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The <u>sirocco</u> is a wind from the desert. It lasts for 3 or 4 days. It is very hot and also very dry. When a sirocco comes it brings trouble. Suddenly the temperature rises. And every bit of moisture that was in the air is taken away. Your skin feels dry. It feels as if it is stretched tight on your body. Your nose and throat are so dry they hurt. A fine sand or dust is everywhere in the air. Do not try to take a picture on such a day. Wherever you would look, you can only see a blur. Do not think of going to the desert at the time of a sirocco. There it would feel as if someone had just opened a hot even door. The heat would come pouring at you. The blowing sand would sting and cut like a knife.

The sirocco is very hard on growing things. Plants that have seemed healthy may begin to droop and die.

Nothing is strong enough to stand against this hot, dry wind.

## FIND OUT

- How did Jonah feel when this kind of a wind came?
   See Jonah 4:8.
- Isaiah thought about this wind. He remembered how it could destroy everything in a short time. What did he say this wind could not destroy? See Isaiah 40:7-8.
- 3. Would you like more than anything to be rich? Many people do. But what does James say will happen to a man who wants only riches? See James 1:11.

