

ENRICHMENT: SACRED ART

Praying with Sacred Art: *Moses in the Wilderness*, by Clive Upton

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When we pray with this sacred art, we learn that God cares for His people. [Begin with the Sign of the Cross.](#)

Look at the people in this painting.

- **Who are they? What are they doing?**
- The people in this scene are the Israelites.
- They are journeying through the desert to the Promised Land. Their journey would last forty years.

Look at the right side of the scene.

- **What are the Israelites carrying?**
- This is the Ark of the Covenant. They carried it with them because God dwelt with them through the Ark of the Covenant.

Look at the white-haired figure in blue at the center of the scene.

- This is Moses. **Do you see what Moses is looking at?**
- Moses is looking at the Ark of the Covenant. His eyes are fixed on the Ark, where God dwelt.
- Moses trusted and believed that God would care for His people.

In this painting, we see that the Israelites are tired from their journey.

- God was with His people every step of the way. He provided for them when they were tired. He fed them with bread from Heaven called manna.
- We are also on a journey. We are on a journey to Heaven. Like the Israelites, we can get tired and hungry on our journey.
- We must always remember that God provides for our needs on our journey to Heaven.

What do you want to ask God to help you with on your journey to Heaven? Write your answer on the journal page.

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[Conclude by praying the Our Father.](#)

