

Sola Publishing Children’s Message Lent 4 – Year B		SOLA 
The Bronze Serpent		
Readings	1) Numbers 21:4-9 2) Ephesians 2:1-10 3) John 3:14-21	
Scripture Focus	Numbers 21:4-9	
Take Away	None	
Aids (pics, props, etc.)	https://www.freebibleimages.org/illustrations/moses-serpent/	
Message Way, way back before Jesus was born, God’s people where on their way to a special land that God promised them. It was call the Promised Land. It took them 40 days of wandering around in the wilderness before they were there ready to be there because God wanted to make sure they were ready. God wanted them to trust him. So, here’s what happened. The people were walking, and walking, and walking, and walking. And they started to complain (very whiney voice), “Why did God bring us out here?” And they complained to Moses. “Moses, did you bring us all the way out here to die?” (Let the kids whine too. Make sure they do a good job.) “The food is icky and there’s no water.” The people weren’t trusting God to take care of them. God got tired of hearing them complain so he sent poisonous snakes to bite them. Some even died! Then the people realized what they were doing and said to Moses, “We’re sorry! We were whining and complaining about God and you. Please pray to God to take the snakes away.” Well, God wasn’t going to just take the snakes away. He wanted them to trust him, so he told Moses to make a snake out of bronze metal and put it on a tall stick. And Moses did. God promised that if anyone who was bitten by a snake looked at the metal snake on a pole, they would not die. And you know what? If the people looked at the snake on the pole and trusted God’s promise they lived. What do we learn from this story? TRUST GOD!! Let’s pray.		
Repeat Prayer	Dear God, We can trust you / more than anyone or anything. We can trust / all of your promises. Thank you for loving us. We love you. Amen	