gives us exactly what we need. (Repeat)

Slide: Let's Pray

Pray and release the kids to small group.