**WELCOME:** Hey Families, as we settle into a new rhythm for our shelter in place, we are going to be producing a weekly Wednesday family devotional called “Pastor Pete in his Pajamas” We hope that it will be a helpful follow up to our Sunday lessons, and a fun way to connect together!

**ACTIVITY SUPPLIES** –

- Paper
- Markers

1.) **PRAY** – Start by praying together as a family. In your prayer, ask God to help you recognize his blessings in our life!

2.) **Watch** – Check out the video – [https://youtu.be/KycC8otQBUM](https://youtu.be/KycC8otQBUM)

3.) **READ** – Open your Bibles and read Exodus 17:1-7

4.) **Discuss** – As a family talk through these questions!

   - Try to name all of the times the Israelites complained...
     - Put yourself in their shoes... do you think you would have complained to? Why/Why Not?
     - How does God provide for the Israelites even when they are complaining?
   - Pastor Pete talked about some celebrities that were complaining... can you think of some stories you have heard where people complain even though their lives are awesome?
     - Why do you think those people choose to complain?
   - Think back over the last few weeks at home... try to list all of the things you have complained about...
     - Now, try to think of all of the blessings that God has put in your life that actually outweigh those frustrations
   - What can you do as a family to remind each other to focus on Gods blessings and trust in him?

5.) **ACTIVITY** – “Alien Observation”

   Pretend that you are an alien living millions of miles away. Your species cannot comprehend complaining and negativity, all you can see are blessings and positivity! You have just created an incredible telescope equipped with sound that you can use to observe life on other planets. As you are scanning space you spot a weird planet called earth. You decide to focus on one family and their life for a full week. Your assignment is to track all of their blessings to determine what they have to be thankful for...

   - Draw a picture of your house
   - Then draw pictures of all the things that this “alien” might think are blessings
   - Then show your pictures off to one another and explain
   - Finally, post your pictures on Instagram and facebook and tag our family ministry!

6.) **Pray** – Close out your time in prayer together.