

2. Community Abraham and Sarah – home lesson school age

Genesis 12:1-9, 15:1-6

September 13, 2020

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OPENING

Greeting

ASK: What does it mean to make a promise to someone? Do people always keep their promises

SAY: Humans may not always keep their promises but God does! The Bible lessons this month are about beginnings in the Book of Genesis. We will be learning about a man named Abraham and a woman named Sarah. God loved Abraham and Sarah and had a wonderful plan for them; just like he loves us and has a wonderful plan for all of us.

PRAY: Dear God, thank you for loving us! Amen.

Count the Stars – Younger Elementary puzzle

- Give your child a copy of “Count the Stars” (available on the Children’s Ministry page)
- Have your child look at the stars on the page. Circle each star and count them as they go. Write the number of stars at the bottom of the page. (Hint: there are as many stars as there are chapters in the book of Genesis)

How Many Stars in the Sky – Older Elementary puzzle

- Give your child a copy of “How Many Stars” (available on the Children’s Ministry page)
 - ASK: How many stars do you think you can see in the night sky?
 - Have your child look at the stars on the page. Circle sets of five stars. Multiply that number by 180. Write your answer at the bottom of the page.
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NOURISH and EXPLORE

Learn the Bible Story

- Watch the [video lesson](#) by Ms. Alethea

Discussion questions:

1. What did God ask Abraham and Sarah to do?
2. Did Abraham obey God?
3. Do you think it was hard for Abraham and Sarah to trust God and move?

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4. Can you imagine if God asked you to leave behind everything that was familiar to you to go to a foreign land where you didn't know anyone? How do you think you would respond to God?
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I'm Going on a Trip - Game

ASK: How do people travel today? (car, bus, airplane) How do you think people in Abraham's time traveled? (they had to carry all their belongings on camels, sleep in tents, etc.)

- Have the family play a game pretending they have to pack and go somewhere new.
 - Pick someone to start the game by saying: “I'm going on a trip, and I'm going to bring...” and have them state something they might bring.
 - Take turns and have each family member follow the pattern and add something new to what they will bring on the trip.
 - For older children, challenge them to add items that only begin with a certain letter of the alphabet, are less than five letters long, can fit in a shoebox, or whatever limitations you choose.
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EXPRESS

I Will Go and Love- Activity

SAY: God gave Abraham and Sarah instructions to move to a new land. These instructions were just for them. Most of the time, God's instructions, like those we read in the Bible are for all people to follow. For example: John 13:34, “I give you a new commandment: love each other. Just as I have loved you, so you also must love each other.”

ASK: What are God's instructions for us? (Love each other)

- Have your child think about someone in their life they will show love to this week.
- Have them write the person's name on a paper and draw a picture of that person or something that reminds them of that person.
- Talk about how they can show love to that person and jot some ideas on the paper to help remember.

PRAY: (Ask your child if there is anything they want to pray about today – i.e. family, worries, things they're sorry for, things they're thankful for). Dear God, thank you for

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loving us. We are thankful that you have good plans for our lives. Today we want to pray for _____. Amen.

Get your exercise! You know the song so join along [Father Abraham](#)