

*There is enough for our needs, not for our greed*

Week 3 of the Season of Creation



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In scripture we read of how the Hebrew people grumbled against Moses and Aaron. *“Did you bring us out of Egypt only to have us starve to death in the desert?”* It’s easy to dismiss the Hebrews as ungrateful wretches. God had brought them out of slavery in Egypt. They were on their way to the Promised Land. What do they have to complain about? However, don’t these ancient grumblings sound very modern? We too grumble about there not being enough water. We too grumble about foreigners in our midst. We too grumble about our leaders. What we have to learn is that there is enough. But in order for there to be enough we have to share. Whatever we hoard goes bad. In this Season of Creation, it is easy to fall into despondency: the earth and its creatures are doomed. However, the promise from the story of the Exodus is that even in the wilderness, there is enough, if only we will take just what we need and no more.