



Lesson

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1st-4th

GOD'S PROMISE TO ABRAM AND SARAI

September 20 & 21

GOD IS FAITHFUL

Faithful means God will always do
what He says He will do.



LESSON GOAL:

Background: God made a covenant, or promise, to Abram that he would have as many descendants as there were stars in the sky. Abram and Sarai tried for years but could not have any children. God changed Abram's name to Abraham meaning "Father of many nations" and Sarai's name to Sarah as a symbol of the covenant God made with Abraham. They had to trust God is faithful and will always do what He says He will do. We can trust God is faithful too!

Lesson Goal: For kids to understand that we can trust that God is faithful because God always keeps His promises. Sometimes God's promises are hard for us to understand or take a long time to take place, but we can trust God is faithful even in the waiting.

Genesis 15-21

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Parenting Class: Home Discipleship
October 13th, 20th, and 27th @ 6:30 PM
Rockrimmon Campus

THEME FOR THIS SERIES:
Astronomer/Mad Scientist



KEY VERSE:

"So God created human beings in his own likeness. He created them to be like himself. He created them as male and female. God blessed them."

Genesis 1:27-28a, NIRV

MISSION FOCUS:

FEEDING FAMILIES

You can make a difference in the lives of individuals and families throughout El Paso County by bringing non-perishable food items to your campus.

Your non-perishable donations help Woodmen's ACTs team provide weekly food bags to over 300 local families at our partner schools. Donations are needed year-round.

**During the month of September,
let's see if we can fill the
Feeding Family bins!**



5:45-6:10pm
8:45-9:10am
10:45-11:10am

CHECK-IN

The goal of check-in is to greet parents/guardians and children by name and help them feel known and welcome.



SAY:

I'm so glad to see you today, *(insert child/parent name)*!

Grab today's **Lesson Card**. Look up the Bible passage in your own Bible or a classroom Bible and leave your card there as a bookmark. Then, you can play with the classroom activities until we begin Explore time.

6:10-6:25pm
9:10-9:25am
11:10-11:25am

EXPLORE

The goal of Explore is to help kids connect relationally and think about the Bible story. It should be completed in small groups of 5-7 kids per one Ministry Partner.



DISCUSS: God is Faithful!

Help kids connect relationally by asking them about their week, then discuss the lesson topic for the day and read the Bible passage together.



SAY:

Let's take turns sharing 3 words about our week. I'll go first!
Share your 3 words then invite the next child to share.



SAY:

Today, we are learning about how **God is Faithful**. This story comes from the Bible in **Genesis 15-21**. Can you open your Bible to the passage with me so we can read it together?



DO:

Read the Bible passage aloud or pick a child to read it aloud.



CONNECT: Why Does It Matter?

Help kids prepare for the lesson by thinking through the Big 3 questions and how the lesson relates to them, personally.



SAY:

Let's answer THE BIG 3 questions for today's lesson & talk about how it applies to our lives!

1. Who was our story about today?

God, Abram & Sarai

2. What was the problem?

God told Abram that he would one day have many children, but Abram and his wife were very old and still had no kids

3. What did God do?

God made a covenant, or promise, with Abraham that he would have as many descendants as there are stars in the sky and God is always faithful to do what He says He will do

Encourage kids to think about why this matters and how they can apply it to their own life as they listen to the story!



MAKE: Abraham Stars Craft

Help kids think about the lesson further and have fun by doing this activity!

Supplies: Abraham page, star stickers, crayons/markers



DO:

Pass out one page per child. Allow them to color, draw stars, or decorate their page using star stickers.



SAY:

God is faithful! Today we get to learn about Abraham! God told Abraham that he would have as many children as there are stars in the sky. Let's make a special craft to prepare us for our lesson today.



CLEAN UP: Transition to Large Group

Ask kids to clean up the activity or save it to finish for the end of class. Then, ask kids to line up and/or transition to Large Group.



Craft Example



6:25-6:50pm
9:25-9:50am
11:25-11:50am

LARGE GROUP

The goal of Large Group is to help kids grow in their relationship with God by participating in Worship and hearing an engaging Bible story.



EXPECTATIONS

As kids transition to Large Group time, play the expectations video.



HOST MOMENT

After the Large Group expectations video is finished, the Host should welcome the kids in an engaging way and share the daily host content.



SAY:

Welcome! We're so glad you're here today! Let's take a few minutes to look at our Missions project for the day and our Key Verse.

MISSION FOCUS

Introduce or share an update about the current mission focus.

KEY VERSE

Introduce the key verse then have the kids watch the Key Verse video.

PRAY FOR WORSHIP & BIBLE LESSON



WORSHIP

Invite your Worship Leader to come up and play the worship song videos. Encourage kids to participate and be respectful to others.

SONG 1: Your Love

SONG 2: Promises



LESSON VIDEO

Play the daily Bible lesson video.



WORSHIP RESPONSE

Lead the kids through a quiet time of responding to what God is teaching them.



BLESSING

As Large Group ends, speak this blessing over the kids.

May you feel warm and safe knowing that God is always faithful and God loves you!



TRANSITION

After the blessing, the Host should dismiss the kids to return quietly to their classroom (if applicable) and transition to Respond.

WORSHIP RESPONSE



REFLECT: God is Faithful!

Help kids reflect on the lesson by providing a quiet space for the Holy Spirit to work in their hearts as they think about how it applies to them personally.

Worship Response Station

Supplies: Worship song in PowerPoint (Power in the Praise)



SAY:

God made a covenant, or promise, to Abram that he would have as many descendants as there were stars in the sky. Abram and Sarai were very old and this felt impossible because they still had no kids! But, God changed Abram's name to Abraham meaning "Father of many nations" and Sarai's name to Sarah as a symbol of the covenant God made with Abraham. They had to trust God is faithful and will always do what He says He will do. We can trust God is faithful too!



DO:

- Ask the kids to quietly participate in the following activity. Say:
 - ***Have you ever had to wait a very long time for something?*** Let kids share. ***It can be really hard!***
 - ***Can you imagine how hard it was for Abraham and Sarah to wait for God's promise to come true?***
 - ***They had moments of doubting God, but even then, God was still faithful!***
 - ***Sometimes, in our own lives, it can be hard to see how God is working.***
 - ***But you know what we can always do, even when we aren't sure what God is doing? We can worship and praise God!***
 - ***Let's practice praising God right now. As you worship, remember God is always faithful!***
 - Invite kids to stand or take whatever posture of worship they want to engage with God. Play worship song in PowerPoint.
- Close the time by praying over the kids.



BLESSING

As Large Group ends, speak this blessing over the kids.



SAY:

May you feel warm and safe knowing that God is always faithful and God loves you!

6:50-7:10pm
9:50-10:10am
11:50am-12:10pm

RESPOND

The goal of Respond is for kids to think about the lesson and how it applies to them. It should be completed in small groups of 5-7 kids per one Ministry Partner.



APPLY: Why Does it Matter?

Help kids process what they learned in the lesson by answering the Big 3 questions you asked at the beginning of class.



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4. Why does this matter to me?

Sometimes God's promises are hard for us to understand or take a long time to happen, but I can trust that God is faithful even in the waiting, like we read throughout the Bible

5. How can I apply this to my own life?

Example: I can pray and talk to God to help me remain faithful and patient in the waiting; I can thank God that He is always faithful



PRAY: Connect Relationally

Help kids understand the power of praying together. Use the Prayer Tags from Check-In to write down prayer requests to take home and pray for during the week.



SAY:

Does anyone have a prayer request they'd like to share? You can also share with a leader privately, if you don't want to share aloud.



DO:

Invite kids to pray for each other, then the leader closes in prayer.

As parents
arrive after
service

CHECK-OUT

The goal of check-out is to re-connect kids with their parent and communicate any upcoming events or announcements as families leave.



DO:

Encourage kids to finish their activities or play classroom games until their parent comes to pick them up.

As kids get picked up, mention any announcements while handing them the announcement card and ensuring they take their weekly **Lesson Card**.