Exodus - 'Freedom to Serve God'

Experiencing God's Provision (Exodus 16:1-5, 10-20, 35)

Choose the questions you feel will be a help to your group.

Read Exodus 16:1-5, 10-20, 35

Focus on the theme:

1. Think about grumbling. What sort of things do you grumble about? Who do you usually grumble to? Why do you think you grumble? How far does grumbling help you?

What does the Bible say:

- 2. What do we learn about God from this passage?
- 3. How does God respond to his people's grumbling? (16:10-16) Does anything surprise you in God's response?
- 4. What do we learn about God's provision?
- 5. What do we learn about the people?
- 6. How would gathering enough manna for one day at a time lead them to greater trust in God (16:17-18)
- 7. In what ways did the people disobey God's instructions? (16:19-20) Why do you think they did that?

Living it out:

- 8. What has most challenged you from the passage?
- 9. **Read Deuteronomy 8:2** In what ways have you found it helpful to turn 'scripture into sustaining food' through your life? Are there any ways God is prompting you to do this more, what are they?
- 10. In John 6:35 Jesus said 'I am the bread of life'. In Mark's recording of the same event, the feeding of the 5,000, Mark records 'and they all ate and were satisfied'. What are your thoughts as you reflect on this personally?
- 11. Are there any ways that you can apply the things you have learned in this study to your home and work life this week?