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What does the story about the snakes have to do with Nicodemus and his request for clarification about the born again process?
4. What type of belief did the Israelites have in Number 4:5?
What type of belief did they have by verse 9?
When they complained, what types of solutions do you think they had in mind?
5. What happens in our lives when we fret and complain about problems?
How does looking to the risen Savior provide a remedy?
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