

#55- PreK-2nd: God Promises a Child to Abram & Sarai, 3rd and up: A Wife for Isaac

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Dear Families: It doesn't seem really clear to me on our web-site that we are posting 2 lessons each week. One is for younger children and the second one is for older children. With the younger ones I am trying to go slower and have more repetition. I am telling a deeper part of the story with the older children and giving them more detail than I would a young child. I am including parts to the stories for the older ones that I did not include last year. However, I am still sending out just one packet for the activities. I am trying to clearly mark what is for younger kids and what is for older kids. God Bless!

Bible Text: Genesis 15:1-6; Genesis 17:1-6; Genesis 21:1-7 Abridged

“...the Word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, ‘Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield. Your reward shall be very great.’ But Abram said, ‘O Lord God, what will You give me, for I continue childless. . .’ And Abram said, ‘You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.’ But the word of the Lord came to him, ‘This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be you heir.’ He brought him outside and said, ‘Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.’ Then God said to him, ‘So shall you descendants be.’ And Abram believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness. When Abram, was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, ‘I am God almighty, walk before Me and be blameless. And I will make my covenant (promise) between Me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous.’ Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, ‘As for Me, this is My covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham. For I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. . .God said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife. . .Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her and she shall give rise to nations. Kings of peoples shall come from her. . .your wife Sarah shall bear you a son, and you shall name him Isaac. . .The Lord dealt with Sarah as He had said, and the Lord did for Sarah as He had promised. Sarah conceived and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the time at which God had spoken to him. Abraham gave the name Isaac to his son whom Sarah bore him. . .Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him. Now Sarah said said, ‘God has brought laughter for me; everyone who hears will laugh with me.’ And she said, ‘Who would ever have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age.’”

Genesis 24:1- Abridged

Now Abraham was old, well advanced in years; and the Lord had blessed Abraham in all things. Abraham said to his servant, the oldest of his house, who had charge of all that he had, “Put your hand under my thigh and I will make you swear by the Lord, the God of heaven and earth, that you will not get a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites. . .but will go to my country and my kindred and get a wife for my son Isaac. . .Then the servant took ten of his master’s camels and departed, taking all kinds of choice gifts from his master. . .to the city of Nahor. He made the camels kneel down outside the city by the water well. . .Let the girl to whom I shall say, ‘Please offer your jar that I may drink,’ and who shall say, ‘Drink, and I shall water your camel.’ Let her be the one whom You have appointed for your servant Isaac. Before he had finished speaking, there was Rebekah, who was born to Bethuel (a relative by marriage to Abraham). . .The girl was fair to look upon. . .The servant ran to meet her and said, ‘Please let me sip a little water from your jar.’ ‘Drink my Lord. . .I will draw for

your camels also, until they have finished drinking.' When the camels had finished drinking, the man took a gold nose ring and two bracelets for her. 'Tell me whose daughter you are.' Is there room in your father's house for us to spend the night?' (Yes) The man bowed his head and worshiped the Lord and said, 'Blessed be the Lord, the God of my master Abraham, who has not forsaken his steadfast love and his faithfulness toward my master.' . (She took him to her home where they offered food and etc. . . The servant would not eat until he revealed his errand.) . . (The servant explained what Abraham had told him to do and what had happened.) Then Laban and Behtuel answered, 'This thing comes from the Lord. . . Take Rebekah and go.' (The servant gave out more gifts. Then they ate and spent the night. The servant wanted to leave right away the next morning.) (The family blessed Rebekah. She and her maids got on the camels.) Isaac went out in the evening to walk in the field; and looking up, he saw camels coming. . . (Rebekah prepared her self to meet him.) Then Isaac brought her into his mother's tent. He took Rebekah and she became his wife; and he loved her.

Memory Verses: I am going to write several verses in an ABACADAEA pattern for the children to memorize over a few weeks:

God is faithful and keeps promises.

"I am your strength." Philippians 4:13

God is faithful and keeps promises.

"I will never leave you." Deuteronomy 1:6

God is faithful and keeps promises.

"I hear your prayers." I John 14:13-14

God is faithful and keeps promises.

"I always love you." I John 4:9-10

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Movement Ideas:

(Cross heart with pointer finger.)

(Show strong arms)

(Cross heart with pointer finger.)

(Shake head. "No.")

(Cross heart with pointer finger.)

(Cup one hand behind one ear)

(Cross heart with pointer finger.)

(Do I Love You in sign language.)

(Cross heart with pointer finger.)

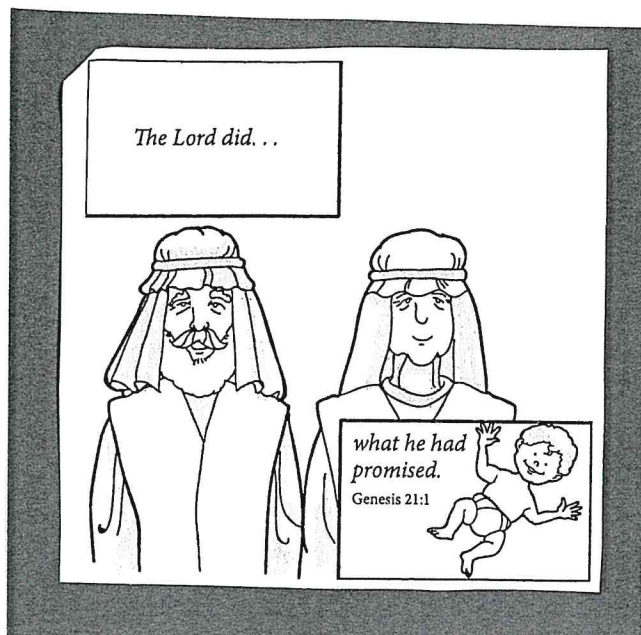
Younger children can just learn the words. Have older children memorize the references too. The movements above would help them remember the words more easily. Feel free to have children make up other movements that fit with the words.

Activities:

PreK-2: *Abraham and Sarah Word Search *Abraham and Sarah Have a Son *God's Promise to Abraham *When God Makes a Promise. . .

3rd and Up: *Dot to Dot page *A Bride for Isaac word find and spiral puzzle

*A Bride for Isaac fill in the blank



21. A BRIDE FOR ISAAC (GENESIS 24:1-67)

MEMORY VERSE:

"And as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you."
ISAIAH 62:5

FILL IN THE BLANKS:

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2. Abraham said, "The LORD God of heaven, who took me from my father's house and from the land of my kindred, and who spoke to me and swore to me, saying, 'To your descendants I give this land,' He will send His angel before you, and you shall take a wife for my son from there." GENESIS 24:7
3. "The servant took ten of his master's camels and departed, for all his master's goods were in his hand. And he arose and went to Aram-naharaim, to the city of Nahor." GENESIS 24:10
4. "And he made his camels kneel down outside the city by a spring of water at evening time, the time when women go out to draw water. Then he said, 'O LORD God of my master Abraham, please give me success this day, and show kindness to my master Abraham.'" GENESIS 24:11-12
5. He also said, "Now let it be that the young woman to whom I say, 'Please let down your pitcher that I may drink,' and she says, 'Drink,' and I will also give your camels a drink.' - let her be the one whom You have appointed for Your servant Isaac." GENESIS 24:14

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORDS:

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9. "Then they called Rebekah and said to her, 'Will you go with this man?' And she said, 'I will go.'" GENESIS 24:58
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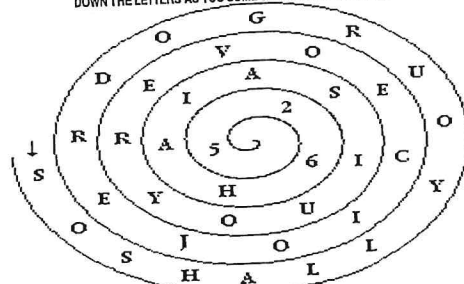
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✓CAMELS ✓ISAAC ✓REBEKAH ✓THIGH
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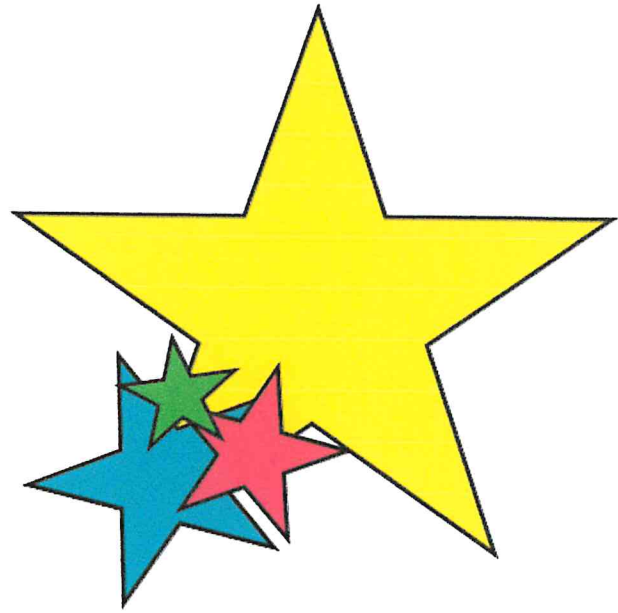
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Abraham & Sarah Word Search

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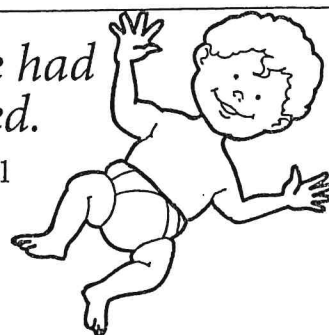
Abraham & Sarah Have a Son



The Lord did. . .

*what he had
promised.*

Genesis 21:1



God's Promise to Abraham

As Numerous as the Stars (based on Genesis 12:1–8, 15:3–6, 21:1–5)



memory verse

I trust in [God's] word. Psalm 119:42

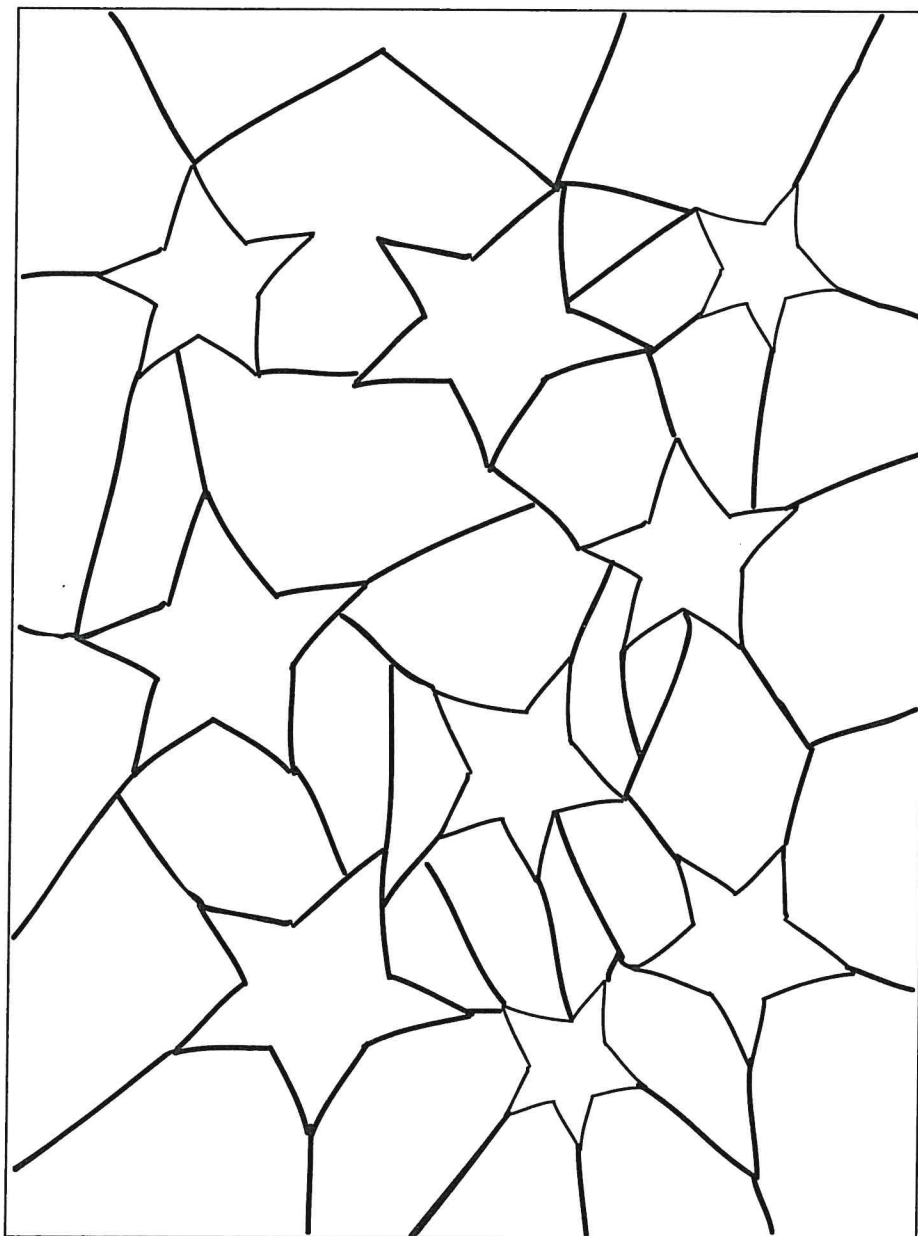


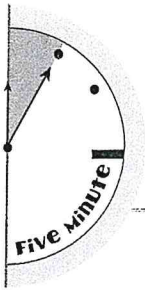
discussion questions

1. What did God ask Abraham and his family to do?
2. What did God promise to give Abraham?

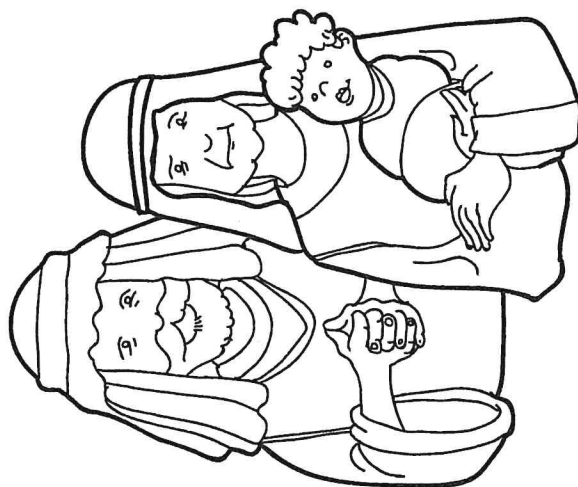
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Find the stars and color them. How many stars can you count?



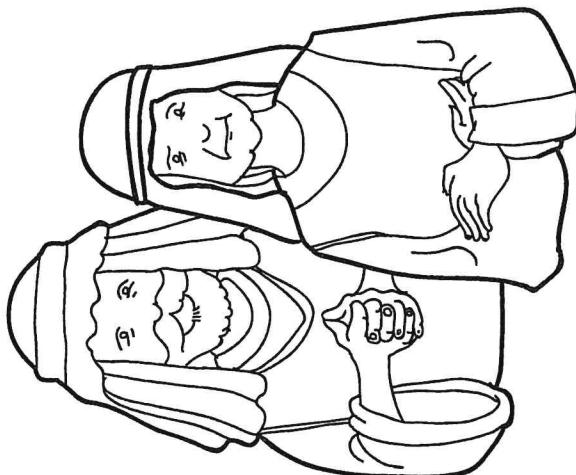


Make a folding picture to show how God kept His promise to Abraham and Sarah.

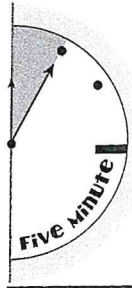


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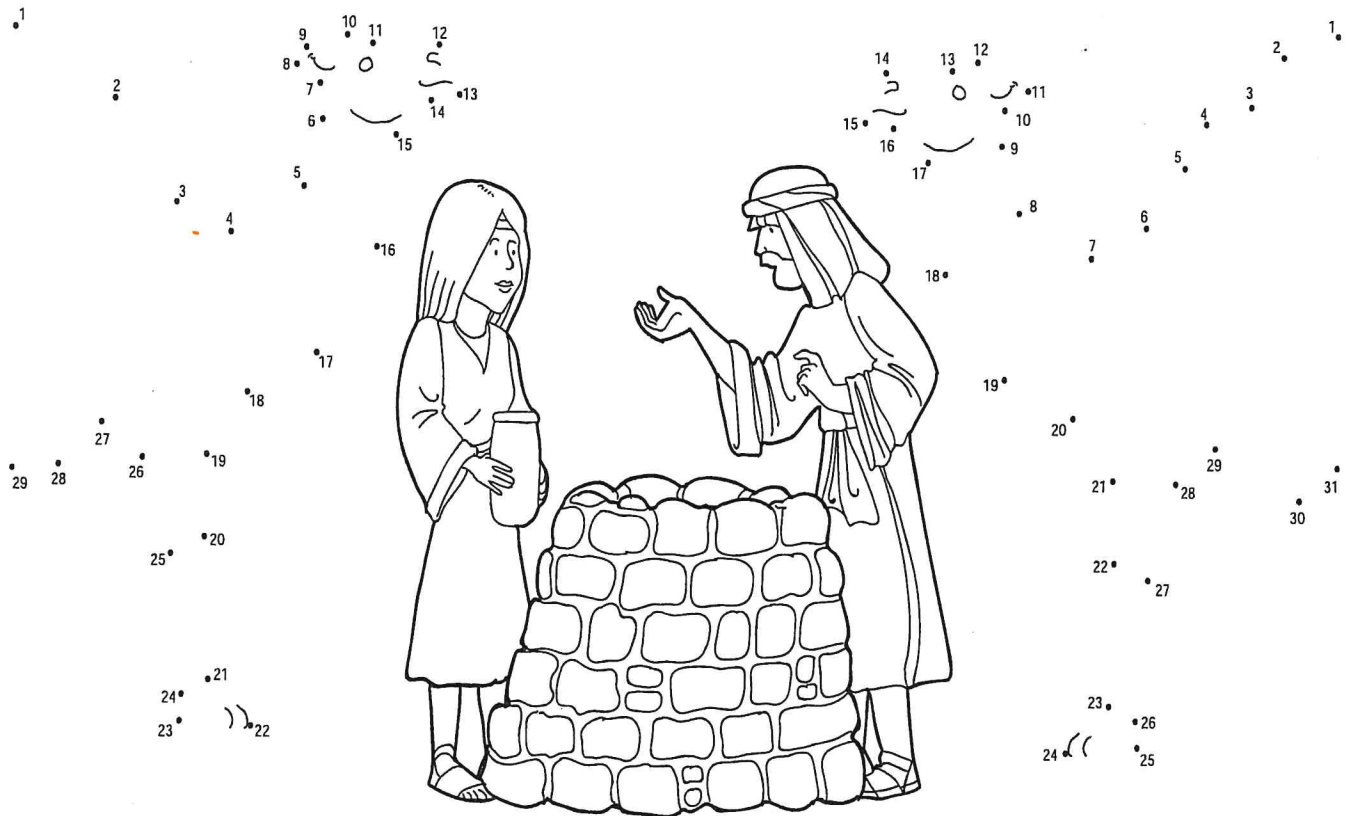


**When God
makes a
promise...**



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inish the picture to show how God answered the servant's prayer.



Then the man bowed down and worshiped the LORD, saying, "Praise be to the LORD."

Genesis 24:26-27

The solution is on page 96.

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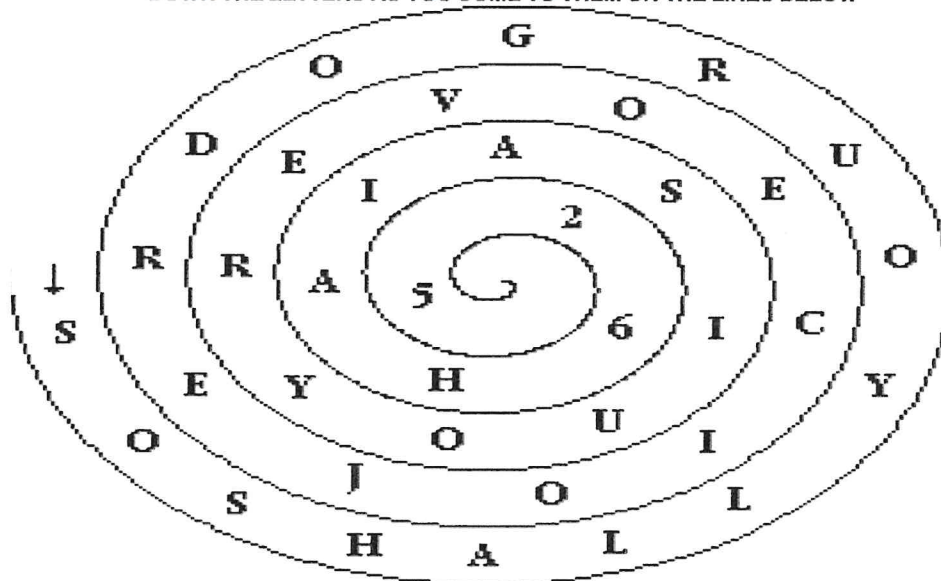
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