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Icebreaker

Share about either your worst hotel experience or your best hotel experience.

1. In **Exodus 17:1-2**, for what reason would Moses equate quarrelling with himself to testing God?

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2. During the video lesson, Caleb said, "Testing God never ends well for us." Read **Exodus 17:2, 7**; **Matthew 4:5-7**; and **James 1:13**. Why is testing God wrong?

3. Where in your life are you most tempted to test God?

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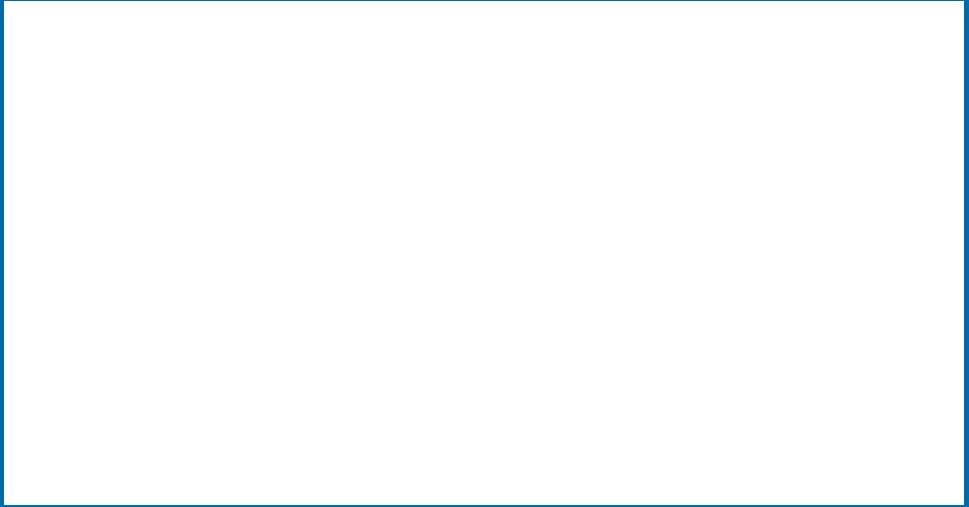
4. According to **Exodus 17:4**, when Moses was frustrated, he chose to turn to God instead of testing God. What can you do in your life to help you follow Moses' example?

5. Why did God command Moses to bring the elders with him as he struck the rock (**Exodus 17:5-6**)?

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6. What does God's use of water in this passage teach us about His faithfulness and provision?



Group Prayer

Pray for the one person that each group member is trying to share Jesus with.

Personal Reflection & Deeper Study for This Week

- Memorize **Exodus 17:2**
- Read **Exodus 17:7** where Massah means "testing" and Meribah means "quarreling." How might this site have served as a reminder to Israel of how God's faithfulness despite their faithlessness deserved their faithfulness to Him? How can this passage do the same for you?
- Compare **Exodus 17:1-7** with **Numbers 20:1-13**. What did Moses do differently in the event in Numbers 20? Where was his sin? Why was Moses' consequence so severe (see Numbers 20:12). How was God still gracious with Moses in **Deuteronomy 34:1-4**?