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# ABRAHAM AND ISAAC

Printable Lesson Kit



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# ABRAHAM AND ISAAC

## LESSON OVERVIEW

### ABRAHAM AND ISAAC MIGHTY MESSAGE

The Genesis story of Abraham having Isaac at age 100 will teach children the importance of trusting God. Abraham is known for his great faith. He had many opportunities to trust God. The most famous story is the birth of his son Isaac. We can look to Abraham's faith as an example in our own lives!

#### How to Use the Lesson Kit:

This kit includes a variety of activities that you can select from to customize your perfect lesson. We suggest beginning with the Scripture Reading & Lesson followed by the Discussion Questions. From there, feel free to mix & match the activities to build your lesson plan based on the time you have allotted and the age level/interests of your kids.



#### WHAT'S INCLUDED:

- Scripture Reading & Lesson
- Discussion Questions
- Printable Craft
- Game
- Coloring Page
- Wordsearch
- Crossword Puzzle
- Learning Lookups Journaling
- Parent Handout
- Quiz
- Reference Sheet
- Certificate of Completion
- Answer Page



#### MATERIALS LIST:

- Crayons, markers, or colored pencils
- Glue sticks
- Scissors
- Brass fasteners (craft)
- Paper cups (game)
- Spray bottles (game)
- Water (game)
- Coins (game)
- Paper towels (game)
- Pencils or Pens
- Bibles (electronic or hardcopy)

# ABRAHAM AND ISAAC

## SCRIPTURE & LESSON

### EXCERPTS OF GENESIS 18 & 21

Read the following excerpts as shown (NIV translation), or read from your chosen Bible translation:



### GENESIS 18

<sup>1</sup> The Lord appeared to Abraham near the great trees of Mamre while he was sitting at the entrance to his tent in the heat of the day. <sup>2</sup> Abraham looked up and saw three men standing nearby. When he saw them, he hurried from the entrance of his tent to meet them and bowed low to the ground.

<sup>3</sup> He said, “If I have found favor in your eyes, my lord, do not pass your servant by. <sup>4</sup> Let a little water be brought, and then you may all wash your feet and rest under this tree.

<sup>5</sup> Let me get you something to eat, so you can be refreshed and then go on your way—now that you have come to your servant.”

“Very well,” they answered, “do as you say.”

<sup>6</sup> So Abraham hurried into the tent to Sarah. “Quick,” he said, “get three seahs of the finest flour and knead it and bake some bread.”

<sup>7</sup> Then he ran to the herd and selected a choice, tender calf and gave it to a servant, who hurried to prepare it. <sup>8</sup> He then brought some curds and milk and the calf that had been prepared, and set these before them. While they ate, he stood near them under a tree.

<sup>9</sup> “Where is your wife Sarah?” they asked him.

“There, in the tent,” he said.

<sup>10</sup> Then one of them said, “I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife will have a son.”

Now Sarah was listening at the entrance to the tent, which was behind him. <sup>11</sup> Abraham and Sarah were already very old, and Sarah was past the age of childbearing. <sup>12</sup> So Sarah laughed to herself as she thought, “After I am worn out and my lord is old, will I now have this pleasure?”

<sup>13</sup> Then the Lord said to Abraham, “Why did Sarah laugh and say, ‘Will I really have a child, now that I am old?’ <sup>14</sup> Is anything too hard for the Lord? I will return to you at the appointed time next year, and Sarah will have a son.”

<sup>15</sup> Sarah was afraid, so she lied and said, “I did not laugh.”

But he said, “Yes, you did laugh.”



## GENESIS 21:

<sup>1</sup>Now the Lord was gracious to Sarah as he had said, and the Lord did for Sarah what he had promised. <sup>2</sup>Sarah became pregnant and bore a son to Abraham in his old age, at the very time God had promised him. <sup>3</sup>Abraham gave the name Isaac to the son Sarah bore him. <sup>4</sup>When his son Isaac was eight days old, Abraham circumcised him, as God commanded him. <sup>5</sup>Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him.

## Questions for Children about Abraham and Isaac:

1. Chapter 18 verse 1 says the Lord appeared to Abraham. Abraham seemed to know one of them was the Lord. How might he have known?

**A: He could have been lit brightly or, simply, God could have whispered to his heart.**

Note of interest: One of the three “men” must have been God, choosing to appear human. Scholars call these appearances a “theophany.” When Jesus appears in his pre-incarnate body in the Old Testament, we call it a “Christophany.” Whether God’s visit to Abraham was a theophany or a Christophany, we don’t know. But it does seem clear that one of the visitors was God himself. The other two were the angels who later visited Abraham’s nephew Lot in the story of Sodom and Gomorrah. That takes place in chapter 19.

2. If you experienced a Christophany—Jesus appearing to you—what would you do? Would you make a pile of your best stuff like Abraham did and offer it to him, or would you just ask him for stuff? Why?

3. It was not a problem for God to create a baby for Sarah and Abraham when they were ages 90 and 100 respectively. What seems impossible in your life that you’d really like to happen? Describe it and use your classmates to help determine if it’s something God would want you to acquire. (Hint: God generally approves requests that we believe will help mankind or a number of people, not just one person.)



## TEACHER’S MIGHTY MESSAGE

Abraham is known for his great faith. He had many opportunities to trust God. The most famous story is the birth of his son Isaac. Abraham was very old and still had no children with his wife, Sarah. He wanted a son! These celestial beings told Abraham that within a year, he and his wife would have a son. This was hard for them to believe. They were both too old for children. In fact, Sarah laughed!

Abraham realized he’d been given a message from God. He held out in faith for the son. They named him Isaac, which means “he laughs!”

Look at where faith brought Abraham: Centuries later, his faith was teaching people. Paul told the Roman church, “For what does the Scripture say? ‘Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness...’ (Romans 4:3). The story happened 4,000 years ago.

Only a handful of people from 2000 BC are known today. There are no artists or writers, no governors or mayors known from this time. There are only a few kings. A few kings, and Abraham and Sarah. Therefore God kept his word. The fact that we are still reading about him 4,000 years later makes him a very special person in history.



# ABRAHAM AND ISAAC

## PRINTABLE CRAFT

### GOD'S PERFECT TIMING CLOCKS

This is a craft that the kids can do at home to remind them that God's timing is perfect timing.



#### MATERIALS:

- Clock Template Add-On
- White card stock
- Coloring utensils
- Scissors
- Brass fasteners



#### PREPARATION:

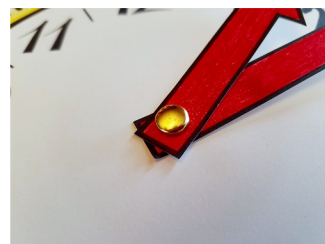
Print out one clock template per child on a piece of card stock (regular paper works too, it just won't be as sturdy)

### INTRODUCTION

1. Color as desired.
2. Cut the clock face and hands. (Kids can do this step if they are old enough to use scissors)
3. Attach the hands of the clock to the face with a brass fastener and pull out the tines to secure.
4. The kids should have a little clock with hands that spin.

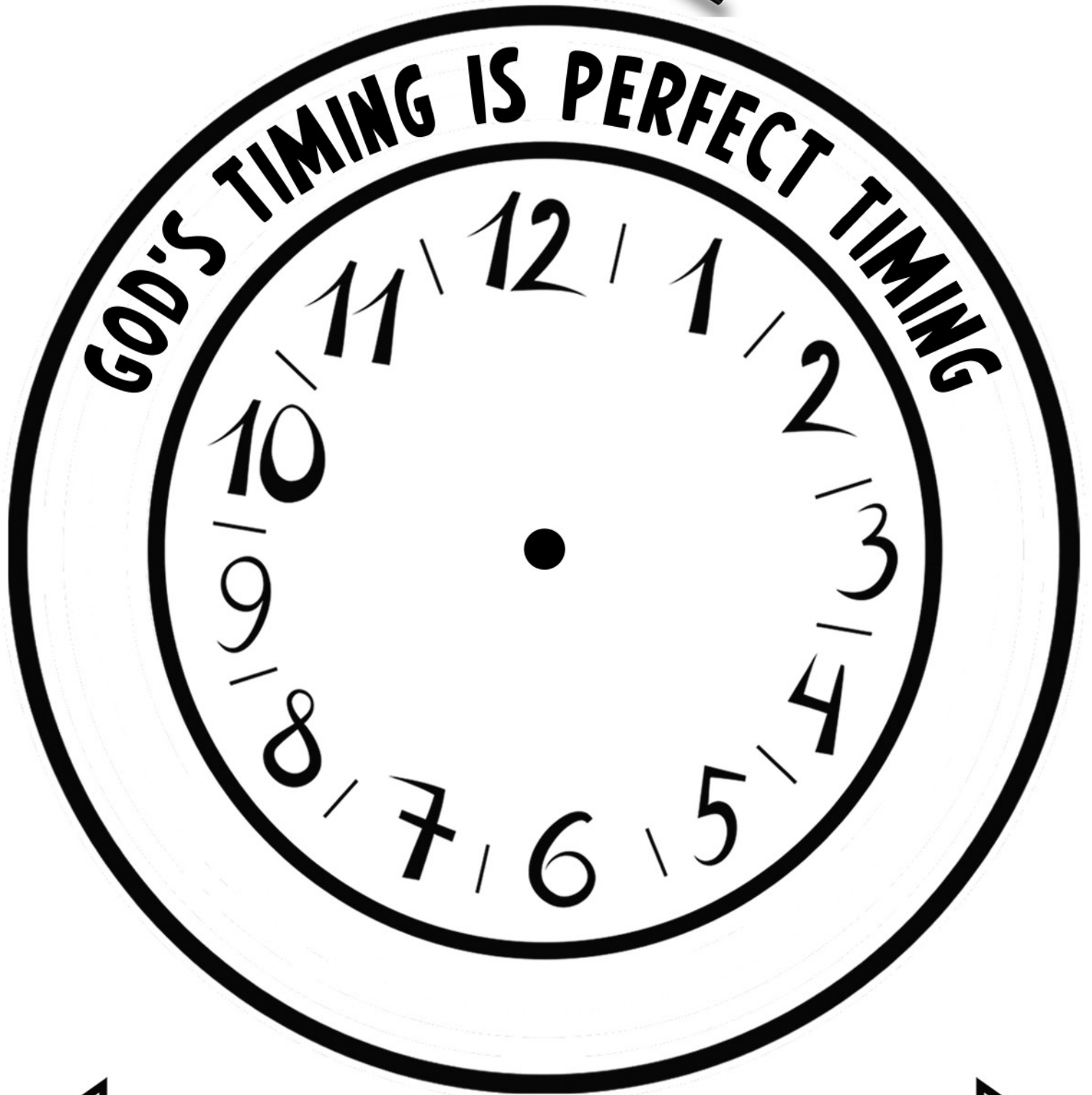
### CONCLUSION

When we lose faith, it's often because we don't understand God's timing. We are expecting things sooner than he can give them to us. Let's use this clock to remind us that no matter what time our clocks say it is, God is usually on a different time schedule. And his timing is always perfect timing!





ALL THE FACTS ABOUT  
**ABRAHAM**



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## COIN DROP GAME

### COIN DROP

This game will teach the kids about the faith of Father Abraham and how it can help us overcome the barriers to God's plans for us.



#### MATERIALS:

- Paper cups
- Spray bottles
- Water
- Coins
- Paper towels



#### INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Split the children into teams, one partner on each side of the table.
2. Partner One will have a handful of coins, a paper towel, and a paper cup.
3. Partner Two will have a spray bottle filled with water.
4. Have Partner One wrap the coins in his paper towel and hold them over the cup.
5. Partner Two will spray water at the towel until the coins fall through and into the cup.
6. The first team to do this wins!



#### EXPLANATION:

Abraham had to wait a whole lot of years to finally have Isaac and hold him in his arms. But he could picture that day coming. Being able to picture things is part of faith, which is like the water we are spraying at the coins. The paper towel represents the fear and doubt which stands between us and God's perfect plan (the cup). With enough faith (water) eventually we will land right where God wants us to be.

While we are waiting for God's will to unfold in our lives, let's remember Father Abraham's patience and eventual victory!

# ABRAHAM

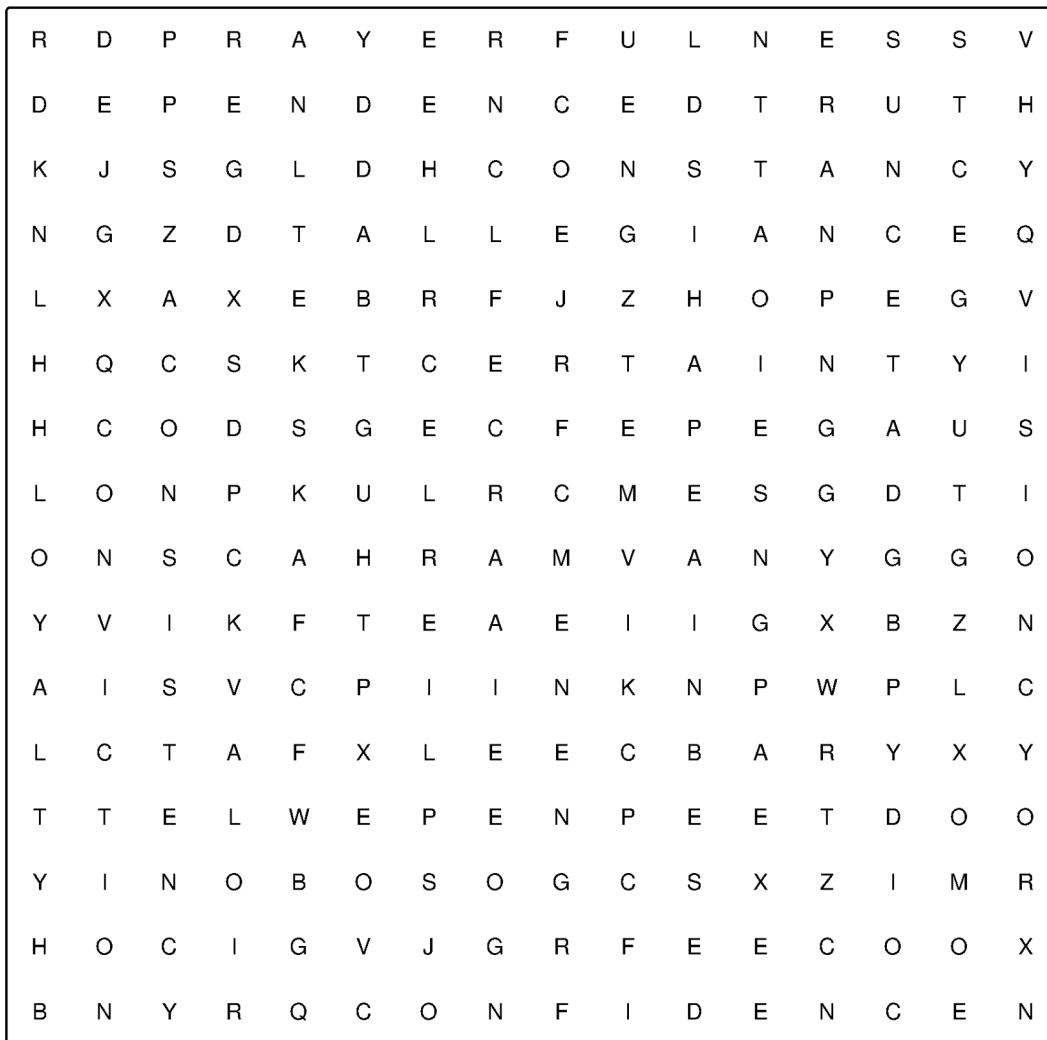


GENESIS:18

# ABRAHAM AND ISAAC

## WORD SEARCH

Father Abraham is most famous for his **FAITH**. All the words below either mean faith or are required to have complete faith. Find them in the word search!



### Words to Find:

ALLEGIANCE  
ASSURANCE  
BELIEVE  
CERTAINTY  
CONFIDENCE

CONSISTENCY  
CONSTANCY  
CONVICTION  
DEPENDENCE  
DETERMINATION

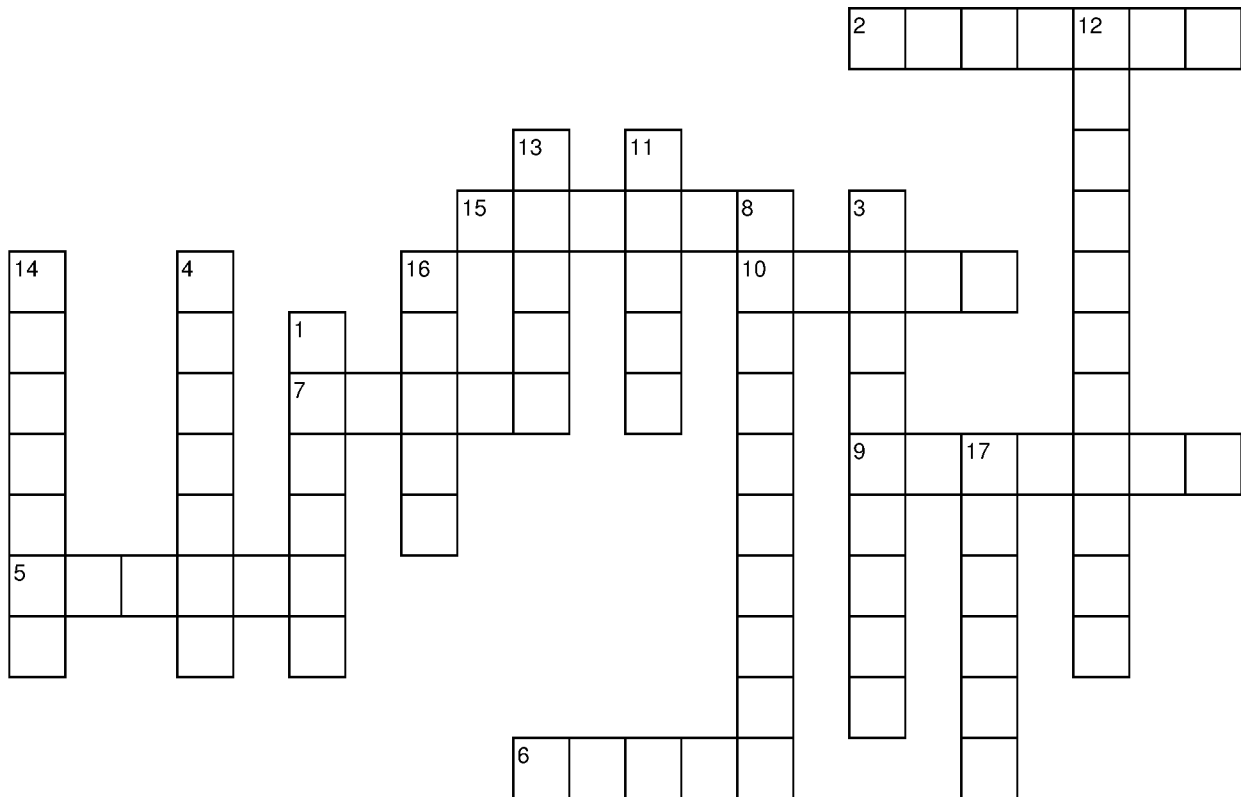
HOPE  
LOYALTY  
PATIENCE  
PEACE  
PRAYERFULNESS

SEEKING  
TRUTH  
VISION

# ABRAHAM AND ISAAC

## CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Use the 'Abraham At-a-Glance Reference Sheet' to fill in all the facts about the Founding Father of Israel!



### Across

2. Ishmael's descendants may be the first of these people
5. Abraham left this to Isaac
6. City of Harran was in this direction
7. Abraham's wife's name
9. Abraham's first son's name
10. Name of Abraham's and Sarah's son
15. God spoke about moving here

### Down

1. Isaac's descendants became the people of \_\_\_\_\_.
3. God asked Abraham to make this of Isaac
4. A second wife of Abraham (little known)
8. Century BC when Abraham died
11. Name of Ishmael's mother
12. Influential area surrounding Ur
13. Abraham is know for his \_\_\_\_\_.
14. Years Abraham lived before Isaac's birth
16. Abraham's father's name
17. City where Abraham's father Terah moved the family

# ABRAHAM AND ISAAC

## PARENT HANDOUT



**Scriptures to Read:** Genesis 18:10-15



### This Week We Learned About ...

Father Abraham, who lived 4,000 years ago, was heralded by God for his great faith. He realized he'd been given a message from God, that he'd have a child at the age of 100, when his wife Sarah was 90. He believed and waited with great anticipation.

Look at where faith brought Abraham: Centuries later, his faith was teaching people. Paul told the Roman church, "For what does the Scripture say? 'Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness..." (Romans 4:3).

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### ✓ Questions for Kids:

1. The "they" people are two angels and God himself. What news did they give Sarah? **She would finally have a baby.**
2. What was Sarah's reaction? She didn't believe them. **She laughed.**
3. Why did Sarah lie about having laughed? She realized her husband was right and these were **very special guests. They made her afraid.**

### ✓ Dinner Table Discussion:

If God were going to make a miraculous promise to you like he did to Abraham and Sarah, what would you like it to be and why?

We often get cynical or doubtful about what God can do, like Sarah did. How can we prevent ourselves from doubting God's abilities? What are some things we can do to preserve our faith so that we are strong when trouble comes?

### Scripture Notes (tuck in lunchboxes, tape to mirrors, etc.):



*By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going.*

**Hebrews 11:8**



*And the scripture was fulfilled that says, "Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness," and he was called God's friend.*

**James 2:23**



*And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.*

**Hebrews 11:6**

# ABRAHAM

## AT-A-GLANCE



### CHILDHOOD:

- Abraham's family was from Ur, a very influential city in Mesopotamia.
- His father, Terah, took the family north to Harran, which is where God spoke to him about moving to Canaan to become a great nation.



### MARRIED: SARAH

- Abraham married Sarah, who gave birth to his famous son Isaac.
- He also had another child, Ishmael, with Sarah's servant Hagar. It is believed that Ishmael's descendants became the people of Islam, while Isaac's descendants became the people of Israel.
- Abraham also married Keturah, and had several children with her. But he left his entire estate to Isaac.

Birth of Jesus

Birth: Approx. 2166 BC

2000's AD

Death: Approx. 1991 BC

## CLAIMS TO FAME:

- 1 Abraham became father of Isaac, even though his wife was 90 and he was 100.
- 2 Abraham obeyed God when asked to sacrifice his son Isaac, only to have God intervene and provide a ram as a substitute.

## FAMOUS QUOTES:

"Abraham believed God and it was credited to him as righteousness." *Romans 4:3*

"Now then that it is those of faith who are the sons of Abraham. And the Scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, preached the gospel beforehand to Abraham, saying, 'In you shall all the nations be blessed.' So then, those who are of faith are blessed along with Abraham, the man of faith." *Galatians 3:7-9*



**Bible Lookups:** James 2:23, Genesis 12, Hebrews 11:8

**Lookup:** James 2:23, and write it down:

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The above scriptures were written around 2,000 years after Abraham believed that he would have Isaac and become a father of many nations. New Testament writers were still saying very nice things about him. What were the most important things said about Abraham?

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Create a prayer below. Speak to God and write it. Ask God what you would have to do to be called his friend (which is superior to being his child).

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# ABRAHAM AND ISAAC QUIZ



Learn more about Father Abraham's whole life as you look up the passages and finish this quiz. He was known as a friend to God and had many great adventures while earning that title.

## CIRCLE YOUR ANSWER

**1. Abraham's name before God changed it was (Genesis 11:31)**

- a. Sarai
- b. Abram
- c. Canaan
- d. Haran

**2. Who went with Abraham to the land he would inherit? (Genesis 12:5)**

- a. His wife & nephew
- b. His nephew & sons
- c. The angel Gabriel

**3. What lie did Abram tell in Egypt according to Genesis 12:11-13?**

- a. Lot was dead
- b. Sarai was his sister
- c. All the cattle would die

**4. After splitting up, Abraham lived in Canaan; Lot lived near (Genesis 13:11-12)**

- a. Cities of the plain
- b. Jordan
- c. Sodom
- d. all three

**5. Sarah's servant Hagar had Abraham's first son because (Genesis 16:1-2)**

- a. Sarah thought she couldn't have kids
- b. she told Abraham to
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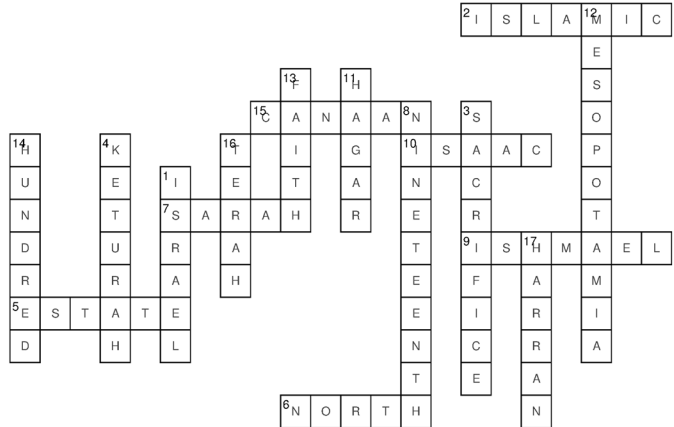
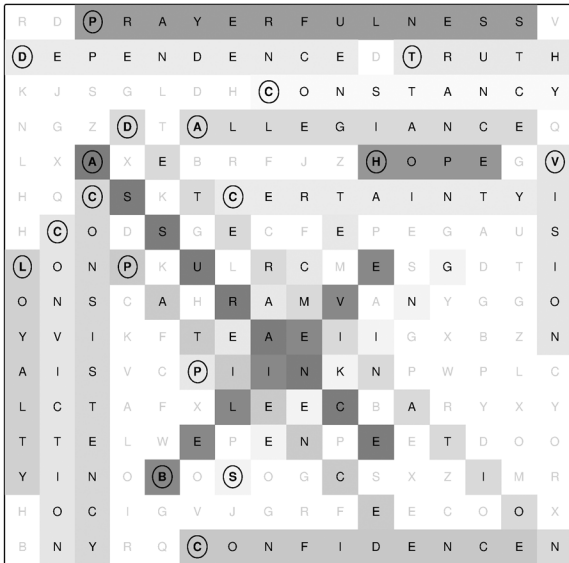
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- b. 100
- c. 60
- d. 105

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An illustration of two men, Abraham and Isaac, sleeping on logs in a forest. Abraham is on the left, wearing a green tunic and a brown hat. Isaac is on the right, wearing a blue tunic and a white beard. The background features stylized blue and green trees and a teal sky. The text 'ABRAHAM AND ISAAC' is written in a large, bold, white font with a yellow outline, set against a dark brown oval background.

# ABRAHAM AND ISAAC

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_