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# Kidz Newz

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## LOOK & LIVE

Do you know a child who can never be satisfied? If they have a green shirt, they want a blue one; if they have candy, they want ice cream; if they have hamburgers, they want spaghetti! If they have to go to bed, they want to stay up; if they have to get up, they want to stay in bed! Never satisfied! The people of Israel learned how God feels about pouting and discontent.

The Israelites griped and complained! They railed against Moses! "You brought us into this wilderness to die! We were better off back in Egypt!" "Yes," others said, "we're sick of this manna! All we ever get is manna. We want meat! We want meat!" they chanted.

Moses' heart was heavy. The people had quickly forgotten God's great power and mercy in delivering them from oppression and slavery in Egypt. Nothing satisfied them! They ranted against Moses, but God heard their grumbling and saw their discontented, selfish hearts. He was angry! Suddenly, into the camp slithered vicious, poisonous snakes—biting every person in their path. Treacherous, venomous vipers coiled in tents, under beds, behind water pots, under firewood, lurking everywhere to strike their victims with their deadly fangs. People

## SNAKES IN THE DESERT



Read the story in Numbers 21, verses 4 through 9.  
Color the picture and circle the seven deadly snakes!

ran in every direction screaming, frantically trying to escape. Young and old—everyone who was bitten died!

In terror, the people who once complained against Moses, now begged him to pray that God would have mercy and spare them. And God did have mercy. He told Moses to make a serpent of brass, put it up on a high pole, and tell the people that all who would look at that brass serpent would be healed.

Moses quickly obeyed God and shouted God's message. **"Look and live!"** It worked! God instantly healed everyone who looked at the brass serpent. If anyone, for any reason, did not look to the serpent, they died! They died, because they would not believe and obey God.

The same is true today. God says, "All have sinned", and "The wages of sin is death." "The soul that sinneth, it shall die" (Ez. 18:4). But God offers the remedy. "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life" (John 3:14-15). Christ died for our sins and calls, "Look unto me and be ye saved" (Isa. 45:22). Everyone who looks to the Lord Jesus Christ in faith will be saved!

*Will you trust Him as your only Savior?*



Be "not slothful in business; fervent in spirit, serving the Lord"

Romans 12:11

(Be sure to take your vitamins and say your Vita-Verse every day!)

Can you memorize this verse and say it for your parents or teacher?



## KIDZ KREATION CORNER THE SLOW-POKE

*"Stand still, and consider the wondrous works of God" (Job 37:14).*



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ME!

God made some peculiar animals, but they are interesting teachers. The ant and spider show us how we should be, but the sloth shows us how we should not be. When someone is slow and lazy, folks say they are slothful. Hebrews 6:12 says, "...be not slothful." Why should we not be as the sloth? What ails the poor fellow?

God gave the sloth an extremely low body temperature, so when it moves-**if** it moves-it is in slow motion. It looks rather odd, too. It has almost no tail, no ears, a blunt nose, and teeth like pegs. It lives in trees hanging upside-down on branches by its hook-like claws. It eats, sleeps, and even has its babies while hanging upside down. It almost never comes down to the ground, and rarely moves. If it does move, it is ever so *s-l-o-w-l-y*, so slowly in fact, that algae often grows on its long coarse hair. You would have to watch closely to see it move at all. If it should get in a terrible hurry, it might go about one-third mile an hour. It will never get stopped for speeding!

So in this new year, "be not slothful," but "fervent in spirit, serving the Lord" (Rom. 12:11). Make every minute count for the Lord Jesus Christ! *Aunt Carolyn*

*What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?*

KIDZ PUZZLE POWER ANSWER:

## CBC Kidz Puzzle Power!

FILL IN THE BLANKS BELOW TO FINISH THE VERSE

" \_\_\_\_\_ ? KNOW YE NOT THAT YOUR \_\_\_\_\_ IS THE  
\_\_\_\_\_ OF THE \_\_\_\_\_ WHICH IS IN YOU,  
WHICH YE HAVE OF \_\_\_\_\_, AND YE ARE \_\_\_\_\_ YOUR OWN?"

I CORINTHIANS 6:19



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## Can A Leopard Change His Spots?

Can "the leopard change his spots?" That is a question God asked the people of Judah. They could not fix their situation. Only God could change their hearts. In "Aunt Carolyn's" storybook, *That Dog Spot*, the pup's delighted new owner gives the spotted Dalmatian a warm bubbly bath. Good idea, but when Mother comes to see what is taking so long, she finds young Pete scrubbing the poor dog mercilessly!

*"Pete, what are you doing?"*

*Innocently, the boy replies, "I'm just trying to get the spots off."*

*"Oh, Pete, do be careful! You can scrub off the dirt, but you can't wash off the spots! Those are made from the inside. He was born with them!"*

Like the dog's spots, our sins are on the inside, in our hearts. We were born with a sin nature. We can't just quit doing our sins; we can't wash them off. They must be washed from the inside by the precious blood of the Lord Jesus Christ. John said, "The blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin (1 John 1:7b). Repent of your sin and believe the Gospel (Mark 4:15b). "For there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved" (Acts 4:12).

