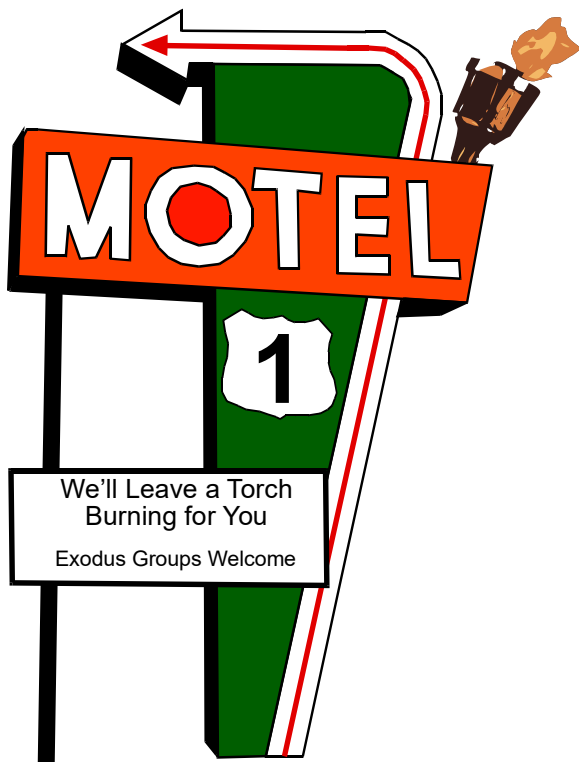


# Other Than Manna

The rabble with them began to crave other food, and again the Israelites started wailing and said, “If only we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we ate in Egypt at no cost - also the cucumbers, melons, leeks, onions and garlic. But now we have lost our appetite; we never see anything but this manna!”

Numbers 11:4-6



Have you ever wondered how much stuff you would really have if it weren't for mass media? There are many things I never knew existed, and certainly didn't realize I needed, until the marketing department brought it to my attention. Commercials, billboards, advertisements, and unsolicited phone calls, all serve to fuel our fires of discontent. We are made to believe that everything would be great if I only had product X, Y, or Z. Maybe learning to be content in all situations is just that, a learning experience. Experiencing God's peace when the world says we should be miserable communicates more than any advertising campaign.