



3PK

July 4-5, 2015

DATE

Abraham and Sarah

LESSON TITLE

Genesis 12

WHERE TO FIND IT

God starts a family

MAIN POINT

schedule

First 10 minutes of the service hour:
Engage kids in cooperative play activities to help them connect to other kids

Next 5 minutes: Connect Time

Next 25 minutes: Large Group

Last 25 minutes: Snack and Small Group

tips

Kids have different concepts of family. Some kids have two parents, some live in foster homes, some live with their grandparents. We need to be sensitive to this and emphasize that family isn't just blood relations; it's people who you're close to and love.

check-in/out

Ask kids what their star pictures mean. Encourage them to share it with their grown ups!

large group heads up

We're talking about God's promise to Abraham—his family would be more numerous than the stars, and a rescuer would someday come through that family.

connect time

GOAL: *Connect time is all about engaging kids in a short, interactive game to prepare them for Large Group.*

- **Clean up! (10 minutes after the service start time, when you get the 5-minute warning from the presenter)**
- Line Up
- SAY: “I **promise** I will give you a stamp after we play this game. But you have to do everything I say!” Tell kids that **making a promise means you will do what you said you’d do.**
- Give kids these commands:
 - Jump 3 times
 - Reach down to the ground and touch your toes
 - Reach your arms as high as you can
 - Stand on one foot
 - Stand on the other foot
 - Give a high five to someone
 - Wink your eyes
 - Wiggle your whole body
 - Dance
 - Spin around one time
 - Sit down on the ground
 - Stand up
- SAY: “I promised I would give you a stamp, so now I will!” Give each kid a **stamp** on their hand.
- As you walk into Large Group, encourage kids to put on their listening ears! Remind that HOPS will be showing us how we should act in Large Group, so we have to listen!



instructions

Goal: To help kids (1) understand that God kept his promise to Abraham and Sarah and (2) recognize that God loves his family and would bring the rescuer through it

Why? This is God's rescue plan taking off! The rescuer came out of Abraham's family, and it's important for kids to recognize that God promised it would happen, and it did!

Tip: Use God's metaphor of stars in the sky as a comparison to the size of Abraham's family! Give kids a visual to latch onto.

small group

REVIEW THE STORY

1. What did God promise to give Abraham and Sarah? (A son)
2. Did they get it right away, or did they have to wait? (They had to wait.)
3. How big did Abraham's family get? (Very big! As many as the stars in the sky.)
4. Who did God say would come out of Abraham's family someday? (A rescuer, Jesus)
5. Does God make promises to us? Does he keep them? (Yes!)

STARS IN THE SKY

- Give each kid a **black piece of construction paper** and a **sheet of 8 star stickers**.
- Pass out **white crayons**.
- Remind kids that God said Abraham would have so many family members, they would be more than the stars in the sky!
- Help kids peel stickers and put them on their paper. They can draw more stars, or even Abraham and his family, using the crayons!

***Pray together and thank God for keeping his promises!**

Extra time?

*Have kids do a **coloring page**. After that, play musical chairs! Set chairs in a circle, or turn them outward around the table, and turn some music on. Let kids move and dance until you stop the music, and then they have to quickly find a seat!*

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special notes

Make sure your tone of voice and facial expressions reflect what part of the story you're teaching. Go over the top when expressing emotion during sad or happy parts!

presenter tips

Here's two videos we'll be showing:

God's Story/Abraham and Sarah
<https://vimeo.com/44930545>

Kid Bible Story/Abraham
<https://vimeo.com/44929843>

script

***Click to play intro music**

Hi Friends! Welcome to Kid's Club. I'm _____ and I'm really glad you're here today. Before we get started, I want you to meet my friend HOPS. She's going to remind us of the kind of choices we can make today in Kids' Club.

Video: HOPS Put On Your Listening Ears (*about 1 minute*)

(Hold up the **Bible** for kids to see.) This is God's story. Out of all the stories in the world, this story is the most important. Do you know what it's called? (Let kids respond, "The Bible.") That's right, the Bible! It's God's Rescue plan. This book shows us how he rescued us from all the wrong things in the world.

In the beginning, God made the whole world and everything in it. He created the sun and the moon, the water and the land, the plants and the animals, and people like you and me! Everything was good. Give me a big thumbs up! (Let kids respond. Then change your tone.)

But THEN, something bad happened. Adam and Eve disobeyed God, and all the wrong things came into the world. Things like sadness and death. Show me your sad face. (Let kids respond.)

Even though Adam and Eve disobeyed God, God loved them anyway! He planned a great rescue so that Adam and Eve—and you and me—could be close to God again! Do you know who the rescuer is? (Let kids say: Jesus!) That's right! Jesus!

INTRO: ABRAHAM AND SARAH

Today we're going to talk about two people named Abraham and Sarah. **(Click to play slide.)** Can you say Abraham with me? (Repeat with kids.) Now let's say Sarah. (Repeat with kids.)



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Good job! Abraham and Sarah were married, and they really, really REALLY wanted to have kids! There was one problem though. They were very, very old!

Abraham and Sarah thought “*We will never have kids! We are way to too old for that!*” This made them very sad. Can you all show me a sad face? (Let kids respond.) Something amazing was about to happen, though! God decided to help Abraham and Sarah. He had a special plan for them.

GOD’S PROMISE

God made a special promise to Abraham. Do you all know what a promise is? (Let a few kids answer.) A promise is when you say you will do something, and then you do it! In the Bible, God makes lots of promises, and he ALWAYS keeps his promises. Every single time. Let’s watch a video to see what promise God made to Abraham and Sarah!

VIDEO: God’s Story/Abraham and Sarah

Wow! Who can tell me what God promised to Abraham and Sarah? (Let a few kids respond) That’s right. God promised that he would give them a kid! But not just one kid. He said that Abraham’s family would get bigger, and bigger, and bigger, until there were as many people as there are stars in the sky!

(Click to play video loop.) Wow, look at all those stars! Can you all count them? Let’s try. (Start counting for a few seconds along with kids.) There’s no way we can count them, there are just too many!

GOD’S FAMILY

Even though God promised Abraham and Sarah a son, they had to wait a long time. They could have complained about it. They could have said “We hate waiting!” But they didn’t. They trusted God, and believed that he would do what he said he would do. Let’s watch another video about what it was like for Abraham and Sarah to wait all that time for their baby!

VIDEO: Kid Bible Story/Abraham and Sarah

So did God keep his promise? Did he give them a son? (Let kids respond, “Yes!”) That’s right. Sarah had a baby boy named Isaac. Can you all say Isaac with me? (Repeat along with kids.)

God was so excited to give Abraham and Sarah a son, because that was how God was going to start his rescue plan! He would send a rescuer, many, many years later, to make all the wrong things right again. This rescuer would come from Abraham’s family! If you know who that rescuer is, shout it out loud! (Let kids respond “Jesus!”) Good job. Give me a big smile and thumbs up!

PRAY

Dear God. Thank you for always keeping your promises. We’re so glad that you love us. We love you too. Amen!



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WORSHIP

Now let's stand up and worship God by singing and dancing!

Song: Come With Me

Song: Jesus Loves Me

Song: Thank you Lord (extra song if you have time left over)

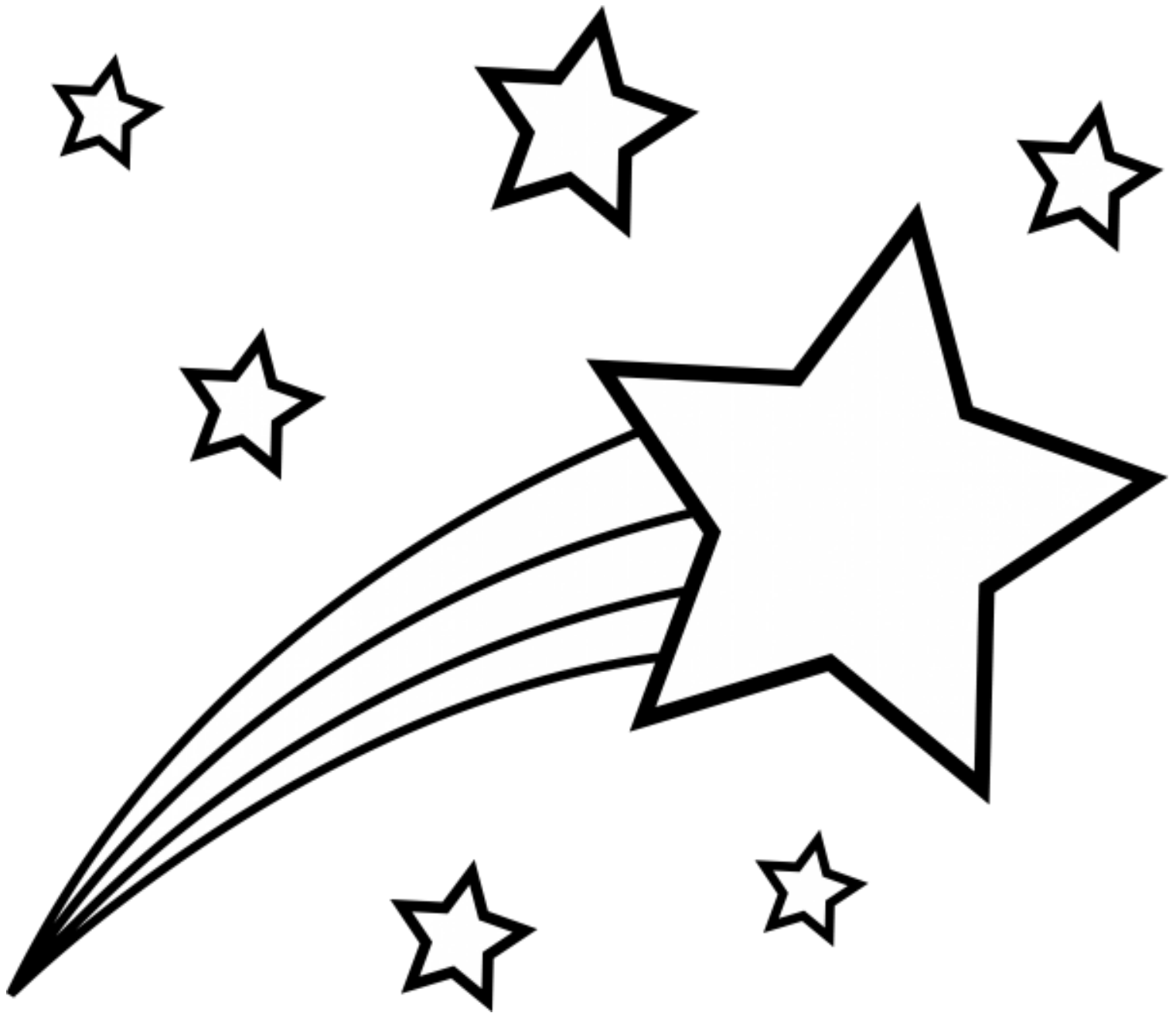
Dismiss kids to small groups. (Be creative as you dismiss them. Ask them to come give you a high five first, or maybe tiptoe or hop to their groups.)



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PREP needs



connect time supplies

Per group: 1 stamper (OT: IN-5/629)

small group supplies

Per kid: 8 star stickers (OT: IN-13654111), 1 piece of black construction paper, white crayon (reused for subsequent services)

Per group: Adventure Bible

large group supplies

Per Group: Bible

a/v needs

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| 1. Song slide: for when kids enter the room (All that You Need instrumental; mp3 only; can be downloaded on website) | 8. Video: Jesus Loves Me |
| 2. Video: HOPS Listening Ears (https://vimeo.com/67408011) | 9. Extra Song: Thank You Lord |
| 3. Slide: Abraham and Sarah | |
| 4. Video: God's Story/Abraham and Sarah (https://vimeo.com/44930545) | |
| 5. Video loop: Stars (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1E7BNrepPJg) | |
| 6. Video: Kid Bible Story/Abraham (https://vimeo.com/44929843) | |
| 7. Video: Come With Me | |

connect questions

Tell me about Abraham and Sarah.
What did God promise to Abraham and Sarah?

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Daily Talk Starts – separate document