



# A NEW LEADER FOR ISRAEL



## THE LONG JOURNEY

### Activity 1

#### Who do you trust?

Trusting someone is when you know that you can rely on them. It is believing that they won't let you down and if they say they will do something for you, they will do it.

#### Try out answering these questions

- Who do you trust:
- To cook nice meals for you
- To help you when you are struggling to learn something
- To play and have fun with
- To talk to if you have a problem
- Look after you when you are sick
- To keep a secret

Are the people on the list close to you? Does being close to someone help you trust them? What about the other way around, does trusting someone help you be closer to them?

In today's story, the people of Israel were in a difficult situation, in the desert with no food or water. They began to worry and instead of trusting God and remembering how faithful he had been so far, they grumbled and complained against Moses.

### Activity 2

#### Story time

Watch the video at

<https://www.rippleconnor.org.uk/all-aboard-bitesized/>

**Adult supervision needed!**

### Activity 4

#### Cloud in a bottle

##### You will need

Matches, clear plastic bottle with lid, water

##### What to do

Pour some water into the bottle and put the lid on. Shake the water around to wet the inside of the bottle. Now squeeze the bottle hard. When you squeeze, the air pressure inside the bottle goes up, and so does the temperature. When you release, the air pressure inside the bottle goes back down and so does the temperature. However, you can't see any difference inside the bottle.

Light a match and drop it into the bottle- the water in the bottle will put the match out. You want to get as much smoke in the bottle as possible. Put the lid back on again and squeeze the bottle and let go.

A cloud appears each time you squeeze it. This effect should last for about 15 minutes. If you open the bottle you should see wisps of cloud escaping. There are lots of online videos of this experiment which explain the science behind the experiment e.g. this one from the Met office:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G70y90BVes4>

### Activity 3

#### Prayer Activity Trusting the "Rock"

##### You will need

A rock

##### What to do

Sit down together with your family. Talk about the following:

- What does it take to trust someone?
- What makes us sure we can trust God?

Read aloud Isaiah 26:4

**Trust in the Lord forever, for the Lord, the Lord himself, is the Rock eternal.**

God is sometimes described as a rock because he is strong and solid and unchanging. The things that are true about God in the bible are still true today.

Pass around the rock and when holding think of something you will trust God about this week.