

Twos

August 2013

DATE

The Beginner's Bible: "A New Home" (pg. 39-51)

WHERE TO FIND IT

Abraham

LESSON TITLE

God Chooses Abraham

MAIN POINT

schedule

This is a recommended schedule. You can adjust, but do make time for the lesson and the activity!

15 minutes Check-in and play time

5 minutes Clean-up toys
10 minutes Prayer/sing/snack
5 minutes Lesson/story time

5 minutes Song time

10 minutes Lesson activity/craft 10 minutes Play and clean-up time

tips

Help kids clean up their stuff. Make it fun. Tell them each to pick up 10 items, or act like you're a robot while picking up, or come up with your own creative idea to engage them in clean up.

check-in/out

As you check in kids, be sure to ask parents if their kids are potty-trained or are working on it. And so you know - if there is an "accident," we've got some clothes available to send them home in.

large group heads up

In August, we're going to learn the story of Abraham. We will be using parts of the two stories in "The Beginner's Bible" to tell more of Abraham's story. You may wish to read through the two stories to see where we "skip a page" to make it flow!

^{*} We have those industrial bubble machines for a reason! Use them to help kids acclimate in the first 5-10 minutes.





instructions

Goal: to provide experiences to help the kids grasp the concept for the month

Why? Kids can begin to understand and learn stories, even though they may not be able to fully grasp a story's depth.

Tip: Tell the story as kids eat a snack. It may give them something quiet to do while they listen.

small group

August 3-4, 2013 August 10-11, 2013

God promised Abraham that he would have many children and live in the beautiful land they moved to. Sarah, Abraham's wife, laughed because she thought she was too old to have a baby. But God can do ANYTHING and he gave them a son. (Hold up the baby doll.) They named him Isaac, which means laughter. Can you give me a great big laugh?

Supplies needed: A BIG laugh!

A baby doll

August 17-18, 2013 August 24-25, 2013

August 31/September 1, 2013

When God told Abraham to move to a new land, Abraham listened and obeyed. He packed his things on camels and moved to a beautiful new land. Then God blessed Abraham and his wife Sarah with a baby named Isaac. We're going to color a camel today to help us remember to obey and trust God. He always takes care of us.

Supplies needed:

Camel coloring sheet, crayons





special notes

We're using "The Beginner's Bible" for all of our stories.

If you'd like to read another kid version of the story of Abraham, The Jesus Storybook Bible does a great job. "Son of Laughter" (pages 57-61) and "The present" (pages 62-69). We use this Bible starting at age 3.

presenter tips

Feel free to pause, use voice inflections or voices - remember being animated helps them listen!

You can ask questions during the story too!

script

Hold up the *Bible* and ask, "Does anyone know what this is?" That's right! It's a Bible. And the Bible is a very special book because God gave it to us. ...And the best part? It's all true!

This summer we learned that God created the whole wide world and everything in it. We also learned we can always trust God to take care of us like he took care of Noah. God made a promise to Noah and he kept it. Remember the rainbow?

Read: "A New Home" (Genesis 12-17) - pages 39-41 (skip 42), 43-44 (skip 45-49). To transition from 44 to 50, you can say, "When Sarah heard about the baby..." then start on the second line of page 50. Then finish on page 51. You can even explain that the name Isaac means "son of laughter."

QUESTIONS - Have the kids repeat the answers with you.

Did Abraham and Sarah love God? (Yes)

What did God tell Abraham to do? (Move to a new land)

Did Abraham listen to and obey God? (Yes)

What did God promise Abraham? (Many children)

That's right, and God started with one baby named Isaac, just like he promised he would. So did Abraham trust God? (Yes)

Yep, Abraham trusted God all the way and we can, too. Isn't that great!

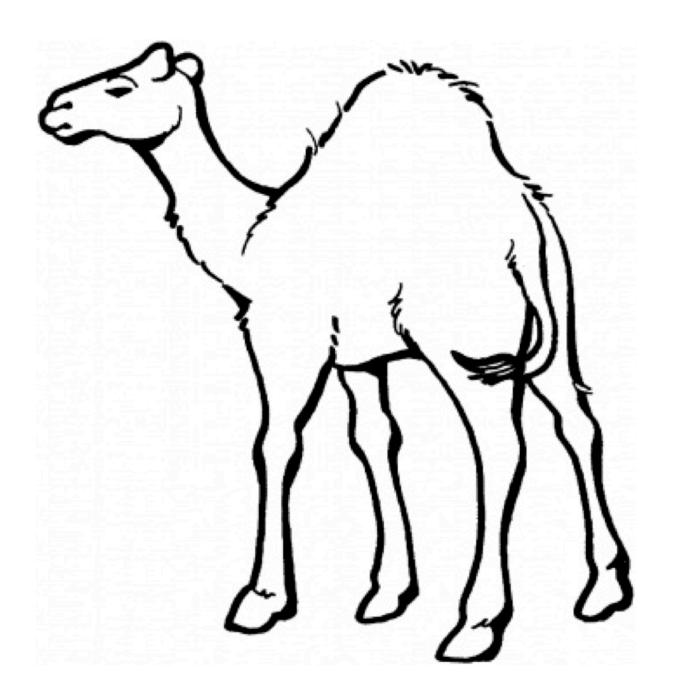
Let's thank God for taking care of us. (An idea for a simple prayer: "Dear God, we're so happy that we can trust you with anything. Thanks for taking care of us. We love you! Amen.")

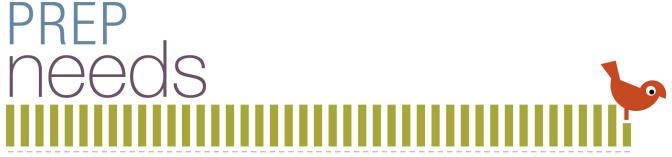






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small group supplies

August 3-4 **AND** August 10-11 A baby doll

August 17-18 AND August 24-25 AND August 31-September 1 Camel coloring sheets, crayons

large group supplies

"The Beginner's Bible" - mark page 39 "A New Home"

a/v needs

Kids' Club Volume 2 CD

special room set-up

none

connect questions

When can we trust God? ... All of the time!

parent page

In August, we're learning more about obeying and trusting God through the story of Abraham. God asked Abraham to move to a new land and he obeyed. When Abraham got there, God promised him all the land and that he and Sarah would have many children. Even when Sarah laughed at the idea because she thought she was too old, God kept his promise to them and Isaac ("son of laughter") was born.